

Academic Calendar 2025 – 2026

Important Dates:

Term 1	April 2025 – October 2025
Term 2	November 2025 – March 2026
Periodic Test 1 (Grade 5 to 12)	June 19 to July 3, 2025
Summer Break	July 7 - August 24, 2025
Half Yearly Examination (Grade 1 to 12)	September 22 to October 16, 2025
Periodic Test 2 (Grade 5 to 12)	November 17 to November 28, 2025
Winter Break	December 15, 2025 - January 4, 2026
Annual Examination (Grade 1 to 9, 11)	February 19 to March 19, 2026

Details of Assessments / Examinations:

Grade 1 to 4

Term 1		Term 2	
Types of Assessment	Marks	Types of Assessment	Marks
Formative Assessment	20	Formative Assessment	20
Summative Assessment (Half Yearly Examination)	30	Summative Assessment (Annual Examination)	30
Total	50	Total	50

* Both terms will be added to calculate the final score of 100. Attendance is mandatory for both the terms and no retest will be given after Term 1 Examination.

Grade 5 to 10

Types of Assessment (For both Term 1 and Term 2)	Weightage (Out of 100)
Written Examination	80%
Periodic Tests & Multiple Assessments	10%
Portfolio (classwork, homework, notebooks etc.)	5%
Subject Enrichment Activities	5%
Total	100%

Grade 11 & 12

Types of Assessment (For both Term 1 and Term 2)	Weightage (Out of 100)
Written Examination (Theory)	70% / 80%
Practical / Project	30% / 20%
Total	100%

Details of the Portions for Various Assessments:

Name of the Assessment	Weightage of the Portions	
Periodic Test 1	Selected portions from Term 1	
Half Yearly Examination	Selected portions from Term 1	
Periodic Test 2	Selected portions from Term 2	
Annual Examination	Grade 1 - 5	Term 2 portions only
	Grade 6	All Term 2 portions + 10% portions from Term 1
	Grade 7	All Term 2 portions + 20% portions from Term 1
	Grade 8	All Term 2 portions + 30% portions from Term 1
	Grade 9 & 10	All Term 1 & Term 2 portions
	Grade 11 & 12	All Term 1 & Term 2 portions

NOTE:

- Minimum percentage for promotion in Ministry Subjects (Islamic Education & Arabic – 50%, UAE SST – 40%). For all other subjects it is 33%.
- Grade 10, 12 will have one Summative Assessment (Half Yearly) and the other being the Board Examination at the end of the year.
- Grades 10,12 will have Pre - Board and Mock Examinations towards the end of the academic year (December 2025 - February 2026).
- Admission to Grade 11 (AY 2026 - 2027), for old & new students will be based on the Pre – Board and Mock Examinations (December 2025 - February 2026). Requirement for admission is at least 55 % in English, Math, and Science for all students.
- Grades 9 to 12 will have monthly unit tests. The requirement is to secure at least 60 % marks in each of these tests.

● Promotion Criteria - Grades 9 to 12

	Assessment Components	Passing Criteria	Promotion Criteria
Grade 9	Internal Assessment (20%), Final Exam (Internal and Final Exam conducted by school (80%)	33% in each subject separately	2 subject failure - eligible for retest; >3 - repeat year
Grade 10	Internal Assessment (20%), CBSE Board Exam (80%)	33% in each subject (combined Internal + Board Exam)	1 subject failure - eligible for compartment; >2 - repeat year
Grade 11	Internal/Practical (20% or 30%), theory and practical components CBSE Board Exam (70% or 80%)	33% in each subject; separately in 1 subject failure - eligible for retest; >1 - repeat year	1 subject failure - eligible for retest; >1 - repeat year

Grade 12 Internal/Practical (20% or 30%), theory and practical components CBSE Board Exam (70% or 80%)	33% in each subject; separately in 1 subject failure - eligible for compartment; >1 - repeat year
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- Requests of repeated retests will not be entertained, and the Promotion Criteria will be strictly adhered to.
- The school will inform parents as and when updates are received from CBSE.
- The detailed Assessment Policy is available on the school's portal and website.
- The parents who do not have the access to the parent's portal are requested to contact the IT Department at itsupport@cityschool.ae



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