





DELIVERS A HIGH QUALITY COLLEGE PREPARATORY PROGRAM AND INVITING SCHOOL COMMUNITY

GEMS American Academy is a diverse international K-12 American/IB School offering both the Primary Years Programme and Diploma Programme with 2,000 students, comprised of 80+ nationalities speaking 40 languages and a faculty of 180. Established in 2007 and accredited by CIS and NEASC, GAA is the flagship American curriculum school for GEMS in Abu Dhabi and sister school to Dubai American Academy.

GAA offers an academically rigorous and relevant program of studies specifically designed as a student-centered, inclusive and adaptive approach to learning. At GAA, learning is a journey of exploration and growth, where exceptional teachers and world-class facilities support the fullest development of every child's potential. Our American style approach to learning includes a wide range of academic subjects and a holistic approach, which includes the arts, music, drama, physical education, extra-curricular activities, clubs, and sports.

More than simply a larger selection of course offerings and activities, our approach to curriculum and instruction cultivates critical thinking skills and celebrates each child's creativity and imagination. Our rich program allows young people to pursue individual interests and gain the confidence and conviction to make their unique contributions to the community.

Our program brings together the best curricula in the world incorporating International Baccalaureate (IB) Scope and Sequence, Project AERO (American Education Reaches Out/Common Core), National Arts Standards, and the UAE Ministry of Education. Arabic language, culture and UAE agenda initiatives are honored and woven throughout our program.

Personalized and innovative learning in a caring and principled **environment.** At GAA, we place high importance on building positive and supportive relationships, and on creating an environment where we are excited about learning, work collaboratively and celebrate together our Academic, Artistic and Athletic success.

Mr. Robert Rinaldo Head of School

PROGRAMME	2020/21 ANNUAL TUITION FEES (AED)
KG 1 - 2	52,870
Grades 1 - 12	73,670



GENERAL SCHOOL INFORMATION

SCHOOL HOURS OF OPERATION

Kindergarten 7.45am - 2.45pm Grade 1 - Grade 5 7.45am - 2.55pm Grade 6 - Grade 12 7.45am - 3.00pm 3.00pm - 4.00pm After School Activities

TOUR INFORMATION TIMES AND PROCESS Please contact reception to register for a tour offered Sunday - Thursday at 10.00am.

ACCREDITATIONS & RATINGS

Accredited by the Council of International Schools (CIS) and the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC); Guided by the Abu Dhabi Department of Education and Knowledge (ADEK); IB Primary Years Programme (IBPYP), IB Diploma Programme (IBDP).

ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS **OFFERED**

English Language Learner support (ELL) Learning Support (LS) Gifted & Talented

ISLAMIC & ARABIC PROGRAMS

In accordance with the Abu Dhabi Department of Education and Knowledge (ADEK) requirements.

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

GEMS American Academy - Abu Dhabi provides a rich extra-curricular program that supports health and development, providing opportunities for students to develop talents and explore new interests. Activities include both individual pursuits and team building for students from Grade 1 onwards that are developmentally appropriate. Students may choose from a wide variety of activities.

MAIN FACILITIES AVAILABLE Planetarium, 500 seat auditorium, 6 science laboratories, Sports hall (with 6 courts), covered play area, 2 swimming pools, 4 full-sized tennis/basketball courts, full size soccer pitch, black box theater, recording studio, two green screens, two libraries and a clinic.

OTHER REMARKS

Our Parent Association hosts numerous annual events, including the International Food Festival. Parents are welcomed as an integral part of the GAA community.

GAA has a warm & welcoming Community Spirit.

Bus Transportation provided by Bright Bus.

THE GEMS DIFFERENCE



Trusted by parents around the world

We are passionate about education and have been trusted by parents for 60 years.



We are a family of committed teachers

Everyday, our family of 20,000 teachers makes a difference in the lives of over 190,000 students.



Our Students lead locally and internationally

GEMS students have won over 2,100 international, regional and local awards in science, arts and sports.



Our Students excel and go to the top universities

GEMS students have been accepted into 1,050 universities in 53 countries including all eight lvy League universities in the US and all 24 Russell Group universities and colleges in the UK.



We are deeply committed to philanthropy

Our philanthropic arm, The Varkey Foundation, supports initiatives that change lives around the world.



Making quality education accessible

GEMS Rewards is an exclusive rewards programme for our community of students, parents and staff designed to reduce the impact of school fees and further enhance their lifestyle.



We see genius in every child

We believe that a quality education is the key to unlocking the greatness that

