



An inviting school community, delivering a high quality college preparatory program



GEMS American Academy is a diverse international K-12 American/IB School offering the 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. 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.

Offering the broadest high school pathways of any school in Abu Dhabi

WE OFFER 4 GRADUATION PATHWAYS:

1. American Diploma Courses only
2. American Diploma Courses with some AP courses
3. American Diploma Courses with a minimum of 3 IB courses
4. IB Diploma

RATED 'VERY GOOD' BY ADEK

The performance of GAA has been rated as follow:

Students' Achievement	Very Good
Students' personal and social development, and their innovation skills	Very Good
Teaching and Assessment	Very Good
Curriculum	Outstanding
The protection, care, guidance and support of students	Outstanding
Leadership and management	Outstanding

FOCUS ON INNOVATION

We have implemented a K-12 Makerspace that challenges learners to continuously think outside of the box. In our KG Makerspace you will find KG1 students and KG2 students learning coding skills and the design process. Across all grades, the GAA Makerspace is designed for students to utilize in order to solve complex problems that are aligned with their units of inquiry.

“ From the earliest years, GAA students are nurtured to develop a passion for learning. We cultivate curiosity, inquiry, and an understanding of how learning works. Excellence at GAA means challenging personal limits and embracing growth. We empower students to develop resilience—an essential trait in today's ever-evolving world success. ”

Mr. Ethan Hildreth
Principal/CEO



For any enrolment enquiries, please contact us:



GENERAL SCHOOL INFORMATION

SCHOOL HOURS OF OPERATION	Pre-K – KG2	: 7.45am - 2.45pm
	Grade 1 - Grade 5	: 7.45am - 2.45pm
	Grade 6 - Grade 12	: 7.45am - 3.00pm
	After School Activities	: 3.00pm - 4.00pm
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 Diploma Programme (IBDP).	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · English Language Learner support (ELL) · Learning Support (LS) · Gifted & Talented 	
ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS OFFERED	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · 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 extracurricular 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	500 seat auditorium, 6 science laboratories, Sports hall (with 6 courts), 4 covered playgrounds, 2 swimming pools, 4 full-sized tennis/basketball courts, full size soccer pitch, black box theater, Design Hub, two libraries and a clinic.	
OTHER REMARKS	<p>Our Parent Association hosts numerous annual events, including the International Food Festival. Parents are welcomed as an integral part of the GAA community.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · GAA has a warm & welcoming Community Spirit. · Bus Transportation provided by Bright Bus. 	

GRADES ANNUAL FEES (AED)*

Pre-K - KG 2	57,850
GR 1 - GR 12	80,610

* Fees subject to change

ENROLLING NOW!
 Pre-K to Grade 12

GEMS American Academy, PO Box 145161
 Khalifa City A, Abu Dhabi, UAE



THE GEMS ADVANTAGE



Trusted by parents around the world

We are passionate about education and have been trusted by parents for 65 years.



We are a family of committed teachers

Everyday, our family of 20,000 teachers makes a difference to the lives of over 200,000 students from over 176 countries.



Our students lead locally and internationally

Almost half a million GEMS alumni have gone on to lead successful careers in all sectors around the world, including many reaching CEO and C-suite status.



Our students head to all the top universities

GEMS students have been accepted into over 1,050 universities in 53 countries – including all eight Ivy 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 shine a light on the positive impact of teachers around the world.



We make quality education accessible

GEMS Rewards is our award-winning loyalty programme exclusively available to our community of students, parents, and staff - designed to give back and reward.



We see genius in every child

We believe a quality education is the key to unlocking the greatness that lies in every child.

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