



Circular AUS/2021-2022

25 August 2021

Dear parents and students,

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE IMPORTANT UPDATES ON THE LINK PROVIDED BY KHDA BELOW:

<https://www.khda.gov.ae/en/safetyatschools> .

Especially the following statement is of interest:

"The major change for the new academic year is that all students must be back at school for face-to-face learning by October 3, except in exceptional circumstances."

The seats for both the students who opted for Face-to-Face/In-School and for the Distance Learning program are nearly full and it is very important to re-register at the earliest. The school usually receives inspections from a range of authorities - including KHDA, Dubai Municipality and the Dubai Health Authority. The latest protocols for Face-to-Face learning at Dubai schools, that schools have received from KHDA very recently, recommends a reduced 1m social distancing limitation in classrooms and also for all the outside and other areas. AUS will abide by this recommendation carefully to ensure the safety of our students and staff until further official notice from KHDA. Due to this, many on our waiting lists for the Face-to-Face classes have received notification very recently of secured seats in school from the start of the academic year.

We expect official notification soon to relax this 1m social distancing recommendation even further. Students on the waiting lists will be notified immediately as these restrictions are officially relaxed. Our objective is to reach the 100% occupancy level in all our classrooms as soon as it is allowed in a way that ensures our students' and staff's safety. As you are aware, our Distance Learning program has progressively improved and we believe that those learning from home will still receive a quality service even though they cannot physically join the classes.

If you are only re-registering your children now, you will notice that the **optional fees** do NOT form part of the fees to book your seat as was the case earlier. You may re-register your child without paying the optional fees. We made this change after a very fruitful meeting with KHDA where we received very clear and valuable guidance regarding the fee structure of AUS for this academic year and for future years.

If you have paid the optional fees already, we would like to thank you very much. These optional fees have made it possible to develop important life skills that usually cannot receive the necessary attention in classrooms. It also allowed AUS to significantly improve our school over the summer holidays in terms of extra-curricular activities' facilities and much improved ICT infrastructure, internet and WiFi coverage and bandwidth. It also enabled us to procure new equipment for some of our teachers whose devices were not in a satisfactory state to work effectively any longer. Please continue to support the school in this endeavour. If you prefer to request a reimbursement of these optional fees, please email [collections@arabunityschool.ae](mailto:collections@arabunityschool.ae) who will respond to your request at the earliest. The same procedure should be followed if the reason you cannot access your child's final report card for 2020-21 is due to pending optional fees.

**IF YOU NEED ANY SUPPORT TO MANAGE YOUR FEE PAYMENTS, PLEASE REMEMBER TO ARRANGE A MEETING WITH OUR FINANCE MANAGER WHO IS KEEN TO SUPPORT OUR PARENTS AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.**

**THIS IS A REMINDER OF THE PROCESS FOR RE-REGISTRATION**

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Parents will register their final choice of the model they prefer for every student via the online Fee Structure Agreement that can be accessed from the links on the next page of this circular.

NOTE: For any further clarification with regards to this re-registration process, please contact our Parent Liaison Officer, Mr Rami via email: [parentliaison@arabunityschool.ae](mailto:parentliaison@arabunityschool.ae).

FS2	<a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SFHV2MK">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SFHV2MK</a>
Year 1	<a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2X98ZRN">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2X98ZRN</a>
Year 2	<a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2X7W8XL">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2X7W8XL</a>
Year 3	<a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2XV7YGZ">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2XV7YGZ</a>
Year 4	<a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2XLRJPJ">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2XLRJPJ</a>
Year 5	<a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2X8PSZB">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2X8PSZB</a>
Year 6	<a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2XKM3VN">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2XKM3VN</a>
Year 7	<a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2MZHRXC">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2MZHRXC</a>
Year 8	<a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2M52Z2R">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2M52Z2R</a>
Year 9	<a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2M6QYTB">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2M6QYTB</a>
Year 10	<a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2MHBTPP">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2MHBTPP</a>
Year 11	<a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2MPYZ58">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2MPYZ58</a>

**NOTE:** Year 12 and Year 13 links and Fee Structure information will be made available in a separate document, due to the admission protocols for our Sixth Form students who are still in their final interview stage.

**NEW HEAD OF SIXTH FORM**

It is our pleasure to announce the appointment of a new Head of Sixth Form, Mrs Luanne Cash, who joins the AUS team with very valuable experience in senior leadership roles here in the UAE. Welcome Mrs Luanne. We are looking forward to benefit from your expertise and experience in this important section of our school.

We are really looking forward to start receiving our students, **who have received confirmation of Face-to-Face seats**, back from SUNDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> OF AUGUST.

**Please stay safe and healthy!**

**Leonard Murphy**  
Principal