

QATAR FOUNDATION SCHOOLS

Qatar Foundation started its journey in 1995 and its earliest achievement was Qatar Academy Doha. Under the umbrella entity, Pre-University Education (PUE), QF schools have expanded to include ten academies and other educational programs, namely:

- · Qatar Academy Al Wakra (QAW)
- Qatar Academy Msheireb (QAM)
- Qatar Academy Al Khor (QAK)
- Qatar Academy Sidra (QAS)
- Qatar Leadership Academy (QLA)
- Awsaj Academy
- Academic Bridge Program (ABP and QAF-ABP)
- Renad Academy
- The Learning Center (TLC)
- Educational Development Institute (EDI)

In addition, QF Schools are developing STEM and Future School projects, planned to open in 2018 and 2019. These academies and centers are united in a common vision that focuses on delivering world-class education experiences for all our students.

These leading education centers interpret and implement Qatar Foundation's message of *Unlocking Human Potential*, through their own vision of *Leading Learning*.

Qatar Foundation academies are proud that Qatari nationals represent the highest percentage of their students, accounting for more than 70% of the total number. At Awsaj, Renad, QAM, QAW and QAK that figure is over 90%. This is in keeping with the PUE goal of preparing students for university study in the disciplines that best suit Qatar's needs; supplying the local job market with educated and skilled young people; supporting the State's efforts in moving Qatar towards a knowledge-based economy and in achieving the Qatar National Vision 2030. QAS has a more international body of students, with 70% of students coming from 40 different countries.

Our academies are located throughout Qatar, with our Headquarters being in Doha in the impressive campus setting of Education City. We serve around 5000 students, with enrolment projected to grow significantly over the next five years. Each academy provides education programs tailored to the needs of its particular population of students whilst being a part of the broader Qatar Foundation Schools family.

Our teaching staff is truly international with a strong and balanced representation from many countries and nationalities. A quarter of our teachers are from the USA, 10% from each of the UK and Canada, with many Qatari and other Middle Eastern nationalities represented on the faculty in all schools. We work hard to attract the most talented and dedicated educators to teaching and leadership roles within our organization.

Our schools are accredited by a variety of international school accreditation programs including CIS (Council of International Schools) NEASC (New England Association of Schools and Colleges) and MSA (Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools). Many of our schools are IB programme authorized or are candidates for authorization. ABP, Renad and Awsaj have developed their own, innovative curricular programs to meet the Specific needs of their students whilst still having international accreditation. All our schools are guided by additional Qatar Ministry of Education standards and directives.

OF Schools and IB authorization

School	PYP	MYP	DP
QAD	А	Α	Α
QAK	С	Α	А
QAM	С		
QAS	А	Α	А
QAW	С	С	
QLA			А

A = Authorized C= Candidate

Required qualifications

- Bachelor's degree
- Post-graduate teaching qualifications and/or additional teaching certification
- At least two years of teaching experience following certification.

Preferred professional development

- International Baccalaureate PYP, MYP and/or DP experience, where appropriate to the school.
- Training in Readers and Writers Workshop, where appropriate to the school.
- Demonstrated ability to offer differentiated instruction
- Proficiency working with English Language Learners

Important notes

- Police checks in your home country and current country of residence will be required.
- All qualifications will require attesting and any that have been obtained via online courses will not be accepted for the purpose of employment visas.
- The laws of Qatar do not permit us to hire unmarried teaching couples.
- The mandatory retirement age in Qatar is 60.

Qatar Academy **Doha**

QAD is the founding school of Qatar Foundation and recently celebrated its 20th anniversary. As the largest school in the QF family with over 1200 students, QAD is organised administratively into a Primary School, Middle School and High School, with an Early Education Center for children as young as 6 months of age. QAD is an IB World School, authorized for the PYP, MYP and DP, Seventy one percent of QAD graduates leave with an IB Diploma and all graduate with a CIS/ NEASC accredited high school diploma giving them access to universities and colleges in North America, Europe, Qatar and elsewhere. QAD university/college entrance is 100%. English is the language of instruction in all disciplines and subjects except Arabic, Islamic Studies and Qatar History which are taught in Arabic. Over 70% of QAD students are Qatari and a large majority are English Language Learners. QAD is an inclusive school that serves a wide variety of learning needs and abilities. Boys and girls are taught in mixed classes for the PYP and the DP, and separately for the MYP (Grades 6 to 10). QAD is very well resourced for teaching facilities and technology, especially for sports, design, art, science and theatre studies. The school is located on a large campus within Education City, Doha, with a recreation

Qatar Academy Al Khor

QAK was established in 2008 as a dual language, English-Arabic school to serve the local Al Khor community. The school moved to a new, large, purpose-built and state-of-the-art campus in 2016, located close to Al Khor town centre and about 30 minutes' drive north of Doha, QAK educates over 800 predominantly local students from Pre-3 to Grade 12. Boys and girls are taught in mixed classes for the PYP and the DP, and separately for the MYP (Grades 6 to 10). English is the language of instruction in all disciplines and subjects, except Arabic, Islamic Studies, Qatar History and Citizenship which are all taught in Arabic. In 2017 QAK graduated its first cohort of IB Diploma students, which were all accepted to the local and international universities of their choice. The School is authorized for the IB MYP and a candidate school for the IB PYP, and is accredited by MSA. QAK recently opened its state-of-the-art recreation facility to the wider community, providing a range of community classes and activities, such as swimming, karate, ballet, and basketball.



Qatar Academy **Al Wakra**

QAW was established in 2011 to serve the rapidly growing coastal community of Al Wakra, about a 30 minute drive south of Doha. In 2018-2019 QAW will serve close to 900 students from Preschool to Grade 9 and will continue to expand by one grade level each year. QAW has a strong dual language program, is a candidate school for the IB MYP and IB PYP, and is accredited by CIS and NEASC. The school anticipates moving to a new, state-of-the-art, purpose built campus in 2018. Facilities will include attractive outdoor sports areas, indoor recreation and gym facilities, indoor swimming pools, a 450 seat theatre, music, drama and art studios, and well equipped science, technology, engineering, mechanics and food technology laboratories. Our talented teachers go above and beyond to achieve QAW's vision, encouraging and quiding our students to discover, learn and think creatively. QAW teachers and administrators are highly collaborative, energetic and supportive team players who are passionate about working with children and making a difference.



Qatar Academy **Sidra**

QAS is a rapidly growing school, currently serving over 500 students aged 3 to 18 representing over 40 nationalities. The school is located on two small campuses; a Primary School and a Secondary School, close to each other in Education City. 20 minutes west of Doha, with access to a wealth of local amenities. The new, purpose-built campus is scheduled for completion in 2020, QAS is an inclusive school with mixed classes throughout. It celebrates international mindedness and enquiry based learning, and is authorized for the IB PYP, IB MYP and IB DP programmes, English is the language of instruction for all classes except Arabic, Islamic Studies and Qatar History Qatar Academy Sidra is more than just a school; it is a student centered hub of inquiry, it is our community. QAS is a place for students, faculty, staff and parents to play, learn, grow and celebrate.



Qatar Academy **Msheireb**

QAM was established in 2014 as a state-of-the-art school that develops internationally minded, empathetic, lifelong learners through a dual-language program that is relevant to the real world, and structured to be rigorous, stimulating and challenging. QAM's dual-language program of learning is based on both the Common Core State Standards for English Literacy, AERO Standards for Math, and the National Standards for Arabic Literacy, History and Islamic studies. The school serves 375 students ranging from Pre-3 to Grade 5, after which students graduate to other local or QF schools. QAM is located at Mshiereb Township in a new, purpose-built school which is part of a wider urban regeneration project aiming to preserve the historic heart of Doha in an environmentally sustainable way. QAM is a candidate school for the IB PYP and will be developing this with the IB as an innovative bilingual programme. Language learning is key to the success of QAM with Balanced Literacy and Reading and Writing Workshops being the framework for its language programs. Mathematics and science are taught by single subject specialists.





Awsaj Academy

The Awsaj plant is a desert species that blooms all year round despite the challenges of a harsh climate. Like the plant, Awsaj Academy believes that each student, irrespective of the challenges they may face, can develop and blossom. Growing from fewer than 100 students in 2011 to over 400 students today, Awsaj moved into a beautiful, purpose built facility in 2012, right in the heart of Education City, Doha. The School is a recognized leader in the region for facilitating change and learning in the area of aiding students with challenges and implementing systems of support for all students. The Awsaj Academy staff are highly trained and specialized in Special Education, Second Language Learning, and alternative learning pathways. Staff, students, and parents think of Awsaj as "family." Awsaj Academy offers an American and Qatar High School Diploma program with accreditation from Middle States Association and the Council of International Schools.



Renad Academy

Renad Academy, opened in 2016, is a school for children with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). Children learn in a positive and comforting environment that draws on the best, research-based techniques such as ABA (Applied Behavior Analysis) and the TEACCH model (Treatment and Education of Autistic and related Communication handicapped Children), Expert teachers work alongside Speech-Language Pathologists, Occupational Therapists and School Psychologists to provide state-ofthe-art instruction to students. The School presently serves students aged 3 years to 7 years old, but each successive year, the school will add a higher grade level until students of all ages can be served. Renad is located in a spacious school building to the west of Doha, close to Education City. The work of the School extends beyond its students by reaching out to each family and to the wider community. We provide intensive and individualized training to enhance the skills of family members in caring for and developing their child with autism. Through Renad Academy, the wider community can access specialized training in the field of Autism to boost the region's provision of high-quality services to all those affected.





Qatar Leadership Academy

QLA was established in 2005 in the community of Al Khor, located with easy access to local town amenities and about 30 minutes' drive north of Doha. It is an innovative partnership between Qatar Foundation and Qatar Armed Forces. Admitting students, known as cadets, into Grade 7, QLA is a boarding school for boys which offers a rich program of Leadership and Heritage activities. QLA aims to prepare and develop young men to become the future leaders, with many graduates going on to serve in Qatar's military and police services. Its programs combine the teaching of academics, athletics, and military values, qualifying its students to access prestigious Arab and international academic universities or military colleges.



Academic **Bridge Program**

The ABP was established in 2001 to provide high school graduates in Qatar of good ability with a one-year foundation program that prepares them for an English language university education. Students must complete an intensive, one-year program in English, science, math, and computer skills, combined with a focus on improving their time management, test-taking, computer and study skills. The ABP program is coeducational which provides students the experience of learning and studying in a mixed community. The language of instruction in the ABP is exclusively English, and much of the learning at ABP is aimed at improving students' abilities in academic English. EFL is at the core of our work, and is supported by after-school courses in IELTS, SAT, and ACT. The school, more like a community college, is located in a new, purposebuilt and well-resourced building at the heart of the Education City campus. ABP students are able to benefit from use of the facilities at the neighbouring branch universities (such as Georgetown or Texas A&M) to make contacts and ultimately to gain admission to the undergraduate programmes at these and other universities.

The LearningCentre

TLC provides a wide-range of learning support services for students from 6 months of age to early adulthood. With a dynamic and highly skilled team of teachers (including SEN, ELL and GAT specialists) and clinicians (Speech and Language Therapists, Occupational Therapists and Psychologists), we provide consultation, academic and therapeutic services and professional development to students and staff in all QF schools. TLC implements a multi-tiered system of supports framework for academic and behavior needs, focusing on assisting QF schools with developing and enhancing systems as well as providing direct student support to ensure academic progress and success for all students. TLC also provides parents and other direct stakeholders access to programs and services that support student growth and achievement, as well as advocating for inclusive practices in Qatar and beyond.





Oatar is on the move; the country is experiencing a building boom, an infrastructure overhaul, and a steady population growth. Guided by the Qatar National Vision 2030, the nation aspires to overcome its dependency on the extraction of petrochemicals before 2030, replacing it with an economy based on education, research, medicine and community development. That aspiration impacts every aspect of daily life.

Over 2.7 million people live in Qatar and 88% of them are expatriots, mostly from South Asia and mostly residing in the greater Doha area. The city of Doha is safe and secure. It is an 'easy' place to live and work, and to raise a family. It is also the ideal base from which to travel further afield or to enjoy the culture and beauty of this gem of the Arabian Gulf.



Captions:

- 00 Background image: Prayer area of Qatar Foundation's Faculty of Islamic Studies. Mangera Yvars Architects.
- Qatar Foundation Convocation 2017.
- 02 Al Zubara Fort. A UNESCO World Heritage Site since 2013 2017.
- 03 5km Color Run. Photo Credit: Jovanie Cabrera (flickr).
- Al Shaqab Riding Academy.
- 05 2016 UCI Road World Championships

The climate is excellent, especially in 'winter' when the long weeks of sunshine, blue skies and 30-degree Celsius temperatures invite people out doors. Whether your passion be water sports; dessert pursuits; adventurous activities; or just a lazy evening by the pool after a stroll along the Corniche, you will find yourself spoilt for choice. It very rarely rains and the occasional short but intense storm merely adds drama.

Life in Qatar has many comforts and attractions. The shopping is World-class, ranging from spacious, modern malls where you can find familiar high-street and designer brands from Europe and America, to the delightful and distinctively Qatari souqs, offering everything from spices to gold. The dining options are equally wide ranging, with something for every taste from street food to Michelin-starred restaurants, and the sports, arts, music and culture scenes are burgeoning. Almost all of these are within the greater Doha area and close to our schools and teacher accommodation.

Travel connections are second to none, thanks to the Qatar Airways hub and the country's location midway between Europe, Africa and the Far East. There are direct flights to an astonishing list of American, European, Asian and Australasian destinations.

Outdoor activities include desert camping and beach life, and there are mangroves to be canoed and birdlife to be photographed. Equestrian competition, horse racing and camel racing are Qatari passions and not to be missed; there are motorsport events, football competitions and tennis tournaments to be seen. Cricket is played widely and, on Fridays, virtually every reasonably flat piece of land will host a match.

Nightlife is vibrant and varied, and there is something for all backgrounds and tastes. There are theatres and concerts; festivals and celebrations; and music and dancing is available in a range of western chain hotels, as is the famous 'brunch'. Most large hotels serve alcohol to non-Muslim residents, who can also apply for a permit to purchase alcohol for their personal consumption at home.

Qatar will host the FIFA World Cup 2022 and the preparations are already well under way. State-of-the-art, air-conditioned football stadia are being built; roads are being constructed, reconstructed, expanded or diverted; a light railway system to serve Doha and the outlying towns is close to completion; and a tram system is being built in Education City. As a result, traffic congestion and diversions can sometimes feel like a way of life, but they reflect the dynamism and thirst for progress that permeates every aspect of life in Qatar.

Most of our teachers live in ECCH, or 'The Lots' as Education City Community Housing is called. 75

Here you will find generously proportioned apartments or villas in a peaceful, beautifully landscaped and self-contained housing area, with playgrounds for the kids, a walking/running course, a social club with sports facilities and a family swimming pool, a neighbourhood supermarket and coffee-shop.

- 06 Chef's Garden Restaurant, Marwan Club, Al Shaqab Equestrian grounds.
- **Education City Comunity Housing**
- Soug Wagif

09 Eid Prayer

- 010 Qatar National Day Celebrations.
- 011 Children's shows at Mall of Qatar
- 012 Villaggio mall
- 013 Beauty and the Beast at Qatar National Convention Center



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