



# Islamic School of Irving

*Today's Learners Tomorrow's Leaders*



# Welcome to Pre-k 4 2021-2022 School Year

## ISI VISION

To be the Islamic school of choice in North Texas weaving academic excellence with highest morals and ethics.

## MISSION

To provide our children an environment which will enable them to achieve their highest potential, founded on Islamic morals, scholastic excellence, and good citizenship.

**Dear Students and Families,**

Assalamo Alaikum,

Dear Parents:

Welcome to Pre-k 4! I would like to extend to you and your child my warmest welcome. I am excited about the opportunity to get to know you, and I am looking forward to a happy and productive school year, Inshallah.

My name is Farzana Iqbal and I will be your child's teacher this year. This will be my 15<sup>th</sup> year working at ISI as an educator. I graduated with a degree in Arts and Education. I have been trained in CPR First aid, classroom management, lesson planning, and various other skills related to the field of early childhood development.

As your child's teacher I put a great emphasis on providing a safe and engaging learning experience, encouraging the children to explore and develop their cognitive, language, social, intellectual, and motor skills; while having "fun" in a structured, nurturing Islamic environment.

I am looking forward to another fun-filled and educational year!

JazakAllah hu Khairun,  
Farzana Iqbal

### **Curriculum areas we will focus on this year include.**

#### **Language Arts:**

- Reading readiness
- Sound and letter recognition/association
- Forming letters and writing own name
- Developing listening and comprehension skills
- Vocabulary

#### **Motor Skills:**

- Holding writing instrument correctly
- Paint with a small brush
- Complete puzzles to promote problem-solving
- Beads to develop hand-eye-coordination
- Blocks to develop concentration and creativity

#### **Social-Emotional Development:**

- Develop a sense of self-esteem
- Develop a sense of self-control
- Develop a sense of responsibility
- Knows full name participate in conversations
- Recognizes authority and their role
- Shares with others
- Ability to work independently
- Knows parents' names

#### **Math:**

- Route count 1-30

- Identify numerals from 1-10
- Group from 1-10
- Sort by, color, shape, size
- Identify primary and secondary colors
- Identify 8 basic shapes and their attributes
- Position and direction
- Opposites
- Pre-K math vocabulary

### **Social Studies:**

- Individual, culture, and community
- Identify and discuss the purpose for school rules
- Identify common events and routines
- Identify common features in the home and school environment
- Recognize changes in the environment over time
- Identify and discuss the roles, responsibilities, and services provided by community workers
- Identify and discuss jobs at home
- Identify and discuss the purpose of a map and globe

### **Science:**

- Identify similarities and differences among objects
- Identify, compare, discuss earth materials, and their properties and uses
- Observe changes in size, color, position, temperature, and sound
  - Recognize, observe and discuss the relationship of organisms to their environments
- Perform simple investigations, describe observations, and predict outcomes
- Living and nonliving things
- Describe life cycles of organisms

**Students are asked to bring the following supplies to school on the first day of school: <https://islamicschoolofirving.org/school-supplies/>**

### **Homework:**

There will be no homework for Pre-K students. Please read to them every day to develop a love for reading and promote reading comprehension.

### **My grading policy is:**

Students will be graded on their class participation & social interaction, formal and informal assessments.

### **Our grading scale:**

P: Proficient

SD: Still Developing

NI: Need Improvement

NE: Not Evaluated

### **Classroom policies and procedures,**

#### **Classroom Expectations:**

- Please bring students on time.
- Initial/sign the “daily folder “daily.
- Please make sure students come dressed in uniform daily unless otherwise informed.
- Please sign students in/out of the classroom every day.

#### **Arrival and dismissal:**

Students drop off time 7:30 A.M- 7:45 A.M.

Students pick up time 3:15 P.M

Friday dismissal : 12:30 P.M.

**Important:** Please inform the office or the teacher if **someone else** other than the parent/guardian or the listed person in our list will be picking up your child.

#### **Daily folder:**

The daily folder is used all the year. This folder includes a monthly calendar and your child’s work. This folder will be used as a primary communication tool between the parents and teachers. If any concern or issue arises about your child, we will make a note of it. The folders will be sent home daily with your child and are required to be signed by the parents and returned the next day Insha’Allah.

### **Snack/Lunch policy:**

Lunch and snacks are to be provided daily by the parents. We encourage you to send a healthy nutritional lunch/ snacks for your child. Parents may not bring lunch boxes to the class. Please drop them off at the ISI Office.

### **Water bottles:**

your child **must** bring a water bottle every day. Please have their name written on it. Also please make sure it is not a **screw-off cap** as water may spill on papers/books (spillproof)

### **Change of clothes:**

Please label and provide a change of clothing for your child to be kept in the class. We understand that although our 4-years old is beginning to go to the bathroom independently, accidents do occur.

### **Blanket:**

Kindly send a **small** blanket to be kept in the classroom for your child during naptime. Be aware that their drawers are small and therefore a big blanket will not fit.

### **Potty Trained:**

As a requirement to be enrolled in Pre-k, every child must be potty trained. There are no diapers or pull-ups allowed. The child must be wearing regular underwear and able to display bathroom skills with minimal assistance.

### **Safety Expectations:**

No visitors are allowed without main office check-in. Parents are NOT allowed to come to the classroom and drop off items throughout the day without office check-in. The classroom door is to remain locked while class is in session.

- Please make sure you stand in front of the peek hole, so we can identify who is dropping/picking up your child. Teachers will not open the door if they do not see you through the peek hole.

### **Sick child policy:**

Please keep your child at home if they are not well.

**A child must be at least 24 hours fever-free before attending school.** This means without fever medicine. We want to ensure the health and safety of our children by minimizing exposure to any kind of illness.

### **Administering Medication:**

- Only medication that cannot be scheduled for non-school hours may be given at school.
- All prescription medications must be in an original container with that student's name on the container (we cannot accept medicine in baggies, envelopes, etc).
- Prescription medication instructions cannot be altered from what is listed on the container
- All medications must be accompanied by a written request from the doctor or parent/guardian with explicit instructions to administer medication.
- All medicine must be brought to the office.
- Any student found with unauthorized medication will have it confiscated and the school will notify the parents.

### **Weekly Lesson Plans:**

Weekly lesson plans will be posted in Renweb by Monday to keep you updated on the concepts taught in the class. If you have any questions about Renweb, please contact the office in the main building.

### **Weekly Fun Activity Assignments:**

Every Friday we will have "Show and Tell" and take a trip to the Masjid to give Sadaqa. The kids will be encouraged to bring some change from home throughout the week to give Sadaqah on Friday, InshAllah.

### **Special classroom events planned for the year include,**

Field Trips, Eid party, End of the year party, Firefighter visit, dentist visit.  
(Tentative)

**Please make sure to check your emails for announcements about important events to be held during the school year.**

**Please mark those dates on your calendar. Studies show that parental involvement in a child's education is one of the strongest indicators of student**

**success. We hope you will make it a priority this year to attend as many school-sponsored events as possible.**

**If you have any questions or concerns or if you would like to visit our classroom, schedule a conference, or volunteer to help out, you can contact me at [farzana.iqbal@islamicschoolofirving.org](mailto:farzana.iqbal@islamicschoolofirving.org). You may also reach me through Class Dojo. The best time to reach me is during my break time.**

**Once again, welcome to Pre-k 4 Let's work together to make this the best year ever!**

**May Allah bless our time together,**

**Teacher: Farzana Iqbal**