

Important Dates / Upcoming Events

October 18-22

-Midterm Break

Covid 19 Updates

- all of our classrooms have hand sanitizers and extra masks and gloves for students
- The building is cleaned/sanitized thoroughly at night and throughout the day
- Students' movement is restrict to appointed sections of the building to ensure few contact points
- Students' temperatures are taken prior to being permitted entry into the school
- Sharing of school supplies is not permitted at anytime

*"Throw us an obstacle
and we grow stronger"*

- Brad Henry



Thursday, October 1, 2020

New Leads and Coordinators

Hello! My name is Ms. Safiyya Punjani and I am the newly appointment Senior High Lead for the 2020/21 academic year. I teach a mix of High School Biology and Physical Education. This is my second year at Blyth Academy, and as a returning staff member, and new addition to the leadership team, I am excited for our school community to not only succeed, but thrive in the face of adversity. I am looking forward to the opportunity to lead such a diverse and strong department. COVID-19 has challenged us all, however my goal as Senior High Lead is to support our community and our students in achieving success both academically and socially this year, and for years to come.



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Hello!! I am Mr. Jacob Caley. I am the Student Life Coordinator this year as well as the junior high science teacher. This is my first year at Blyth Academy Qatar and my first year in Doha. I am so excited to be working with the school and its community members. My goal is to help bring a sense of pride, energy and enthusiasm to our entire school community. I know that the pandemic has challenged us all, however, I am more determined than ever to make this a memorable school year for all of our students!

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Greeting parents and students, my name is Mr. Abdul or as the students like to call me Mr. A, and I will be this years new athletic coordinator for 2020-2021. First and foremost I humbly accept this position and I am well aware of the challenges this school year brings. This is my third year here at Blyth, which not only gives me a sense of experience and pride but also a close relationship with many of the students that attend Blyth. I enjoy meeting new parents and students and finding ways to help them have an uplifting experience. I am dedicated, outgoing, and a team player not only with staff and students but parents as well. So lets help each other and have a fantastic school year for 2020-2021!



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BAQ Weekly Update

Teachers! Whoohoo!

Where are our teachers now?

Patricia Harris, grade 2 teacher is in Doha and taught her first day today!

Angela Lamothe, High School Socials and Psychology teacher, here in Doha expected first day on campus is October 4

Zev Edwards, High School Socials and CALM teacher, here in Doha, expected first day on campus is October 6

Alan Palmer, grade 4 teacher, here in Doha, expected first day on campus is October 8

Eunice Owusu, grade 2 teacher, arriving October 1, expected first day on campus is October 11

Bea Alcantara, Junior High ELA teacher, arriving October 1, expected first day on campus is October 11

Anne Marie Bienvenue, French teacher, Arriving October 10, expected first day on campus is October 18

Carol Manning, Grade 5 teacher, still processing entry permit

Azadeh Abdolrazaghi, still processing entry permit

Julia Lema, still processing entry permit

Laurie Thomas, Guidance Counselor, arrives next week.

Simia Khan, Junior High Math, arrives next week



Please note: The website is being updated and the teacher list will be accurate soon



Thank you to all the parents who attended the Town Hall Meeting, held on Wednesday September 30. Many items were discussed during the meeting. We will be creating and delivering a special communication early next week to outline and elaborate on all of the agenda items, as well as address some pertinent questions that were raised.

School Advisory Council

During the Town Hall meeting, the Blyth Academy Administration Team announced the development of an Alberta mandated, School Advisory Council. We are currently looking for parent volunteers for the position of School Advisory Council Chairperson as well as other important positions on the council. Further information about the School Advisory Council will be forwarded to parents via email. If you are interested and would like further details about this position or other vital roles in the newly formed council, please contact Darlene Sullivan at Darlene.Sullivan@blythacademyqatar.com

Finally, Mr. Shaw wanted to be sure that every parent was reminded of his email address. If you have concerns and you feel he should be involved, please contact him at:

Patrick.shaw@blythacademyqatar.com

Reminders

- Students are not permitted to use cell phones in the school as per the school and MoE policies.
- Appropriate uniforms are to be worn at all times, on campus and at home.
- All uniform pieces must be purchased from Zaks. Please see Zak's poster attached for purchasing options and contact information.
- Please inform the school of any absences by emailing info@blythacademyqatar.com
- We are a nut-free school due to severe allergies
- Students in grades 7-12 are encouraged to have their own tablet or laptops