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## Pupil Awards & Accolades Policy



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This policy describes the criteria for various Awards and Accolades given to students in their pursuit of excellence. This policy must be read in conjunction with the school calendar which describes the criteria for many awards and commendation/achievement certificates given to students by the school. The primary focus of this document is to define the criteria for the awards given to the students of grades X and XII for performing well in CBSE Examinations .

### **Grade XII CBSE Examinations:**

#### 1. Gold Medal:

A Gold Medal is given to the School Topper in the Science and the Commerce Stream. To be eligible for the Gold Medal, the topper must achieve a minimum aggregate score of 95% in the CBSE Grade 12 Board Examination. School Toppers will be decided based on the aggregate of the best 5 Subject Marks.

#### 2. Subject Toppers:

The student with the highest score in each subject will be given the subject topper award.

### **Grade X CBSE Examinations:**

#### 1. Subject Toppers:

The student with the highest mark will receive the subject topper award.

### **GRADES I & II**

Students must secure a minimum of EE- (Exceeding) in four subjects and AP(Applying) in the remaining three subjects.

There will be no subject toppers for grades 1 & 2.

### **Grade III- VIII, IX & XI:**

The student with the highest score in each subject will be given a certificate of commendation and subject topper award. School Toppers will be decided based on the aggregate of the best 5 Subject Marks.

### **THE ACE SCHOLAR TIE:**

The criteria for the Ace Scholar tie are:



### **For Grades IX & X**

An aggregated 90% and a separate minimum of 85%. Along with the privilege of wearing the badge, the students will be given the following special privileges:

- Getting extra reference books from the library.

### **For Grades XI & XII:**

**Science Stream:** An aggregate of 85% and a separate minimum of 80%.

**Commerce Stream:** An aggregate of 75% and a separate minimum of 70%.

**Additionally, qualified students will be required to write an independent essay as a means of evaluating their scholarship. They will also undergo a panel interview.**

### **The Triple Ace Scholar Badge:**

This badge is awarded to students who have received three Ace Scholar Badges in consecutive terms.

### **The Six Ace Scholar Badge:**

This badge is awarded to students who have received six Ace Scholar Badges in consecutive terms.

### **Young Scholars Programme**

In line with the 'Ace Scholars' program of the Senior School, the Middle School introduced the 'Young Scholars' initiative for Grades 6, 7 & 8.

The criteria for this is as follows:

Performance in PT1 & Half yearly examination (Only theory marks will be considered).

An overall score of 90% and a minimum of 85% in each of the following subjects: Arabic, English, Mathematics, Science, Social Science (an average of Indian and UAE SST) & 2nd Language.

Additionally, qualified students will be required to write an independent essay. They will also undergo a panel interview.

### **Fluent Speaker in Arabic**

In alignment with the Vision of 2031, we endeavour to enhance the national identity and improve the Arabic language skills of non-native speakers. In this regard, we have initiated the award for the most fluent speaker in Arabic,



commencing from academic session 2025-26. This award will be given to two students at the Annual Prize Day (Phase 2 , Grades 4 and 5, & Phase 3, Grades 6 to 9) who meet the standards as per the following criteria.

1. Fluency and coherence
2. Lexical resource
3. Grammatical range and accuracy
4. Pronunciation
5. Dialogue and Conversation

### **Valedictorian**

Following factors will be considered when choosing the valedictorian for Grade 12 graduation ceremony.

**All-rounder:** The valedictorian should have a broad range of interests and accomplishments in various areas such as sports, music, drama, or other extracurricular activities.

**Advocacy for the school:** The valedictorian should be a strong advocate for their school, promoting its values, and contributing to the community.

**Leadership skills:** The valedictorian should have demonstrated leadership qualities by leading a team, organizing an event, or taking on a leadership role in the school or community.

**Good communication skills:** The valedictorian should have good communication skills, including public speaking, writing, and interpersonal communication.

**Role model:** The valedictorian should be a positive role model for other students, demonstrating the school's values and principles in their behavior and actions.

### **PRINCIPAL'S AWARD:**

A special award titled 'Principal's Award' will be given to a student who exhibits all-round excellence in the following areas:

1. Academics (Best among Scholars)
2. Attendance:

If a student is on approved leave representing the school then his attendance will be compensated on case to case basis.

3. Achievements in Inter - School Events
4. Achievement in International Events
5. Achievements in Intra - School Events
6. Attitudes and Values (Better Human Being, Good Role Model)
7. GEMS Core Values:
  - a. Care



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- b. Excellence
  - c. One team
  - d. Always Learning
8. Proficiency in Arabic
  9. Awareness of Islamic and UAE Culture
  10. Participation in school events and programmes

All students will be evaluated in the abovementioned areas based on the following criterion:

**PRINCIPAL'S AWARD CRITERIA**

NAME OF THE STUDENT:  
NUMBER:

GRADE : 11

SEC:

ADM.

Sl. No.	CATEGORY	POINTS	EVIDENCE / REMARKS	Name Evaluator/Judge
1	Academics (Best among Scholars)			
2	Attendance			
3	Achievements in Inter-School Events			
4	Achievements in International Events			
5	Achievements in Intra-School Events			
6	Attitudes and Values (Better Human Beings, Good Role Models)			
7	GEMS Core Values: 1. Care 2. Excellence 3. One Team 4. Always Learning			
8	Proficiency in Arabic			
9	Awareness of Islamic & UAE Culture			
10	Participation in Inter/Intra-School Events (No Points) Will be considered if there is a tie			
	<b>TOTAL POINTS</b>			



**Criteria:**

- 1. Academics:** A1-5, A2-4, B1-3, B2-2, rest -0 (including Arabic) **Arabic:** A+ -5, A-4, B-3, C-2, D - 0
- 2. Attendance:** 100%-5, 99%-4, 98%-3, rest -0
- 3. Achievement in Inter-School Events:** 1st Prize-10, 2nd -8, 3rd -6 (Team event = ½ value)
- 4. Achievement in International Events:** 1st Prize-30, 2<sup>nd</sup> -20, 3<sup>rd</sup> -10.
- 5. Achievement in Intra-School Events:** 1st -5, 2nd -4, 3rd -3 (Team event = ½ value)
- 6. Attitudes and Values:** To be evaluated by all teachers teaching the pupil. Only if **all** teachers vouch for good attitude and behavior, the student will get a 5 or nil.
- 7. GEMS Core Values:** To be evaluated by the Class Teacher: 5 points for each value exhibited in conduct and embodied in deportment.
- 8. Proficiency in Arabic:** To be evaluated by Ms. Samira in communication skills - A1-5 (O), A2-4 (VG), B1-3 (G), B2-2 (Acceptable), rest -0
- 9. Awareness of Islamic & UAE Culture:** To be evaluated by Ms. Samira

**Endorsements:**

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.

**Mr. Vipin**  
Supervisor

**Mr. Faizal**  
Head of Section

## APPENDIX A

Grade boundaries for converting Grade XI Marks into Grades:

GRADE BOUNDARIES	GRADE
91-100	A1
81-90	A2
71-80	B1
61-70	B2
51- 60	C1
41- 50	C2
33-40	D



32 & below

E

Grade boundaries for converting Grade I-IV Marks into Grades:

Instructions

Grading scale for Co-scholastic:

+3 POINT SCALE		
GRADE	SCALE	DESCRIPTION
A	3	Outstanding
B	2	Very Good
C	1	Fair

ISLAMIC EDUCATION/ ARABIC/ UAE SOCIAL STUDIES		OTHER SUBJECTS	
GRADE	PERCENTAGE	GRADE	PERCENTAGE
A+	90-100	A1	91-100
A	80-89	A2	81-90
B	70-79	B1	71-80
C	60-69	B2	61-70
D	50-59	C1	51-60
E	40-49	C2	41-50

Grade Boundaries for Converting Grade V-VIII  
Marks into Grades:

Instructions

Arabic and UAE Social Studies		Other Subjects	
Grade	Percentage	Grade	Percentage
A+	90-100	A1	91-100
A	80-89	A2	81-90
B	70-79	B1	71-80
C	60-69	B2	61-70
D	50-59	C1	51-60
E	0-49	C2	41-50
		D	33-40
		E (Needs Improvement)	32 & Below

Grading Scale for Co-Scholastic 3 Point Scale		
Grade	Scale	Description
A	3	Outstanding
B	2	Very Good
C	1	Fail



Grade Boundaries for Converting Grade IX-X Marks into Grades:

Instructions:

Arabic and Islamic Education		UAE SST		CBSE Subjects	
Grade	Percentage	Grade	Percentage	Grade	Percentage
A+	95-100	A1	96-100	A1	91-100
A	90-94	A2	91-95	A2	81-90
B	80-89	B1	86-90	B1	71-80
C	70-79	B2	81-85	B2	61-70
D	60-69	C1	76-80	C1	51-60
E	0-59	C2	71-75	C2	41-50
		D	61-70	D	31-40
		E1	60-69	E	0-32
		E2	Less than 60		

Grading Scale for Co-Scholastic		
5 Point Scale		
Grade	Scale	Description
A	5	Outstanding
B	4	Very Good
C	3	Good
D	2	Fair
E	1	Needs Improvement