



GEMS

أكاديمية جيمس دبي الأمريكية

Dubai American
Academy

22

YEAR
HISTORY

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FUTURE FLUENCIES
EMBEDDED IN THE
PROGRAM

1ST

OF ITS KIND
CENTER OF EXCELLENCE
IN AI & ROBOTICS

217

GRADUATES
IN
CLASS OF 2020

99%

IB PASS RATE

Enrolling Now
KG 1 to Grade 12



EDUCATION



Distinguished School

ABOUT US

MISSION

Dubai American Academy is a vibrant international community, deeply rooted in a culture of kindness, that creates and empowers leaders and independent thinkers with integrity, character, and drive.



IDENTITY STATEMENT

Dubai American Academy offers an enriched American curriculum to students of all nationalities culminating in the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program and/or an American high school diploma. Beyond its rigorous academic program, DAA prepares students to lead successful lives through the exceptional diversity of its community and the extra-curricular experiences that contribute to the development of the whole person.

Dubai American Academy has a culture of kindness and academic vigor that permeates our school. Our learning community is both a challenging and supportive environment that helps to create lifelong learners ready for a diverse and changing world.

OUR HISTORY

22 YEARS OF ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

From our humble beginnings as we opened our doors in 1998 with 21 students, to our current student cohort of 2700, Dubai American Academy has always been relentlessly committed to improving and delivering academic excellence to our international student community.

With over 109 nationalities and counting, we are proud of our ability to ensure a rich and meaningful learning experience for all students.



DAA is proud to be recognized as the only American School to be rated Outstanding by the KHDA since 2011. This is a testament to our exceptional students, teachers and parent community. **[Read the full KHDA inspection report here.](#)**



With the onset of COVID19 in 2020, as we temporarily transitioned to distance learning we continued to receive the highest possible rating for the provision of our distance learning program.

CAMPUS LIFE



We moved to our new campus in 2017, located centrally in the heart of Dubai. Our world-class infrastructure provides the ideal learning environment for students.

Beyond the academic classroom, there are full provisions for athletics, with indoor and outdoor running tracks, multiple sports halls, an olympic-sized swimming pool, soccer pitches, baseball diamond as well as tennis courts and a golf simulator.



Our visual and dramatic arts facilities including black-box theaters and 656 seat performance theater, provide the ultimate venue to showcase our student talent.

For more information on our cutting-edge learning spaces, explore our [**"Campus Facilities"**](#) page or watch our [**Virtual Tour.**](#)



CENTER OF EXCELLENCE IN AI & ROBOTICS



Preparing students for the future means having them engaged in technology through hands-on activities.

Our Center of Excellence helps to promote educational and research activities in the field of AI and Robotics.

It bridges the gap between industry and education with a distinctive capability to harness the intellectual energy of the academic world with state-of-the-art AI and robotics technologies.



FUTURE-FLUENT CURRICULUM

Learning at Dubai American Academy is an innovative, transparent and collaborative experience. Students drive lessons through their curiosity, agency and choice, promoting engaging lessons that require critical thinking, risk taking and reflection.

The integration of future fluencies, cutting-edge robotics and exponential technologies across a socially-responsible, interdisciplinary curriculum guides our revolutionary and personalized approach.

These Future-focused learning experiences will empower and enable our students to become the next generation of innovators, entrepreneurs and leaders capable of challenging, influencing and sustaining the world they will inherit.



SOLUTION
FLUENCY



INFORMATION
FLUENCY



CREATIVE
FLUENCY



MEDIA
FLUENCY



COLLABORATION
FLUENCY



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

 **LEARNING JOURNEY**

iNQUIRY



Through an **iNQUIRY**-based, process driven learning experience grounded in the Future Fluencies, our students' learning experiences are relevant, meaningful and authentic.

Apple Distinguished Schools are centers of innovation, leadership and educational excellence that use Apple technology to inspire creativity, collaboration and critical thinking.

We are proud to have received official recognition as an Apple Distinguished School in Elementary from 2019 to 2022.

iNNOVATION



iNNOVATION at DAA is a mindset and our ED-Tech allows us to fully engage our students in the joy of being future focussed.

iNTEGRITY



Through positive reinforcement, explicit expectations and logical consequences we foster **iNTEGRITY** in our students.



The one to one iPad system in the Elementary School provides all students with innovative opportunities to learn, create and present lessons. In addition, all students are engaged in 'Everyone Can Code' lessons on a regular basis, so that technology is used not only as a tool for learning and presentation, but also for creation and application. We believe in the power of iPad to transform teaching and learning and preparing our students to be Future-Fluent.

Explore the [**"Elementary Curriculum"**](#) page on our website to find out more.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

LEARNING JOURNEY



Our Middle School learning program is designed to meet the developmental needs of young adolescents by offering a holistic program which encourages independence, collaboration and responsibility.

The Middle School academic program aims to promote a culture of kindness within a structure in which learning is personalized.

Our Middle School Program ensures the following characteristics are at the heart of all learning experiences:

Developmentally Responsive: Using the distinctive nature of young adolescents as the foundation upon which all decisions about school organization, policies, curriculum, instruction and assessment are made.

Challenging: Ensuring that every student learns and every member of the learning community is held to high expectations.

Empowering: Providing all students with the knowledge and skills they need to take responsibility for their lives, to address life's challenges, to function successfully at all levels of society, and to be creators of knowledge.

Equitable: Advocating for and ensuring every student's right to learn and providing appropriately challenging and relevant learning opportunities for every student.



Explore the "[Middle School Curriculum](#)" page on our website to find out more.

HIGH SCHOOL

LEARNING JOURNEY

Cultivating a High Quality Learning Environment



Instructional objectives are clearly defined in all subject areas, but academic expectations are flexible enough to both support and challenge each individual learner.



DAA has a long history of helping students to achieve excellent IB results. From our very first year of offering the IB Diploma program, DAA's students have scored significantly above the world averages in both individual subjects and overall results.

In order to cultivate a high quality learning environment, we embrace the aspects of the IB learner profile and remain open-minded to new realities, while embracing innovation and technology.

The High School curriculum is an academically challenging pre-university program with an American school curriculum focus in grades 9 and 10. In grade 11 and 12 we provide students the option of enrolling in the full International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma, IB Certificate courses, and Advanced Placement (AP) classes. Students are also encouraged to participate in co-curricular activities to supplement their academic program.

USEFUL RESOURCES

- [WHAT IS IB](#)
- [WHAT IS AP](#)
- [HIGH SCHOOL COURSE REGISTRATION](#)
- [HIGH SCHOOL COURSE OFFERINGS](#)
- [IBDP V. AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL](#)

[DIPLOMA FAQS](#)

Explore our "[High School Profile](#)" and [High School Curriculum](#) page to find out more.

BEYOND ACADEMICS

ATHLETICS , ARTS & LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

ALL-ROUND DEVELOPMENT OF STUDENTS



GEMS Dubai American Academy provides a rich extra-curricular program that supports students' all-round development. Students are encouraged to develop talents and explore new interests. Activities include both individual pursuits and team building activities.

In addition to physical development and the exploration of interests, students learn the thrill of challenge and competition, the importance of concentration, the spirit of teamwork and a sense of accomplishment.

LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Students have many opportunities to develop their leadership skills across all grade levels. Ambassadors, Student Council members and the Innovation Team of students welcome new members to our community, take part in sustainability initiatives and share their knowledge through coding labs and workshops.

There are many leadership opportunities in the High School with student-led clubs and activities as part of CAS such as Model United Nations, TEDx and various student organizations.

- [EXPLORE CAS \(CREATIVITY-ACTIVITY-SERVICE\)](#)
- [ARTS, MUSIC & THEATRE](#)

Lists of Programs

- [ATHLETICS](#)
- [INTERNAL AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES](#)
- [EXTERNAL AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES](#)



STUDENT SUCCESS

OUR STUDENTS HAVE
OUTPERFORMED THE
WORLD IB AVERAGE!



The Class of 2020 cohort was DAA's largest ever graduating class with 201 (93%) out of the 217 students taking IB classes, of which 158 were full DP students.

With an impressive **99% pass rate** and 18 students achieving 40+ points, our community has much to be proud of.

We have one of the largest cohorts of IB graduates in the Middle East. In 2020, 7.2% of all 2020 IB Diploma students in the UAE were from DAA.

Students continue their education in several countries, with the largest percentage going to the United States, followed by Canada, the United Kingdom, Europe and Asia.



Students have been accepted to some of the most prestigious universities around the world. A few of our 2020 university acceptances included:

Princeton University

Columbia

UCLA

NYU

Purdue

Penn State

Georgetown University

Geneva Business School,

Switzerland

Johns Hopkins University



Explore our [**"DAA Alumni Stories"**](#) page on our website to find out more.

APPLY ONLINE

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR

Click [Apply Now](#) to begin.

If you require a place immediately, please contact our Admissions Team at registrar_daa@gemsedu.com or +971 4 704 9777



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Tuition Fees

2020-2021 FEES (AED)

KG 1 - KG 2: AED 61,190

GR 1 - GR 12: AED 86,260

Sibling Discount: 25% discount (for the fourth child) and 50% discount (for the fifth child).

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to begin your child's journey!

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