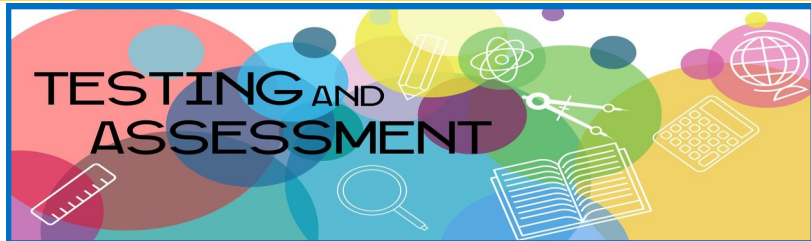


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What tests do IScGKC students take?

Our students take the following tests:

NWEA MAP tests for Kindergarteners-10th graders (Fall & Spring tests)

End-of-Course tests for 8th-10th graders (Spring tests)

What is a NWEA MAP test?

NWEA MAP Growth is a nationally normed, standardized achievement test which measures what students know and informs what they're ready to learn next by using a computer adaptive test that adjusts to the ability and knowledge of the student.

What is a gifted MAP score?

The gifted identification process is lengthy and can vary from student to student. It takes the entire school year to complete sometimes and may even lead into the next school year. The process begins with a qualifying Fall MAP score of **90% or higher**.

How did IScGKC students do on NWEA MAP test scores?

Our students did very well in the MAP tests. We are seeing a big improvement from the last couple of years in all grades. Your child's test scores were sent out this month with them. Please check their backpacks.

What is an End-of-Course test?

End of Course (EOC) Assessment means a statewide general assessment administered to high school students at the completion of select high school courses to measure student achievement of the content standards for the content area. We test with Algebra I, Algebra II, English I, English II, Biology, Physical Science and Personal Finance.

Do other educational institutions use these test scores for acceptance into their programs?

Yes, some educational institutions look at the EOC test scores for acceptance into their institution or college, especially for Algebra I. Some institutions or colleges even offer scholarships based on the student's scores.

How did IScGKC students do on End-of-Course test scores?

The official scores will not be available until August sometime, but we did receive the raw scores, and they are very good. We have many in the Advanced and Proficient level categories. Last year the majority of our students scored in the Proficient level in both Algebra I and English I & II. We are very proud of all of our students.



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VISION

Striving to be a premier Islamic progressive and scientific learning Institution.

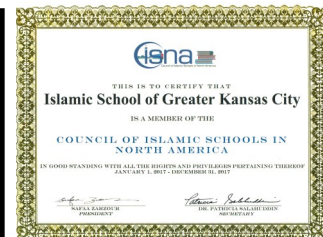
MISSION

To provide a nurturing environment where students aspire for excellence in education, integrity and leadership skills to better serve humanity.

GOALS

Dedicated to produce Committed Balanced Muslims, Knowledgeable Scholars, Contributing Citizens and Community Builders.

IScGKC Accreditation



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2023-2024 Enrollment Status

Our enrollment count for next year has greatly increased. We have over **100** new students who have enrolled in all grade levels. **We are currently seeking more teachers for elementary, an upper grade-level Math teacher, and an Arabic Preschool teacher. Send *resume* to shamouda@iscgkc.org.**



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FACULTY UPDATES



APRIL FACULTY UPDATES

* Principal, Saba Hamouda, and Assistant Principal, Farzana Jabeen have been coordinating with Dr. Dan Lumley, an Independent Education Management Professional, to come and evaluate them. Dr. Lumley will be evaluating them on seven competencies:

- Possesses & Communicates a Vision of the School's Mission
- Demonstrates a Working Knowledge of the School Curriculum & the Instructional Program
- Supervises the Teaching Process & Monitors Student Progress
- Promotes a Positive School Climate & Interpersonal Relationships Among Students, Community, & Staff Members
- Improves Professionally & Provides Staff with Professional Development Opportunities
- Maintains a Positive and Productive Working Relationship with the Board of Education

He will also be collecting input from our teachers in his review.

MAY FACULTY UPDATES

- * Teachers and staff have been given their end-of-year evaluations and self-improvement plans.
- * Teachers and staff have also been given their contracts to sign if they are returning for the next school year.

Teach
Love
Inspire

" Good teaching is more a giving of right questions than a giving of right answers. "

Accreditation Renewal

IScGKC will be working on our accreditation renewals during this year and the next school year. The renewal will be for both COGNIA and CISNA.

COGNIA is the national accreditation organization and CISNA is the Islamic accreditation. CISNA will be the organization that gives us our review.

We will be asking our students, parents, alumni, and all stakeholders for your assistance in meeting some of the requirements for our school. We will start during Ramadan by asking parents to take a survey. It will soon be available on our school website, www.iscgkc.org.

We thank you in advance for your help.



End-of-Course Testing



Students worked hard taking their Algebra I End-of-Course test. The EOC tests were given the week of May 8, 2023.

We have received the raw test scores, and we are now waiting for the official, final test scores which are to be sent in August.

As we converted the raw test scores for the students, the results were very promising. We had many students with scores in the **Proficient and Advanced level for Algebra I**. Because students who want to participate in the state A+ Program must be in these two levels, many of our students will now be eligible.

Other subject area tests are also looking very good as we convert their raw test scores into their appropriate performance level.

Students have taken English I (9th Graders), English II (10th Graders), Algebra I (8th, 9th, 10th Graders), Algebra II (9th, 10th Graders), and Physical Science (8th Graders).

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Preschool & Kindergarten Graduation

May 11, 2023

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ALLAH'S Revelation



Preschool & Kindergarten Students



Preschool & Kindergarten Students



Student Awards



Student Performances

Appreciating Teachers

Principal Saba Hamouda
KG Teacher Nisha Shuaib



Principal Saba Hamouda
KG Assistant
Sheereen Madala



Office Administrator
Maryam Haggins

Principal Saba Hamouda
PK Teacher
Hamnah Akhtar



Office Administrator
Maryam Haggins

PK Assistant
Roula Kowatli



Office Administrator
Maryam Haggins

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Elementary Awards Event

May 12, 2023

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Middle & High School Awards Event

May 19, 2023

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Student of the Year - Widad Del Pozo



Principal
Saba Hamouda



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2023 Senior High School Graduation

May 20, 2023

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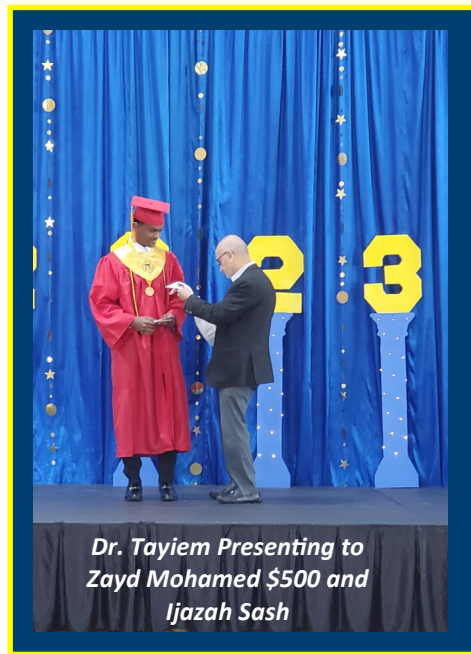
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Zayd Mohamed
2023 Graduate & Ijazah Award



Dr. Tayiem Presenting to Zayd Mohamed \$500 and Ijazah Sash



Dr. Ghulam Chaudhry
School Board President & Chair



2023 Senior Graduates



2023 Senior Graduates



Jasmine Mohamed

Alumni Speaker



Jaime Banyamarjeh

Master Of Ceremonies



Hafssa Ouazzani

2023 Senior Graduate

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

IMPORTANT DATES:

April 3	1st Day for Early Registration
April 3-14	MAP Test (K-10th)
April 7	Science Fair Union Station (4th-10th)
April 20	Mid Fourth Quarter (24 Days)
April 21-25	Eid Al-Fitr (No School)
April 28	Mid Quarter Grades Due
	Early Registration Ends
May 8	End of Course Test (8th-12th)
May 11	Prek-K Graduation
May 12	1st-5th Awards Day
May 19	6th-10th Awards Day
May 20	12th Grade Graduation
May 26	Half Day/Semester Ends/Last Day (47 Days)
May 29	Memorial Day (No School)
May 30	Semester Grades Due

School Announcements

Just a reminder, we will be making the latest school announcements via these methods:

- Orbund Text Messages
- Orbund Announcements
- Voice Messages
- Email Messages
- www.iscgkc.org (School Website)



If you need to reach the administration office, please email us as follows:

- admin@iscgkc.org - Diane Ghosheh, Technical Coordinator
- schooladmin@iscgkc.org - Maryam Haggins, School Administrator
- shamouda@iscgkc.org - Saba Hamouda, Principal
- fjabeen@iscgkc.org - Farzana Jabeen, Vice Principal

We are working at hard to keep the school running efficiently. If you need to reach us immediately, please leave a voice message. We are promptly answering all voicemails and emails.

When at home, take care of your families and be safe. Thank you for your cooperation!

SUMMER BREAK



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Online Payments

Online Payments can be made for school fees, lunches, registrations, yearbooks, etc., on our school website:

www.iscgkc.org

Just select the Payments and choose your selection from the buttons provided. **Thank you.**

Reporting Child Sick Days

Please remember to report first thing in the morning if your child is sick and will not be attending school that day. **Also, please do not send sick children to school.**

Just notify the office by 8:30 a.m., so that we can mark it as an excused absence, not in the afternoon or the next day. Thank you.

"IF YOU GIVE THANKS, I WILL GIVE YOUR MORE."

Quran 14:7

4th QUARTER Ends on May 26, 2023

Our 4th Quarter ended on May 26, 2023,, completing another 47 days of school. Please make sure you child has all of their homework turned in so that it can be graded before the teachers submit their grades.

This has been a great year and encourage your child to keep up the good work! We look forward to seeing everyone next year! Have a wonderful summer.



Hadith on Plague: Avoid the plague but do not spread it either.

The Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, said, "If you hear of a plague in a land, then do not go into it. If it happens in land where you are, then do not go out of it."

SAY YOUR DUA'A AND WASH YOUR HANDS.