

Secondary School Curriculum

The Ta'allum Secondary curriculum, based on the National Curriculum for England and Wales, is carefully constructed to support our students to achieve success. Success as learners, success as leaders and success as global citizens.

With an ethos firmly founded within Qatari and Islamic values, Ta'allum's broad and balanced Secondary curriculum reflects the very best of English and Arabic practice to ensure well-rounded provision for all – moral, personal and academic. The Secondary curriculum plan is rigorously standardised to support both Ta'allum and MOE criteria but also differentiated to meet the needs of every student and equip them with the learning they need to achieve their best and to reach their goals, whether that be as an engineer, a scientist, a business owner or any other career they are aiming to accomplish. With the Secondary Curriculum, each student can discover their strengths and their passions, their creativity and their independence.

The Ta'allum Secondary Curriculum promotes a culture of positivity and high expectations of all; everyone within our learning community, including teachers and parents, is expected to be student-centred and support students' intellectual, emotional and cultural growth. We utilise the specialist subject skills of staff to enhance the learning experience and maximise the learning outcomes; academic data is used as a tool for progression and individual development whilst the pastoral programme compliments a holistic approach.

As part of a global society, Ta'allum recognises the importance of world-wide competencies, including the need for higher-level critical and independent thinking and the use of technology. As a part of this, the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and technological platforms are embedded within the Secondary curriculum and additional cyber skills grounded in robotics, coding and computing are emphasised. Digital expertise and technological literacy is an ever developing need that the Secondary Curriculum aims to fulfil. Other extra-curricular opportunities are also extensive – from the global awareness of Model United Nations and the Scientific Research Projects to the values based Qu'ran and Hadith Competitions.

Overall, the Secondary Curriculum is designed and sequenced to support each student's flightpath from Year 7 up to the IGCSE and AS Level exams because we believe that each student deserves to fly. With a wide range of subjects from Life Skills, Makarem and Humanities to Mathematics, English and the Science, Ta'allum students experience a programme that inspires curiosity and a love for learning.

The Ta'allum Secondary Curriculum aims to:

- Promote an **ethos of high expectation, challenge and opportunity for all students**.
- Offer **formal, timetabled lessons** and a wealth of **co-curricular activities and experiences**, as promoted and supported by the Academy.
- Meet the needs of every student by providing **effective teaching and experiential learning**, so they **experience, enjoy and succeed** in a wide range of subjects.
- Take into account **students' different starting points and prior learning** and acknowledge the need for **progression and continuity** to build on the learning experiences of the individual.
- Develop students' **intellectual, emotional, social, moral, cultural, and physical** development.
- Place focus on promoting **literacy and numeracy across the curriculum**, using a broad range of **integrated technologies** to support teaching and learning.
- **Ensure differentiation for students to make and exceed expected progress in each subject area**, including individual and **group support and extension**.
- Ensure **appropriate content levels** for all ability ranges and provides **extension and challenge** for **Gifted & Talented** students.
- Recognise and appreciate the role of **Global Business and an authentic connection with the wider community** (both local and global) in the education of our young people.
- **Prepare students carefully and thoroughly for public examinations**, statutory tests and to achieve accredited qualifications leading to **Thanaweyah**.
- Provide students access to **universities** in Qatar and throughout the world.