

Blyth Academy – Islamic and Qatar History Policy

1. Purpose

To ensure the delivery of high-quality academic teaching in Arabic, Islamic Studies, and Qatar History. These subjects play a vital role in supporting the development of cultural identity, promoting respect for Qatari values, and nurturing responsible global citizens in line with the Ministry of Education and Higher Education (MoEHE) requirements.

2. Policy Statement

Blyth Academy is committed to full compliance with the MoEHE regulations regarding the teaching of Arabic, Islamic Studies, and Qatar History. The school recognizes the importance of these subjects in fostering cultural understanding, moral integrity, and national pride while maintaining a global outlook.

3. Procedures

1. **Arabic** (First Language): Blyth Academy will provide a minimum of four (4) instructional hours per week of Arabic language for native Arabic speakers in accordance with MoEHE standards.

2. **Islamic Studies** (Arabic Section): The school will allocate a minimum of three (3) instructional hours per week for Islamic Studies for all Muslim students.

3. **Arabic** (Second Language): Blyth Academy will offer Arabic as a second language for non-native speakers in Grades 1–9 and will strive to meet the four (4) hour per week requirement.

4. **Islamic Studies** (Non-Arabic Students): The school will offer Islamic Studies for non-Arabic-speaking Muslim students, taught in English and Arabic as needed, meeting the three (3) hour per week requirement.

5. **Class Grouping:** In Grades 1–9, Arabic and non-Arabic speakers will be taught in separate classes to ensure appropriate instruction and language development.

6. (Grades 10–12): Students who wish to continue Arabic studies will be placed in **Senior School Arabic** as a first language classes unless there is a sufficient number of students to warrant an Arabic as a second language section.

7. **Qatar History:** Qatar History will be taught by homeroom teachers in Grades 1–6 and by Social Studies teachers in Grades 7–9. All instruction will follow the official Ministry of Education Qatar History textbooks and curriculum guidelines.