



# **Al Rawabi Middle and High School**

## **IGCSE**

### **ADMISSION AND CONTINUITY POLICY**

*This policy shall be shared with all stakeholders at the beginning of the school year and reviewed every year.*

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### **Grade 9-IGCSE**

- Al Rawabi Middle and High School applicants for Grade 9 **MUST** obtain a minimum score of 90 and above in the final Grade 8 examinations in the following subjects: English Language, Mathematics, and Arabic, in addition to **strong recommendations from their Grade 8 teachers.**
- Applicants enrolling from other schools **MUST** score at least 25 out of 35 in the school admission test. This test consists of three components: English as a Second Language, Mathematics, and Arabic. **Additionally, approval for admission is conditional upon a successful interview with the IGCSE Coordinator.**
- In both cases above, students who wish to take Science subjects will be required to sit for a second admission test based on Checkpoint past paper questions. A minimum score of 15 out of 20 is required. Students who do not meet this requirement will be advised to select from the following options: Business, Economics, Visual Arts, or Environmental Management.
- A deposit of BD 225 must be paid at the time of registration as a pledge of commitment to the program. This amount will be used in Grade 10 as part of the registration fee for the Cambridge IGCSE examination. No additional fee is charged specifically for enrolment into the IGCSE program.

### **Grade 10-IGCSE**

- Promotion from Grade 9 IGCSE to Grade 10 IGCSE for Al Rawabi Middle and High School students will be based on academic performance in Grade 9 overall exam (a minimum of Grade B in all subjects) and **strong recommendations from IGCSE teachers.**
- Applicants enrolling from other schools must score at least 25 out of 30 in the IGCSE placement test. The test consists of two parts: Part A covers English as a Second Language, Mathematics, and Arabic. Part B includes one option from each group: Biology/Computer Science, Physics/Economics, and Chemistry/Business/Visual Arts. These are designed from the Grade 9 IGCSE scheme of work using Extended-level past IGCSE questions. An interview with the IGCSE Coordinator is also mandatory.

### **OTHER IMPORTANT POINTS TO NOTE**

- Newly admitted students must present documented syllabus coverage from their previous schools. In cases where there are gaps, a clear catch-up plan must be provided. Responsibility for catching up rests with the students and parents.
- Seventh period and Saturday classes are mandatory for all Grade 9 and Grade 10 students from the beginning of the academic year.
- The final examinations in the Al Rawabi IGCSE program are cumulative and cover content from Chapter 1 of each syllabus.
- Students and parents are required to read and fully understand the curve-up system as outlined in the school's assessment policy for the coming academic year (this is mentioned in the current assessment policy available on the school website).

### **REGISTRATION FOR THE IGCSE BOARD EXAMS**

IGCSE students may only be registered as candidates for a syllabus in the official IGCSE board examinations if they demonstrate strong conceptual understanding through consistent performance in monthly tests and pre-mock examinations. Students who underperform in the Grade 10 IGCSE pre-mock exams will be advised to register for the board examinations privately through the British Council.

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