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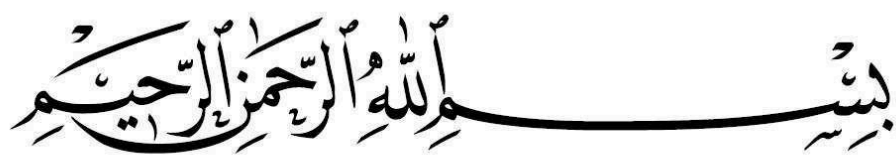
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In the Name of Allāh, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful

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So exalted is Allah, the True Sovereign. Do not hasten with the Quran before its revelation is completed for you, and say, 'My Lord! Increase me in knowledge.'

- Quran 20:114

Mission

Yaseen Ed Foundation strives to create a Sunday School that holds a special place in the lives of our parents and students. Given that we have limited time together, our goal is to prioritize foundational elements of Islamic belief, practice, and identity.

1) We want to instill love for Islam in students.

- a) Islam is not just a set of rules or stories of the past. We want them to love it as the superior way of life
- b) By extension, we also strive to develop a sense of love for the masjid

2) We want to instill a sense of purpose in the life of our students.

- a) This is a key differentiator from secular schools. Most schools train students in skills and provide information, but do not give them purpose.
- b) Islam provides mankind purpose and guidance. It informs us of where we come from, why we are here, and where we are going.

3) We want to develop critical thinking skills to combat the challenges faced in modern secular society.

- a) Young adults typically face the first major challenges to their beliefs and lifestyle while in high school or college.

4) We want to be a place where they make friends with other Muslim peers.

- a) Because of where we live and the schools that we attend, there is limited opportunity to develop friendships with other Muslims.

5) Ultimately, we want to prepare students to submit to the Wilayah of the Imam (a.t.f.s.) when he returns.

Structure & Format

The Sunday School will meet weekly from 10:30am-2:00pm at Esperanza High School, 1891 Kellogg Dr, Anaheim, CA 92807. The school will incorporate a Co-op model to support the day to day operations of the school.

School Tuition

The tuition amounts are outlined below. These help cover our expenses such as rent, school equipment, workbooks, and gifts for teachers and students. Financial assistance is available for those unable to afford this tuition. This can be paid in multiple installments if desired.

1 Student	\$325
2 Students	\$450
3+ Students	\$550

What is a Co-op?

Wali al-Asr Academy is a parent run cooperative where teachers and parents work in partnership with the director and teachers to manage both day-to-day and long-term operations. The parent co-op format encourages a great deal of interaction between the staff and parents as well as among parents. This interaction creates a strong, supportive school community, and greatly benefits both the child and families.

As a cooperative school, our teachers and parents will prepare the children for their future by providing an Islamic education in a warm and supportive learning environment.

Why the Co-op model?

We believe when parents are involved in the school, children benefit from the diverse and creative pool of talent among the families. Students grow up surrounded by an alliance of adults devoted to their growth and well-being, who in turn find themselves enriched by what the community has to offer our families. Parents build deep, long-lasting connections with other parents. Taking part in the collective effort of supporting the school and the children from kindergarten through high school is a profound experience for Wali al-Asr Academy families.

What is my Co-op Obligation?

Wali al-Asr Academy relies on the participation of all parents for its maintenance and functioning. We have an innovative parent choice program that allows each family to select where to invest their time and talents to best support the school and match their schedules. While we expect each household to sign up for our volunteer opportunities, we offer some flexibility in how each family meets these obligations.

Each family must commit to at least one Lunch Day during the school year. The details of each assignment are described in the sections below. In addition, we welcome suggestions from parents who would like to support the school in other capacities.

Parent Work Day

Parents will volunteer at the Sunday School from 11:30am - 2:15pm at least one Sunday throughout the school year. By staying at the school, parents will provide invaluable help with the weekly logistics. A typical day will consist of:

11:30am - 12:00pm	- Setup and prepare for lunch (plates, utensils, sofra)
12:00 - 1:15pm	- Serve Lunch - Clean-up - Monitor / Supervise students - Usher students for Wudhu - Prayer
2:00 - 2:15pm	- Final clean-up - Return all supplies

Lunch Program

- All families are expected to help provide lunch for the students at least one Sunday during the year (teachers exempted).
- Parents are also expected to setup, serve, and clean-up after lunch on their assigned day. This will fulfill the Work Day requirement.
- Parents will provide money for catering (\$300 per household in 2026).
- We have observed students express pride in this opportunity for their family to serve others.

- If you would like to sponsor on behalf of you Marhomeen, provide us the names and we will offer al-Fatiha between prayer.
- We strive to promote a healthy lifestyle for all of our students. Additionally, we are sensitive to student allergies and other parental preferences around diet and nutrition.
- We ask parents to focus on providing healthy options and not feel obligated to bring chips and cookies. We try to reserve the desserts for celebrations and special occasions.
- Students are expected to bring their water bottles. If drinks are provided, please bring juice boxes to minimize possibility of spills.
- Lunch will be ordered by the school; drinks, plates, cutlery, napkins are the responsibility of the parents. Additional snacks are optional.

Sample Meals

<u>Meals:</u>	<u>Snacks:</u>
- Meat & Rice - Pasta Dishes - Beef tacos - Chicken or beef rolls	- Carrot Sticks & Hummus - oranges, grapes, strawberries, watermelon - Granola Bars, seaweed snacks, etc.

Attendance

Getting your child to school on-time and ready to learn is a critical component of your parental involvement at Wali al-Asr Academy. Regular attendance in school is critical to your child's success. Our curriculum depends on your child being present in class to learn from his/her teacher and peers. The opening routines that occur in our classrooms in the first 15 minutes of the day set students up to learn throughout the day. School begins at 10:30a.m. with the assembly and we suggest that students arrive no later than 10:25 a.m.

- Children should be brought to school and picked up on time
- Since Quran is the first period, older students (9+) should do Wudu at home
- If your child is late >15 minutes from class, they will be asked to wait outside with the parent until the next period to minimize disturbances
- All students should use the restroom before coming to school. It is disruptive to request a restroom break within the beginning of class.
- Please bring proper supplies needed for the day (pen/pencil, notebook, water bottle, etc)

- Please refrain from sending ANY electronic devices with your children. This includes Smart Watches or similar devices.

We ask that all families try not to schedule events and other engagements that would conflict with school. In particular during the last few weeks, where students are preparing for exhibitions and presentations.

In the event of an absence, please message the school director and teacher through the WhatsApp group.

Pick-up & Drop-off policy

- Drop-off time is between 10:20am-10:30am
- Pick-up time is 2pm SHARP

Daily Schedule

10:30am	Arrival & Assembly
10:45am	Period 1 - Quran
11:30am	Period 2 - Islamic Studies
12:15pm	Prayer / Lunch / Recess*
1:15pm	Period 3 - Islamic Studies
2:00pm	Dismissal

*the order of Prayer & Lunch switch with Daylight Savings Time

- In order to not miss out on valuable instruction time, it is essential for parents to arrive no later than 10:30am.
- If your child is late >15 minutes from class, they will be asked to wait outside with the parent until the next period to minimize disturbances.
- In addition, parents who arrive after 2:15pm will make a \$100 donation to the school.

Supplies

	All students should bring the following to school each week - Steps To Perfection textbook and/or workbook - pen OR pencil - folder with loose leaf paper, binder, or notebook (optional)
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In order to limit waste and provide children with adequate hydration during school, all students should come to school with a reusable water bottle already filled at home. Please label it with the student's name.

Technology

Mobile phones and electronic devices

- Mobile phones, smart watches, and other electronic devices should be kept at home.
- Unauthorized use is grounds for confiscation of the device by school staff and teachers.
- If a parent needs to contact his/her child during school hours, they can contact the admin team or their teacher directly.

Dress Code

The clothing we wear is an important representation of our beliefs and values. All students, teachers, and parent volunteers are required to observe the following Islamic dress code based on the principle of modesty:

Everyone

- Clothing should be loose fitted. Skinny jeans and tight shirts are not allowed.
- Clothing containing inappropriate images or language is prohibited
- Socks are needed for the feet

Males

- Belts are required for loose pants/jeans
- Ages 9 and up should wear long pants, no shorts

Females

- Clothing should cover the entire body except the hands and face.
- Head cover should cover **all** hair
- Please refrain from using heavy make-up and nail polish
- Women are expected to wear long and loose clothing that does not emphasize the shape or contours of the body
- Clothing such as skinny jeans, yoga pants, leggings, ankle pants, etc. are not permitted.

Social Contract

Our weekly school sessions support families in raising children with Islamic beliefs, values, and culture, but they are not sufficient in isolation. A joint effort with parents is needed to ensure consistency between what is taught in school and what is practiced at home. This outline is intended to help you decide if Wali al Asr Academy is a good fit for your family.

- We have a family-centered approach to educating children and expect parents to be fully committed to working with Wali Al Asr Academy to raise children in a true Islamic manner. This includes attending occasional, mandatory Parenting Sessions with Hajj Kauthar throughout the school year and Parent-Teacher Meetings.
- Parents are expected to model positive Islamic behavior and spirituality so that children are brought up in a God-centered environment. We expect parents to practice their Islamic obligations and stay away from forbidden actions.
- Parents and children are expected to maintain appropriate relations with non-mahrams, including not shaking hands.
- Parents are expected to follow the dress code policy and observe physical and social Islamic hijab whenever coming into school.
- Parents are expected to learn about and implement positive discipline techniques at home, as used by the teaching staff and taught by the Leading Scholar. For the success of your child and our student communities, it is important that our home/school techniques mirror one another.
- Children are not allowed to use foul language, bullying phrases, or inappropriate words.

Student's Code of Conduct

The aim of this Code of Conduct is to foster an Islamic environment that is safe and conducive to learning based on Islamic teaching derived from Quran and Ahlulbayt (AS). Parents and students are responsible for reading the Discipline Policy and Handbook for a clear understanding of the school's expectations for student behavior.

At Wali al Asr Academy, all students are expected to conduct themselves in such a manner as to promote a positive educational environment.

With this goal in mind, we have put the following rules:

Attendance

- Attend class regularly and on time.
- Call or message ahead, when possible, if you are going to be absent or late.

Respecting Authority and Rules

- Honor the Dress Code.
- Only bring school books and supplies to your class.
- Remain respectful to staff and comply with school rules.
- Always remain in specified, designated school areas.
- Always follow staff directions and teacher's instructions.
- Do not disrespect or talk back to teachers or staff in charge, including substitutes, volunteers, and lunch/snack supervisors

Responsibility for Learning

- Be prepared for class.
- Demonstrate a serious and responsible attitude towards work in all subjects.
- Homework is carefully and thoughtfully completed and on time in all classes.

Manners of Speech

- Students are expected to always speak respectfully and with politeness.
- Greet your teachers and classmates with "Assalamu Alaikum".
- Be active and engaged in all subjects, which includes participating in classroom conversations and being respectful and attentive to those instructing.
- Raise your hand and wait for a turn to speak.
- Have an open mind and respect your classmates' answers and ways of thinking. Do not laugh or make fun of their answers.

Conflict Resolution

- Students are expected to take positive, proactive steps to discussing, reforming, and resolving any conflict between themselves.

- Students should involve school staff when they are unable to resolve any conflict between themselves.
- No sort of physical violence will be tolerated.

Respecting Each Other

- Always be respectful of classmates, both physically and verbally.
- Students are expected to always be honest, courteous, and kind to each other.
- Respect other people's property and personal space.
- Respect differences in people, their ideas, and their opinions.
- Always use appropriate language with your fellow students.
- Do not bully or tease each other.
- Always be willing to lend a helping hand.

Taking Care of School's Property

- Students should show care and regard for school property and the property of others.
- Students should not carry, conceal, or bring to school materials which are inappropriate or may disrupt the educational process.
- Students shall move safely through the school.
- Students should not play around in the bathrooms.
- Students should keep classrooms clean and organized.
- Students are not allowed to enter any classroom when the teacher is not present.
- Students should never take anything from school that does not belong to Wali al-Asr Academy.
- Students should not vandalize school property (desks, chairs, white boards, bookcases, buildings, bathroom, etc.)

Discipline and Behavior Policy

At Wali al-Asr Academy we have a clear reward and discipline system which is used to reinforce the idea in our students that good deeds earn them rewards while bad deeds lead to unpleasant consequences.

Discipline refers to specific corrective learning – and not a punishment – that is intended to clarify the expectations from a student and to build foundational behaviors and habits that will actively contribute to the wellbeing and success of the student.

Each student shall conduct himself or herself to reasonably comply with the school's code of conduct as outlined in Student Code of Conduct. However, we have put a plan of action for when discipline is needed, noting that it is not possible to reasonably foresee all grounds for disciplinary action.

Administrators, teachers, and school staff shall ensure that disciplinary actions lead to positive development and are not merely punitive.

Schedule of Disciplinary Actions

Learning and correcting shall be the foundation and primary consideration of any disciplinary action. There will be two warnings before an action is taken to correct the misbehavior. Disciplinary actions may include, but are not limited to:

- Removal from the classroom and discussion with the admin team about expectations. Parents will be notified.
- If behavior continues, the teacher may require for a parent to attend school with student in a subsequent week.
- Consistent misbehavior may in certain cases result in expulsion from school.

Reward System & Strategies

The school encourages all staff to use positive reinforcement and reward students that behave according to the code of conduct. The rewards help students remember the classroom rules and proper behavior.

Below is a list of some of the strategies which are applied that helps in creating a positive culture in the school.

- Praise and encouragement in classes to recognize achievement.
- Positive written comments on work or agenda.
- Displaying student's good work.
- Certificates.
- End of year awards.
- Teacher makes a positive phone call home or email.
- Give a treat.

Handbook Signature Page

My signature below indicates that

- I understand my responsibility for reading and following the Parent/Student Handbook.
- I understand my Co-op responsibilities relating to the lunch and work program and will ensure this commitment is fulfilled.
- I will ensure that my child/children follow all the rules and policies described in the manual.
- My child and I will abide by the above-mentioned Social Contract
- I will follow-up with my child/children during the week to ensure that homework assignments are completed.
- Whenever I have questions, I will not hesitate to visit or call the school for more information or to resolve matters as appropriate.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date

Student Name

Additional Student Name (if siblings)

Additional Student Name (if siblings)

Additional Student Name (if siblings)