



# Islamic School Of Irving

## SCHOOL - W I D E GOALS



### ▶ Our VISION

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

### ▶ Our MISSION

To develop committed lifelong-learning Muslims with strong character and spirituality, who are contributing citizens and community leaders.

### ▶ Our GOALS

We strive to raise our students to be:

- 1 Committed Balanced Muslims
- 2 Knowledgeable scholars
- 3 Contributing citizens and community builders

### ▶ Our PRIORITIES

- 1 Emphasis on Faith (Imaan)
- 2 Emphasis on Prayer (Salah)
- 3 Emphasis on Character (Akhlaaq)

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## Academic Skills

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### Knowledgeable Scholars

The bulk of this goal will be based on the six school-wide goals for student learning developed by the National Study of School Evaluation (NSSE), which were developed in cooperation with the Alliance for Curriculum Reform (ACR). These goals are illustrated in more details in the NSSE book, "Indicators of Schools of Quality."

#### Indicators

- 1 **Learning -to-learn Skills**
  - a. Students make a commitment to creating quality work and striving for excellence.
  - b. Students use a variety of learning strategies, personal skills, and time management skills to enhance learning.
  - c. Students reflect on and evaluate their learning for the purpose of improvement.
- 2 **Expanding and Integrating Knowledge**
  - a. Students connect knowledge and experience from different subject areas.
  - b. Students use what they already know to acquire new knowledge, develop new skills, and expand understanding.
  - c. Students demonstrate integrated knowledge and skills in applying multidisciplinary approaches to solving problems or completing tasks.
- 3 **Communication Skills**
  - a. Students communicate with clarity, purpose and understanding of audience.
  - b. Students integrate the use of a variety of communication forms and use a wide range of communication skills.
  - c. Students recognize, analyze and evaluate various forms of communication.
- 4 **Thinking and Reasoning Skills (Critical Thinking, Problem-Solving, and Creative Thinking)**
  - a. Students gather and use information effectively to gain new information and knowledge, classify and organize information, support inferences and justify conclusions appropriate to the context and audience.
  - b. Students utilize, evaluate and refine the use of multiple strategies to solve a variety of types of problems.
  - c. Students generate new and creative ideas by taking considered risks in a variety of contexts.
- 5 **Interpersonal Skills**
  - a. Students work with others in a variety of situations to set and achieve goals.
  - b. Students manage and evaluate their behavior as group members.
  - c. Students deal with disagreement and conflict caused by diversity of opinions and beliefs.
- 6 **Essential Knowledge and Skills**
  - a. Students pass school tests successfully.
  - b. Students finish their homework assignments and projects regularly.
  - c. Students pass state and federal tests successfully.



## Social Skills

## GOAL



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## Contributing Citizens and Community Builders

## Indicators



### Philosophy

- a. Students have built a philosophy of helping others based on Quran and Teachings of Prophet Mohammed, peace be upon him.
- b. Students respect themselves and others, and understand and appreciate the diversity and interdependence of all people.
- c. Students demonstrate an understanding of and responsibility for global and environmental issues.



### Community Projects

- a. Students act as responsible citizens in the community, state and nation and show full respect to law.
- b. Students follow through and demonstrate the ability to carry out community volunteer services within the city of Irving, Texas in cooperation with other non-Muslims.
- c. Students follow through and demonstrate the ability to carry out community volunteer services within ICI/ISI.



### Leadership

- a. Students develop self-confidence by learning to make good and sound decisions for themselves.
- b. Students understand the importance of mastering good listening skills when leading others and they use these skills during interaction with others.
- c. Students understand the importance of negotiation and persuasion skills when working with others and use these skills during interaction with others.
- d. Students are engaged in activities that prepare them to be the future leaders of their community.



### Social Skills

- a. Students demonstrate good social skills such as rules of shaking hands, smiling at others, engaging in conversation, etc.
- b. Students show full respect to themselves and adults when they are present in public places.
- c. Students demonstrate the ability to have open and honest communications with non-Muslims.
- d. Students create projects in cooperation with non-Muslims to help others.