



Boys Varsity Basketball Team

1st row: Omar Ghusein, Munir Khalaf, Talat Suleiman

2nd **row:** Coach: Mahmoud Ghouleh, Omar Ali, Shafiq Said, Mohammad C. Yassin, Ahmad Ahmad, Mahmud Yassin, Jammal Sahloul, Alla Mizyed, Alla Eddahla Amjad Karim, Coach: Timothy Ferguson





Boys JV Basketball Team

1st row: Mohamad Abdullah, Sohib Boundaoui, Ahmad Ahmad, Mohamad Hamad, Jalil Farid, Ahmed Ismail, Yousef Nafe, Coach: Mahmoud Ghouleh, Athletic Director: Ali Abuhlaleh

2nd**row:**Waleed Sadek, Ahmat Sakiri, Mohammad Hasan, Ahmad Hasan, Mousa Musleh, Haris Arshad, Ilyes Hammadi, Saphe Falaneh



2010

August

Sha'ban - Ramadan

"From Crayons to College"

SUN	الأحد	MON	الإثنين	TUE	الثلاثاء	WED	الأربعاء	THU	الخميس	FRI	الجمعة	SAT	السبت
1	20	2	21	3	22	4	23	5	24	6 ACT Deadline for	r 9/11/10 ²⁵	7	26
8	27	9	28	10	29	11 Ramadan Start	, 1	12	2	13	3	14	4
15	5	16	6	17	7	18	8	19	9	Pre-K-12th grade of School 8:20-1 Students Must Be in	2:00.	21	11
					Teacher I	n-Service				Pk-7 th Open Hou 2:30 - 4:00 pm	se		
22	12	Pre-K-12 th grace Full Day of Sch Students Must Be Ramadan Sche 8:20 - 2:30 pm	ool. in Uniform dule Starts	24	14	25	15	26	16	27	17	28	18
29	19	30	20	31 Fall Picture	21	1	22	2	23	3	24	4	25
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Girls JV Basketball

1st row: Janeen Radwan, Duaa Mohamed, Haneen Ballouta, Dania Elkhadra

2nd row: Mariam Ahmad, Coach: Lena Tleib, Ronya Kawji, Zainab Zarzour



Girls HS Basketball Team

1st row: Haneen Ballouta, Shahira Halim, Eman Sahloul, Dania Elkhadra

2nd row: Mariam Abdel-razik, Duaa Mohamed, Dana Jabri, Ronya Kawji, Khawaila Falaneh

3rd row: Hedayeh Abed, Sara Musleh, Coach: Lena Tleib, Mona Khalil, Maha Khatib

4th row: Janeen Radwan, Shetha Hamoud, Mariam Ahmad, Nisreen Amir, Zainab Zarzour

2010

September

Ramadan - Shawwal

"From Crayons to College"

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12	3	13 School Resumes	4	14	5	15	6	16	7	17 Open House/Parent 8th-12th Grade 5:00- ACT Deadline for 10	-8:00 p.m.	18	9
19	10	20	11	21	12	22	13	23	14	24	15	25	16
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Girls JH Basketball Team

1st row: Maryam Sabir, Sara Salama, Rifqa Falaneh, Mallak Ahmad, Danya Alzein, Ayah Ali

2nd **row: Coach: Sara Sharara**, Adela Zarzour, Bayan Abusharara, Feryal Abusalim, Dema Eid, Shereen Salama, Noor Krad, Dina Hammad, Nadia Sharara



1st row: Kareem Bazaraa, Ratib Masud, Muhamed Destani, Abdelrahman Sharara, Mohamad Shehadeh

2nd **row:** Ismaeel Jarad, Mahmoud Radwan, Hamid Bazaraa, Mohamed Mohamed, Hany Shahin

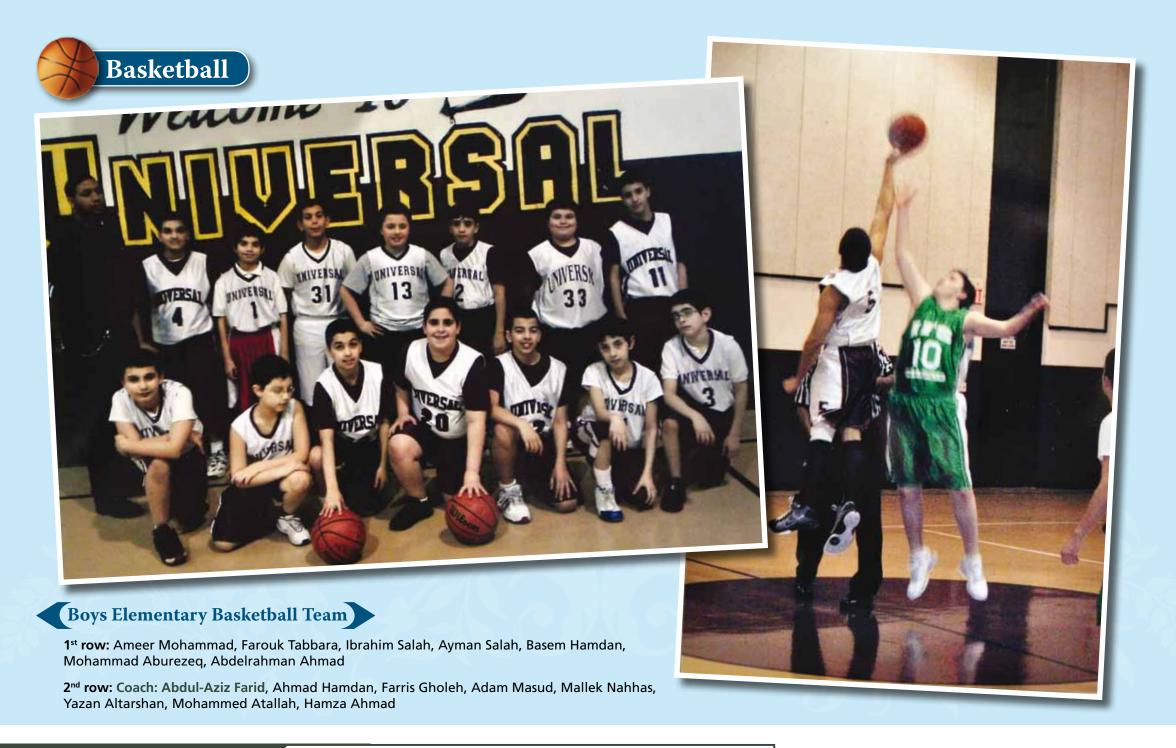


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October

Shawwal - Thul Qi'dah

SUN	الأحد	MON الإثنين	الثلاثاء TUE	الأربعاء WED	الخميس THU	الجمعة FRI	SAT السبت
26	17	27 18	28 19	29 20	30 21	1 22	2 23
3	24	4 25	5 26	6 Progress Report Sent Home	7 28	8 29	9 SAT Exam
10	2	All Islamic School In-Service Day NO SCHOOL	12 Graduates Pictures & Fall Retakes 4	13 PSAT Exam	14 6	15 Board/Parent Meeting 6 p.m.	16 8
17	9	18	19	20 12	21 College Fair at Daley College	22 14	23 ACT Exam 15
				Scholastic Book Fair			
24	16	25 17	26 18	27 19	28 20	29 End of 1st Quarter	30 22
31	23	1 24	September 2010 s M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	"Where Isla 7350 W Phone (708) 599-4100 •	m and Education Com J. 93rd Street • Bridgeview, II Fax (708) 599-1588 • Web w rom Crayons to College	ne Together" L 60455 ww.universalschool.org	November 2010 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30



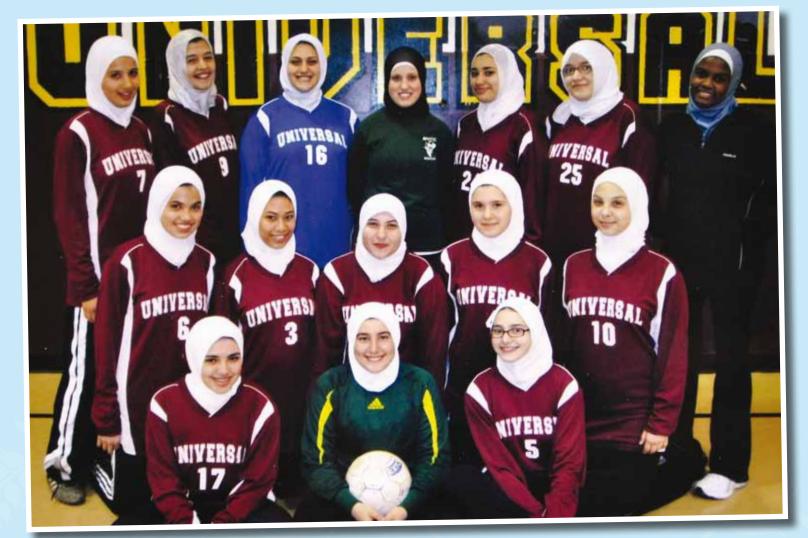
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November

Thul Qi'dah - Thul Hijjah

SUN	الأحد	MON	الإثنين	الثلاثاء TUE	الأربعاء WED	الخميس THU	الجمعة FRI	السبت SAT
31	23	1	24	2 25	3 26	4 27	ACT Deadline for 12/11/10 Parent/Teachers Conference 10– 6 p.m.	6 29
7	1	8	2	9/10 Boys Students/Admin meeting 4 p.m.	10 4	11 9/10 Girls Students/Admin meeting 4 p.m.	12 6	13 Annual Dinner 6:30 p.m.
14	8	15	9	16 ₁₀	17 11 I-Adha Break - NO SC	18 ₁₂	19 13	20 14
21	15	22 School Resumes	16	23 11/12 Boys Students/Admin meeting 4 p.m.	24 11/12 Girls Students/Admin meeting 4 p.m.	25 19	26 20 segiving Break - NO So	27 21 CHOOL
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Girls HS Soccer Team

1st row:

Dalia Altarshan Lena Sarhan Sameha Martini

2nd row:

Amal Hassoun Dawlat Mohamed Kanar Ibrahim Janan Badier Yasmine Tabbara

3rd row:

Ronya Kawji Doha Mohammad Areej Hamdan Coach: Yasmine Shihaybar Shurouq Hamayel Hanan Malas Aanisah Mubarak

2010

December

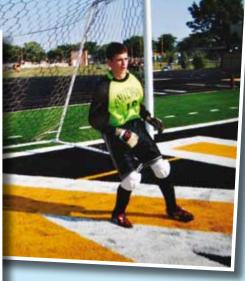
Thul Hijjah - Muharram

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SUN	الأحــد	MON	الإثنين	الثلاثاء TUE	الأربعاء WED	THU	الخميس	لمعة FRI	SAT	السبت
28	22	29	23	30 24	1 25	2	26	3	27 4 SAT Exam	28
5	29	6	30	7	8	9	3	10	4 11 ACT Exam	5
12	6	13	7	14 8 th -9 th grade Orientation for Exams	15	16	10	17	18	12
19	13	20	14	Pass Out Study Guides to 10 th -12 th grade	22 Progress Reports Sent Home	23	17	24	25	19
				Science Fair Wee	k - 1st-9th Grade			Winter Bre	eak - NO SCI	HOOL
26	20	27	21	28 22	29 23	30	24	31	25 1	26
				Wi	nter Break - NO SCH	OOL				J
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Boys HS Soccer Team

1st row: Mohamed Rashad, Mohammad Hassan, Omar Ali, Mohammad Hamodeh, Mohammad C. Yassin, Amjed Karim

2ndrow:Ahmet Sakiri, Jamal Sahloul, Ahmad Ahmad, Sohib Boundaoui, Shafiq Said, Becker Gholeh, Mohammad Hamad, Coach Samir Al-Batonie

2011 January

Muharram - Safar

SUN	الأحــد	MON ثنین	TUE	الثلاثاء	WED	الأربعاء	THU	الخميس	FRI	الجمعة	SAT	السبت
26	20	27	28	22	29	23	30	24	31	25	1	26
2	27	3 School Resumes	4	29	5	1	6	2	7 ACT Deadline for 2	2/12/10 3	8	4
							[[Sth-12th Exa	ıms Reviews			
9	5	10 8th-12th Independent Study Day	6 11	7	12	8	13	9	14	10	15	11
						8th-12th Sem	nester Exa	ams				
16	12	17	₃ 18	14	19	15	20	16	21 End of 2 nd Quarte	.r 17	22 SAT Exam	18
		MLK Day Observed NO SCHOOL										
23	19	24	25	21	26	22	27	23	28 Career Day (NHS Sponsored) Report Cards Sent	24 t Home	29	25
						Spelling B	Bee Week	(
30	26	31	Decembe 5 M T 5 6 7 12 13 14 19 20 21 26 27 28	2010 V T F S 1 2 3 4 3 9 10 11 5 16 17 18 2 23 24 25 9 30 31	Phone ("Where Islan 7350 W (708) 599-4100 •	m and Ed . 93rd Street Fax (708) 59	t • Bridgeview, II	ne Together" . 60455 ww.universalsch	ool.org	February S M T W 1 2 6 7 8 9 13 14 15 16	2011 T F S 3 4 5 10 11 12 17 18 19 24 25 26





Boys Elementary Soccer Team

1st **row:** Yazan Altarshan, Bader Abdel-Hadi, Mohammad Ihmoud

2nd **row:** Ziyad Elabady, Farouk Tabbara, Qasem Aqrabawi, Qais Dihan, Basem Altarshan, Ahmad Alzein, Abdullah Salem, Mallek Nahhas

3rd **row**: Hamza Memon, Malek Sarhan, Mohammad Toumah, Wael Gad, Ridwan Rahman, Joel Mohammed, Hamza Zahra, Ibrahim Salah, Omar Zahra



Boys JH Soccer Team

1st row: Omar Falaneh

2nd **row:** Jamal Azhari, Mahmoud Ahmed, Mohayed Alzein, Amer Abdallah, Mohammad Ahmad, Okba Hammadi, Mahdi Sahloul

3rd **row:** Mansour Mahammed, Hamid Bazaraa, Ahmed Mohamed, Muhamed Destani, Abdelrahman Sharara, Kareem Bazaraa

2011

February

Safar - Rabi' I

SUN	الأحــد	MON	الإثنين	الثلاثاء TUE	الأربعـاء WED	الخميس THU	الجمعة FRI	SAT السبت
30	26	31	27	1 28	2 29	30	4	5 2
6	3	7	4	8 5	9 WYSE Regionals (Tentative)	10 7	11 8	12 ACT Exam
13	10	14	11	15 12	16 13	17 Elementary Quran Competition	18 JH/HS Quran Competition	19 16
20	17	21 NO SCHO	18 DOL	22 19	23 20	24 21	25 22	26 23
27	24	28	25	1 26	2 27	3 28	4 29	5 30
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Girls HS Volleyball Team

1st row: Nisreen Amir, Maha Khatib

2nd **row:** Amane Salem, Eman Sahloul, Sumaya Amer

3rd **row**: Alia Mohammad, Duhah Hamayel, Aala Mohamed, Leena Hamadeh, Shetha Hamoud, Fatat Turkmani, Lindita Osmani

4th **row:** Mona Khalil, Nabela Ashraf, Dania Elkhadra, Khawaila Falaneh, Mariam Abdel-Razik



2011

March

Rabi' I - Rabi' II

SUN	الأحـــد	بن MON	الإِثنيـ	الثلاثـاء TUE	الأربعاء WED	الخميس THU	الجمعة FRI	السبت SAT
30	24	31	25	1 26	Progress Reports Sent Home	3 28	ACT Deadline for 4/9/10 NHS Induction Ceremony 2:00-3:30 pm	5 30
6	1	7	2	8	9	10 5	11 6	12 SAT Exam IJAS Regional Science Fair
13	8	14	9	15 10	16 HS Lexicon Challenge	17 WYSE Sectionals (Tentative)	18 Arabic Spelling Bee	19 14
20	15	21	16	22 17	23 MS Lexicon Challenge	24 19	25 End of 3 rd Quarter	26 21
27	22	28	23	29 24 Spr	30 25 ring Break - NO SCHO	31 26	1 27	2 28
3	29	4	30	February 2011 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28	"Where Islan 7350 W Phone (708) 599-4100 •	iversal Schoom and Education Com 2. 93rd Street • Bridgeview, II Fax (708) 599-1588 • Web w rom Crayons to College	ne Together" L 60455 ww.universalschool.org	April 2011 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30





Girls JH Volleyball Team

1st row:

Maryam Sabir Noor Salem Sara Salama Aminah Zegar Jinan Mohammed

2nd row:

Marwah Roussi Shereen Salama Dema Eid Batoul Hasan Feryal Abusalim Adela Zegar Sarah Hassan Coach: Lena Tleib

2011

April

Rabi' II - Jumada I

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SUN	الأحد	MON	الإثنين	الثلاثاء TUE	WED sL	الأربع	الخميس THU	الجمعة FRI	السبت SAT
27	22	28	23	29 24	30	25	31 26	1 27	2 28
				Sp	oring Break - NC	SCHO	OL		
3	29	4 School Resumes	30	5 Elementary Spring Picture	6	2	7	8 Parent/Teacher Conference 10-6 p.m. NO SCHOOL	9 ACT Exam
					Scholastic Boo	k Fair			
10	6	11	7	12 8	13	9	14 10	15	16 12
							IOWA	TESTS	
17	13	18	14	19 15	20	16	21 WYSE State Competition 17	22 18	23 19
					IOWA TES	TS			
24	20	25 Teacher In-Se		26 22	27 Rooftop Picture (All Students must be in full uniform)	23	28 24	29 Experience It! Open House for Pk-9 th Grade Only New Parents 9-12 p.m.	30 26
1	27	2	28	March 2011 S M T W T F S		re Islaı 7350 W 9-4100 •	iversal Sch m and Education Con J. 93rd Street • Bridgeview, Fax (708) 599-1588 • Web v rom Crayons to Colle	me Together" IL 60455 vww.universalschool.org	May 2011 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31





Boys JH Baseball Team

1st row: Ratib Masud, Waseem Khalaf, Muhamed Destani, Faris Aqrabawi, Amer Abdallah, Omar Falaneh

2nd **row:** Ahmed Kareem, Mohammad Zorob, Bilal Alharsha, Omar Zorob, Coach: Islam Jody, Yousef Dahleh, Ali Zegar, Hany Shahin



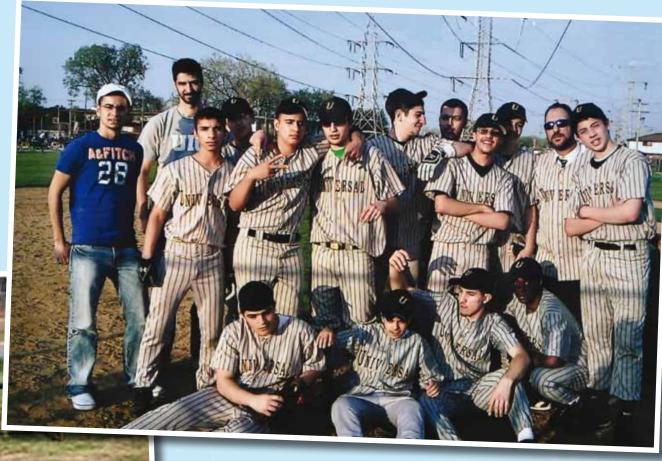
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May

Jumada I - Jumada II

SUN	الأحد	MON الإثنين	الثلاثاء TUE	الأربعاء WED	الخميس THU	الجمعة FRI	السبت SAT
1	27	28 AP Chemistry / Environmental Science Exam Morning Session	3 29	4 AP Calculus Exam Morning Session	AP English Literature Exam Morning Session	ACT Deadline for 6/11/10 AP US History Exam Morning Session	7 SAT Exam IJAS State Science Fair
8	5	AP Biology Exam Morning Session AP Physics Exam Afternoon Session Study Guides Distributed to 8 th & 12 th grade students	10 7	AP English Language Exam Morning Session Progress Reports Sent Home	12 9	13 All School Program 6:30 p.m.	14 11
15	12	16 13	17 14	18 15	19 16	20 17	21 18
			Current families Re	gistration - Last Nam	e beginning with A		
22	19	23 Study guides distributed 20 to 9th-11th grade	24 21	25 22	26 Graduation Dinner 23	$egin{array}{c} {f 27} \\ {f 8}^{ th} \& {f 12}^{ th} {f graders Last Day of} \end{array}$	28 25
		students	8 th &	12 th Grade Exams		School & Award Ceremony / Seniors Picnic by Juniors	
			Current families Rec	gistration - Last Name	beginning with B-L		
29	26	30 27	31 28	1 29	2 30	3	4 2
Fun 12-5		Memorial Day NO SCHOOL	Current fa	amilies Registration -	Last Name beginning	with M-Z	
5	3	6 4.	April 2011 s M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	"Where Isla 7350 W Phone (708) 599-4100 •	iversal Schoom and Education Com 2. 93rd Street • Bridgeview, II Fax (708) 599-1588 • Web word Crayons to College	ne Together" L 60455 ww.universalschool.org	June 2011 s M T W T F s 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30







Boys HS Baseball Team

1st row: Omar Ismael, Baha Amra, Mohammad Yassin, Jalil Farid

2nd **row**: Assistant Coach: Hussein Ziedah, Assistant Coach: Khalil Ziedah, Mumammad Abdalla, Muhammad Zorob, Adel Saramiti, Alla Mizyed, Shafiq Said, Mufaq Omari, Usama Ibrahim, Hasan Abusawa, Coach: Jehad Matariyah, Sohib Boundaoui

2011

June

Jumada II - Rajab

الأحد SUN	MON الإثنين	ולמעלבוء TUE	WED الأربعاء	الخميس THU	الجمعة FRI	السبت SAT
29 26	30 27	31 28	1 29	2 Pre-K/Kg Last Day Field Day for PK & Kg	3 End of 4th Quarter Kg Graduation 5pm 8 & 12 Grade Report Card Pick Up	4 SAT Exam 2
	Current fa	amilies Registration -	Last Name beginning	with M-Z	9th-11th Independent Study Day School in session for 1st-7th grade	
5	6 4	7 1 st -7 th grade Field Day	8	9 7	10 8	11 ACT Exam
8 th Grade Graduation 11-1 p.m. 12 th Grade Graduation 4-6 p.m.		. , g.aacaa.za,	Elementary/MS Awards Ceremony Last Day & Report Card Pick Up for 1st.7th Dismissal at 12:00 p.m.	Teacher I	n-Service	
		9 th -11 th Grade S	emester Exams			
12 10	$oldsymbol{13}$ HS Report Cards Pick Up $oldsymbol{11}$	14 12	15 13	16 14	17 15	18 16
	Of	fice Summer Hours:	Monday through Frid	ay 9:00 a.m 2:00 p.	m.	
19 17	20 18	21 19	22 20	23 21	24 22	25 23
26 24	27 25	28 26	29 27	30 28	1 29	2
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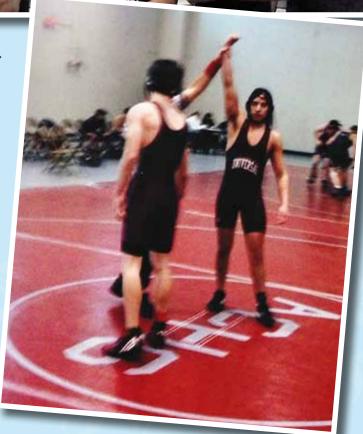






Boys HS Wrestling

Athletic Director: Ali Abuhlaleh Mohammad Arshad Omar Falaneh Alla Eddahla Fathi Abdullah Moudar Jano Saphe Falaneh Salah-Aldean Abdullah

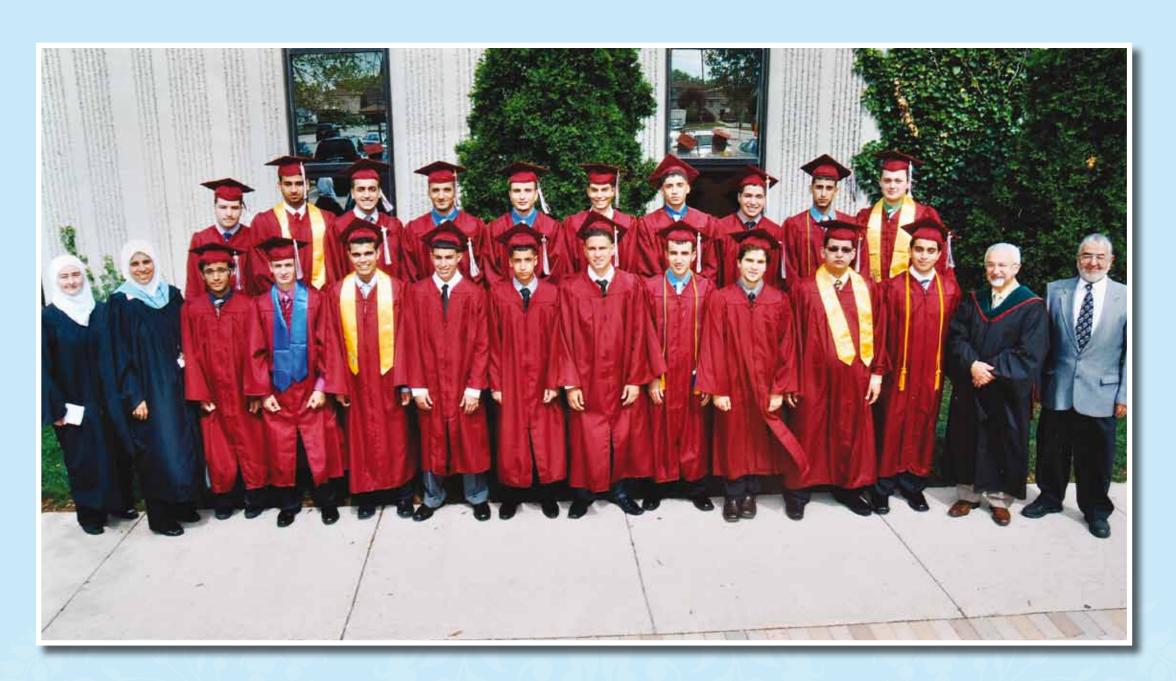


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July

Rajab - Sha'ban

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17	16	18	17	19	18	20	19	21	20	22	21	23	22
24	23	25	24	26	25	27	26	28	27	29	28	30	29
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				12 13 14 19 20 21 26 27 28	15 16 17 18 22 23 24 25 29 30	Phone	(708) 599-4100 •	Fax (708) 59		ww.universa	lschool.org	21 22 23 28 29 30	



High School Class of 2010



SCHOOL PROFILE 2010-2011

grade. During the last school year, there were over 288 students in the preschool and elementary level and 336 in the middle and high school, totaling 664 students. The spacious 70,000 square foot modern facility allows a maximum of 700 students. At the current rate of growth, we anticipate reaching this number in a few short years. Our graduates have been accepted into Harvard University, Yale University, Cornell University, University of Chicago, Northwestern University, Washington St Louis Medical Program, Wesleyan University in Connecticut, I.I.T. Dual acceptance Medical, DePaul University, Loyola University Honors Program, University of Illinois at Chicago Honors Program, University of Illinois at Urbana, and other accredited institutions. Last year's graduates received a total of over 2 million in academic scholarships.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Universal School is governed by a well-diversified, group of Muslim professionals who are not only active in the school, but in the community at large. There are nine members, seven men and two woman. These individuals who volunteer their time oversee the basic functions of the school.

ACCREDITATION: Since 1992, Universal has been recognized by the State of Illinois Board of Education and in 2004, Universal School also received accreditation from the very prestigious North Central Association for Accreditation. Universal School is also recognized nationally as a leading Islamic school by the Islamic Society of North America, Islamic Circle of North America, American Muslim Council, Dar-ul-Islam Inc., and Council on American Islamic relations, among others.

BUDGET: TThe annual budget of Universal sums to over \$ 3,300,000.00. Seventy-five percent of this amount is collected through tuition, the remainder is provided through grants and fund raising efforts.

ENROLLMENT: Universal's 624 students and their parents are from various cultural and economic backgrounds. Over 63% of parents of students come from twenty different Arab countries, 15% represent the Indian subcontinent, 12% are African Americans and 10% from other nationalities. **CURRICULUM AND ACHIEVEMENT:** The elementary level adheres to an accelerated academic program that leads the students in the high school level to our college preparatory program offering Advanced Placement and Honors classes. Our elementary school students, on average, performed better than 77% of all the students nationally, when compared to students in other private and

Our high school students' scores averaged from 23.0 to 24.1% for the last four years on nationally conducted achievement tests such as the SAT and ACT, with the score of 34 out of 36 as the highest ACT score, and a perfect 800 out of 800 on the SAT subject test score obtained this past year by Universal Students. This is well above the national average of 21.1 and State average of 20.5.

parochial schools in grades 2nd through 8th, on the Iowa Test of Basic Skills.

THE FACILITY: The spacious 70,000 square foot modern facility includes thirty-six classrooms; a state of the art, fully equipped science lab; two computer labs; one journalism lab; library-media center; a cafeteria with a full service kitchen; an indoor regulation size basketball court; playing field; and a playground

THE FACULTY/STAFF: The school is home to sixty dedicated faculty and staff members. The Principal and Administrative Team hold degrees as high as Master's in Education and Administration. All teachers of core subjects are certified in their respective fields where certification is offered. Over forty percent have earned at least one Master's Degree in an education-related field, the remaining have Bachelor's Degrees. One high school teacher has a Ph.D. in curricular development. Several elementary and high school teachers have been chosen annually, as Who's Who among U.S. teachers. Over 50% of the elementary faculty graduated with honors from their respective alma mater. The elementary and high school teachers have an average of nine years teaching experience behind them.

DISTINCT AWARDS:

2009: 1st place school recognition in the Regional Science Fair out of 48 participating schools. From the 300 projects judged, Universal School students received the greatest percentage of "Outstanding Projects" recognition. 1st place school recognition in the Regional and Sectional WYSE Competition. Universal School students received 2nd place state recognition at the WYSE

(World-wide youth in Science and Engineering) Competition, 9 students were recognized as AP Scholars, 7 students were recognized as AP Scholars with distinction, and 3 students were recognized as Advanced Placement (AP) Scholars with Honors English, 2 Students were Finalist in the All American Boy and Girl Competition and the Highest ACT Score is 34 out of 36 with an ACT subject score of 36 out of 36.

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2007: 1st place school recognition in the Regional Science Fair out of 55 schools. 1st place school Recognition in the Regional and Sectional WYSE Competition. 7 AP Scholars and 2 National Merit Scholars Semi Finalists (This honor is awarded to only 1 in every 250,000 high school juniors). 2 finalists in the All American Boys Contest, Highest ACT score 34 out of 36, and highest SAT 1420, 10 Illinois State Scholars.

2006: Highest ACT scores of 32 out of 36; 11 AP Scholars; 6 Illinois State Scholars. 1 finalist in the All American Boys Contest.

2005: Highest ACT score of 34 out of 36. All American Boy Contest, 3rd place winner: Sponsored by U.S. Congressman Lipinski; Midwest Muslimah Volleyball Tournament Winners; 8 AP Scholars; 4 Illinois State Scholars.

EXTRA RECOGNITIONS

- 2009: Comcast Community Scholarship Recipient.
- 2008: Bronze Medalist of the Presidential Community Scholarship.
- 2000: Metro Prep Conference Championship, Student On-Line Award, (SOJA) Awarded grand prize in the national competition sponsor by US News and World Report.
- All American Girl Contest, winner: Sponsored by U.S. Congressman Lipinski; National Merit Scholar: Awarded to 1 in 250,000 high school seniors.
- Illinois State Scholar, awarded to 1% of Illinois H.S. seniors; 25% of Universal graduates receive this designated Honor in the 2009 Highest SAT score, 1570 out of 1600.
- WGN Extra Effort Award.

TAKING THE LEAD: Universal is known as the pioneer in taking bold steps toward establishing and refining North America's Islamic school movement. Some of our unique endeavors include: establishing an Arabic as a second language curriculum including original textbooks and materials; creating and utilizing an Islamic Studies curriculum as well as textbooks for the elementary grades; participants of the Tarbiyah Project, a national Islamic character education program; 12-page, independent student newspaper, The Constellation; joining an official IHSA private high school basketball conference; initiating and hosting a volleyball tournament for girls involving other Muslim schools in the area, a wrestling program where students participated and won at the regional level, track and field team for boys and girls (Islamic dress code worn through special permission) has participated in the State Sectional Meet for the past eight years, and several students competed o¬n the state level.

LOCATION: Nestled in the southwest suburbs of Chicago, Universal School draws students from the entire Chicagoland area with a significant number living up to an hour's drive away. IMPACT ON COMMUNITY: Since its inception, Universal School has played a dynamic and significant role in the community. Many school programs involve the students in community services, such as feeding the indigent, visiting nursing homes, participating in activities at homeless shelters and sponsorship of orphaned children. Universal students publish their own 12-page student newspaper three times a year, and have an o¬nline newspaper as well. The first high school chapter of IMAN (Inner-city Muslim Action Network) was established at Universal in which students actively work in the community to help those in need.

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