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STUDENT HANDBOOK

A Complete Guide

Welcome to Our School!



2026-2027



**In the Name of Allah,
the Most Beneficent, the Most
Merciful.**

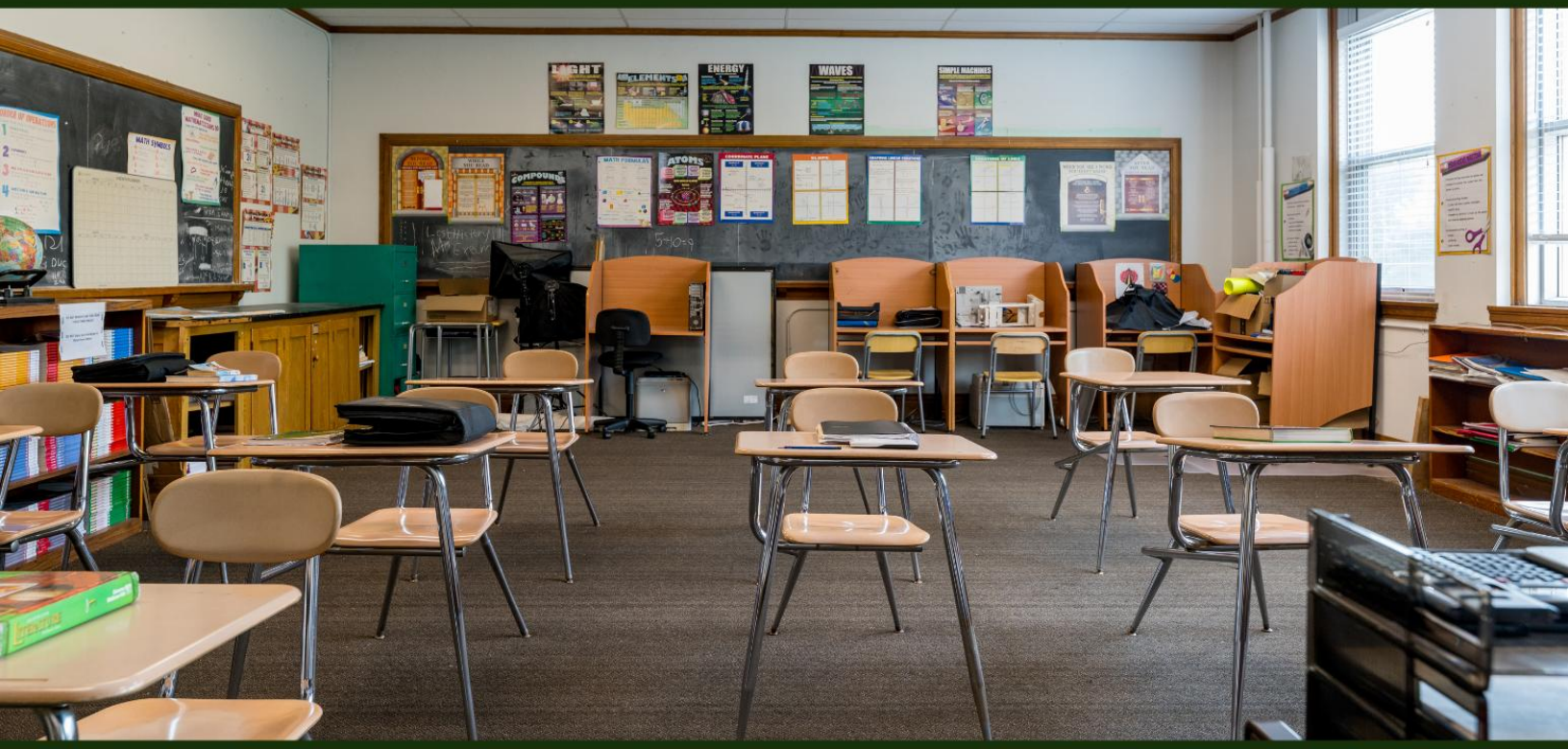




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Our History

Alhamdulillah, by the grace of Allah ﷻ, Darul Uloom Canada opened its doors in 2010 as a Masjid & Islamic Boarding Seminary offering the Tahfeeth-ul-Quran Program (Quran Memorization), Alimiyyah Program (Islamic Scholarship) & Iftaa Program (Advanced Jurisprudence). Located in Chatham, Ontario, our seminary serves as a central hub for the rapidly growing Muslim community and serves Muslims throughout Canada.

In 2012, Darul Uloom Canada established **Chatham's first Islamic elementary and secondary school** to better serve the local Muslim community. By providing both religious and secular studies, Darul Uloom Canada addresses the needs of the community while fostering a productive learning environment.

Our Mission

Darul Uloom Canada strives to provide an environment that promotes the Sunnah of the Prophet ﷺ. We are dedicated to guiding our students on a lifelong journey of personal and academic excellence (**Ihsaan**) through God Consciousness (**Taqwa**), Prophetic Character (**Akhlaaq**), Passion for Knowledge (**Ilm**), Leadership Development (**Imarah**), and Service to the Community (**Khidmah**).

The skills and values students develop in school should also be reflected in their daily lives at home.



Our Programs

1. Tahfeeth Program

One of the responsibilities of the Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W.) was to recite the verses of the Holy Quran. It is our vision to impart this art of recitation with Tajweed (rules of recitation) to the future generations.

The Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said: “It will be said to the companion of the Qur’an: Recite and rise in status, recite as you used to recite in the world, for your status will be at the last verse that you recite.” (Al-Tirmidhi and Abu Dawood)

Students focus on memorizing the Qur’an in the morning from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and in the afternoon from 2:15 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. They begin by learning the basics of reading Arabic through *Al-Qaidah An-Nuraniah*, and then start memorization beginning with Juz 30.

Every day, Tahfeeth students will recite:

- 1) The new verses they memorized (Sabaq)
- 2) The Juz they are memorizing until the new verses (Sabaq Parah)
- 3) A previous Juz they have memorized. (Manzil)

Aadaab of Tahfeeth Class:

- Students must make wudhu before Quran class begins.
- Students must treat their Qaidah, Quran & Tajweed book with adab & respect.



2. Alimiyyah Program

The ‘Ālimiyyah Program is an initiation into the centuries-long chain of Islamic scholarship, connecting students to the legacy of the Prophet ﷺ, his Companions, and the scholars throughout Muslim history. It transmits knowledge (‘ilm), practice (‘amal), and spirituality. This holistic focus shapes students to live Islam as a complete way of life. Throughout their studies, students are immersed in Islamic values, beliefs, ethics, and character, cultivating sincerity, humility, and discipline within both learning and worship.

Structured as a six-year program, the course begins with a strong emphasis on Arabic language arts. This training equips students to engage directly with traditional Arabic texts and provides the tools for advanced study in the core sciences of Islam. With this linguistic base, students learn to access and appreciate the depth of scripture and scholarship as preserved and transmitted through generations.

The program then sharpens intellectual ability through the study of Fiqh, where students apply Islamic legal principles to daily life, fostering clarity of thought, analytical skill, and moral responsibility. In the later years, students also engage with ‘aqliyyāt and ‘ilm al-kalām, training in logic, reasoning, and Sunni theology. This prepares them to confront modern ideologies such as atheism, materialism, and secularism with intellectual clarity and conviction. The course culminates in the study of Qur’an and Ḥadīth, approached only after students have acquired the necessary foundations in language, jurisprudence, and theology. At this advanced stage, they enter into the wisdom of revelation with precision and depth. Graduates thus emerge as heirs of the scholarly tradition, equipped with knowledge, refined through practice, and prepared to serve as imams, teachers, scholars, and community leaders, conveying Islam with both understanding and integrity.



3. Iftaa Program

An advanced specialization after completing the Alimiyyah program, focusing on training students to issue Fatawa (rulings). The program emphasizes research, fatwa writing, and applying classical fiqh to contemporary issues, preparing graduates to guide their communities with sound scholarship and wisdom.

4. Academics/Formal Studies

At Darul Uloom Canada, we recognize the importance of nurturing both the spiritual and academic growth of our students. Alongside Islamic studies, our Academic Department provides well-rounded education that prepares students for success in school, higher education, and beyond.

Our Academic Department offers:

- **In-Person Classes (Grades 6–8):** A supportive classroom environment focused on academic achievement, critical thinking, and strong study habits.
- **Online High School with Tutoring & Mentoring:** Flexible programs that combine structured learning with personalized support, ensuring students reach their academic potential.
- **English as a Second Language (ESL):** Classes designed to support new English speakers, helping them gain the language skills needed to excel in both academics and daily life.

In addition, we are actively working towards launching a full in-person high school program, providing students with a complete academic journey within an Islamic environment.



2026-2027 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

START OF SCHOOL: MONDAY, AUGUST 17TH, 2026

Exams	Alimiyyah/Academics	Tahfeeth
Midterms	Nov 9th – 13th	Nov 13th

Holiday	Date	Time
End of School	Fri, Nov 13th	12 PM
End of Break	Sun, Nov 29th	8 PM

Exams	Alimiyyah/Academics	Tahfeeth
1 st Term	Jan 25th – Feb 6th	-

Eid ul Fitr Holiday	Date	Time
End of School	Thu, Feb 25th	5 PM
End of Break	Sun, Mar 21st	8 PM

Eid ul Adha Holiday	Date	Time
End of School	Fri, May 14th	12 PM
End of Break	Sun, May 23rd	8 PM

**ANNUAL GRADUATION AND COMPLETION OF SAHIH
BUKHARI: SATURDAY, JUNE 19TH, 2027**

Exams	Alimiyyah/Academics	Tahfeeth
2 nd Term	Jul 7th – July 23rd	July 23rd

Summer Holiday	Date	Time
End of School Year 26-27	Fri, July 23rd	12 PM
Start of School Year 27-28	Sun, Aug 22nd	8 PM



Daily Schedule

8:00 – 8:25	Breakfast
8:25	Assembly
8:30 – 12:30	Classes (Tahfeedh/Alimiyyah/Academics)
12:30 – 2:00	Lunch Break / Recess
2:00 – 2:15	Zuhr Salah
2:15 - 4:15	Classes (Tahfeedh/Alimiyyah/Academics)
4:15 – 4:45	Islamic Studies
4:45 – 6:30	Recess
6:30 – 8:30	Mutala / Study Hall
8:30 – 10:30	Dinner Break / Recess
10:30 P.M	Bedtime

For students in the Tahfeedh Program, 2 hours a day are allocated for academic studies and 30 minutes for Islamic studies.



Admission Policy

Every admission application submitted is reviewed by the management. Each student is required to go through an interview process with their parents for an introduction.

An assessment may be done for all new students to ensure they are ready for their intended class. The main office should be contacted about any questions regarding fees.

Conditional Acceptance: All students will undergo a 30-day trial period during which the administration will evaluate academic performance, behavior, and overall compatibility with the school's program.

Health Policy

All admissions must include medical history and immunization records. Any health concerns must be communicated with the main office at the time of the interview.

Medical Emergencies

In cases of serious injury, the following protocol will be followed:

- Office staff will fill out an incident report
- The parents will be notified
- If there is a need to transfer the student to the hospital, a staff member will accompany the student if the parents are unavailable.



Campus Amenities

Students are welcome to use the campus amenities.

Amenities include:

- Fitness Center/Weight Room
- Soccer Field
- Volleyball Court
- Gymnasium & Basketball Court
- Library
- Swimming Pool & more!

Campus

Student Life & Dormitory Rules

Living on campus is a privilege and an important part of the Darul Uloom Canada experience. Students are expected to:

- Keep dorm rooms tidy and always organized.
- Observe lights-out times and remain in assigned rooms after curfew.
- Maintain silence in dorms during rest times.
- Use water and electricity responsibly.
- Not leave the premises without permission from the office.
- Refrain from bringing prohibited items (see code of conduct).
- Show kindness and consideration to roommates and supervisors.
- Follow the aadaab of living together — respecting privacy, avoiding loud conversations, and resolving conflicts peacefully.



Boarding Student Packing List

1. Clothing & Personal Items

- School uniforms (Thawb/Qamees with Kufi/Imamah)
- Sleepwear, undergarments, socks, towels
- Weather-appropriate gear (e.g. raincoat, winter jacket, boots)
- Athletic wear for the gym & soccer field (cleats, etc)
- Laundry basket, iron
- Toiletries (toothbrush, toothpaste, toilet paper, shampoo, etc.)
- Alarm clock
- Medication (Asthma inhaler, EpiPen, etc.)

2. Bedding

- Sheets (Twin), pillows, pillowcases
- Comforter/duvet and blanket
- Mattress protector (Twin - purchased from the office, \$25)

3. School Supplies

- Notebooks, folders, binders, calculator
- Pens, pencils, highlighters, backpack

4. Food & Snacks

- Non-perishable snacks (granola bars, chips, etc.)
- Reusable water bottle



Student Code of Conduct

1. Appearance & Dress code

- Students at our school should always maintain a neat appearance
- Always maintain cleanliness (Taharah) & ablution (Wudhu)
- Hair should all be one size; the moustache should be trimmed and the beard lengthened
- Nails should be cut on Fridays
- Our uniform is a Thawb /Qamees & Kufi/Imamah
- Thawb & Pants should always be kept above the ankles
- Sweaters & hoodies should not have large print, graphics or logos
- **Shorts are not allowed at any time**

2. Good Character

- ‘The Muslim is a brother to a Muslim’ - Treat each other with respect
- **Students should socialize with peers of their own age group**, younger students with younger students and older students with older students
- Always avoid gossip & backbiting
- Follow staff & teacher instructions in class, no disruptive behavior
- Always ask permission before touching someone else’s belongings
- Students are encouraged to leave excess cash & valuables in the school office.



3. Responsibility & Punctuality

- Always be on time for Salah and class
- Take care of school property, **this is your home!**
- Bring all materials with you and arrive well prepared for class

4. Safety

- Students must not leave school grounds without permission from the Office.
- Students should not open the front door for strangers.

5. Zero Tolerance Policy

Weapons - Possession of firearms, knives, or any other dangerous objects.

Violence - Physical fighting, assaults, or threats of violence toward students or staff.

Drugs - Possession, use, or distribution of any type of drugs, Vapes/e-cigarettes and tobacco products, CBD or cannabis products, including oils and gummies

Bullying and Harassment - Severe or repeated incidents of bullying, especially involving race or incidents with minor students

Misconduct - Any form of Inappropriate behavior

Vandalism and Theft - Serious destruction of property or stealing from others.

Darul Uloom Canada has a Zero Tolerance Policy on the offences mentioned above.

Possession or involvement of any of the things listed will result in suspension/expulsion



Below is a list of items that are prohibited/permitted on our campus

Prohibited:	Permitted:
Fire and Heat Hazards • Lighters and matches • Space heaters • Toasters, toaster ovens • Microwaves • Extension cords Electronics • Game consoles (PlayStation, etc.) • Laptops • Ebook readers/Kindle • Tablets • Cellphones • Smart watches Dangerous Items • Pocket knives & box cutters • Weapons of any kind • Laser pointers Miscellaneous • Water guns	• Small personal fridge (cafeteria only) • Iron • Electric kettles (cafeteria only) • Power bars / surge protectors • Fitness trackers • ReMarkable e-ink tablets



DAILY MENU

WEEK 1 & WEEK 3

MON LUNCH: PASTA WITH CHICKEN
DINNER: RICE & CHICKEN CURRY

TUE LUNCH: RICE & CHICKEN CURRY
DINNER: CHICKEN CURRY & ROTI

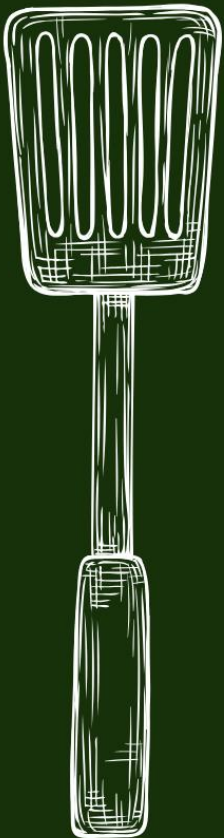
WED LUNCH: RICE & BEEF CURRY
DINNER: BURGERS & FRIES

THU LUNCH: CHICKEN BIRYANI
DINNER: CHICKEN KHEEMA

FRI LUNCH: RICE & LENTILS (DAAL)
DINNER: PASTA WITH CHICKEN

SAT LUNCH: RICE & CHICKEN CURRY
DINNER: PIZZA

SUN LUNCH: BURGERS
DINNER: CHICKEN FRIED RICE





DAILY MENU

WEEK 2 & WEEK 4

MON LUNCH: PASTA WITH CHICKEN
DINNER: BUTTER CHICKEN

TUE LUNCH: RICE & CHICKEN CURRY
DINNER: CHICKEN CURRY & ROTI

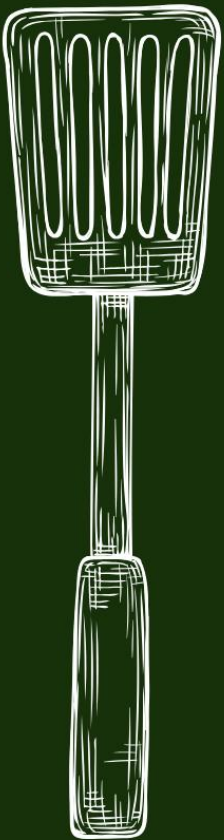
WED LUNCH: RICE & BEEF CURRY
DINNER: BURGERS & FRIES

THU LUNCH: CHICKEN BIRYANI
DINNER: CHICKEN & VEGETABLES

FRI LUNCH: RICE & LENTILS (DAAL)
DINNER: FRIED CHICKEN

SAT LUNCH: RICE & CHICKEN CURRY
DINNER: PIZZA

SUN LUNCH: BURGERS & FRIES
DINNER: CHOW MEIN NOODLES





Disciplinary Policy

A system of disciplinary consequences is how a student is held accountable and given feedback on his behavior that may violate procedures and regulations. All student behavioral matters will be documented for record-keeping and follow-up purposes.

Infractions & Discipline

Tier 1 – Minor Infractions

Common Behaviors:

- Talking out of turn, not following directions
- Tardiness, forgetting materials
- Eating in class
- Misuse of school property (e.g., drawing on desks)
- Inappropriate social behavior (teasing, etc)

Discipline:

1st offense: Reminder, seat change

2nd offense: 1 day detention

3rd offense: Office intervention, inform parents



Tier 2 – Moderate Infractions (Repeated/Disruptive Behavior)

Common Behaviors:

- Repeated Tier 1 behaviors (pattern)
- Mild disrespect, talking back
- Minor dishonesty

Discipline:

1st offense: Written apology to teacher, 1 day detention

2nd offense: 3 days detention, documentation in official student record (Incident report), inform parents

3rd offense: Immediate removal from class, documentation in official student record (Incident report), inform parents, 1 day in school suspension

Tier 3 – Major Infractions (Immediate Administrative Action)

Common Behaviors:

- Fighting or physical aggression
- Bullying, harassment (verbal, physical)
- Vandalism or theft
- Trespassing/entering restricted areas (Pool, Computer Lab, etc.)
- Threats or intimidation
- Severe insubordination or defiance



- Academic dishonesty (test cheating, plagiarism)
- Repeated Tier 2 behaviors despite interventions

Discipline:

1st offense: Immediate removal from class, Documentation in official student record (Incident report), Parent phone call, 3 days out of school suspension

2nd offense: Immediate removal from class, Documentation in official student record (Incident report), 1 week out of school suspension, re-entry meeting after suspension

3rd offense: Expulsion

Tier 4 – Zero Tolerance

- Possession of weapons, firearms, knives or other dangerous objects
- Possession or use of drugs, e-cigarettes, vapes, etc.
- Misconduct / Explicit behavior

Discipline:

Immediate Expulsion



Policy on Cellphones/Electronics:

To maintain a focused, distraction-free environment, cell phones, laptops etc. are not permitted. For students to stay connected with their families, pay phones are available on campus for their use.

Discipline:

1st offense: Device confiscated, documentation in official student record (Incident report), parent phone call, device returned upon final exit from Darul Uloom.

2nd offense: Device confiscated, Documentation in official student record (Incident report), 1 week out of school suspension, re-entry meeting after suspension, device returned upon final exit from Darul Uloom.

3rd offense: Expulsion

Policy on leaving school grounds without permission:

For the safety of all students, leaving campus is strictly prohibited unless permission has been granted by school administration.

Discipline:

1st offense: 3 days detention, documentation in official student record (Incident report), inform parents

2nd offense: 1 week detention, documentation in official student record (Incident report), inform parents

3rd offense: Documentation in official student record (Incident report), 3 days out of school suspension



ATTENTION!

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE NOT ALLOWED ON CAMPUS



POCKET KNIVES & SHARP OBJECTS



LIGHTERS, FIREWORKS & FLAMMABLE ITEMS



LASER POINTERS



CELLPHONES & TABLETS



GAMING DEVICES



VAPING/SMOKING OF ANY KIND

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE STRICTLY PROHIBITED ON CAMPUS. POSSESSION OF ANY OF THESE ITEMS IS CONSIDERED A SERIOUS VIOLATION OF SCHOOL POLICY AND MAY RESULT IN DISCIPLINARY ACTION, INCLUDING SUSPENSION/EXPULSION.



Holiday Travel Policy

Early Departures & Late Returns

The school calendar is published in advance to allow families sufficient time to make travel arrangements. To maintain consistency and discipline, students are required to **adhere strictly** to published term dates and holiday schedules.

Early Departures

- Students are expected to remain on campus until the official dismissal time before holidays.
- Early departures are **not permitted** except in cases of medical emergency, family emergency, or unavoidable travel circumstances.
- A request must be submitted by parents/guardians by email to studentservices@ducanada.org & office@ducanada.org at least **two weeks in advance** for consideration.
- Unauthorized early departures will be recorded as **unexcused absences** and will result in disciplinary action in the form of detention/suspension.

Late Returns

- Students must return to campus by the designated date and time at the end of each holiday.
- Any delay in return requires prior approval from the school administration.



- Late returns without approval will be treated as **unexcused absences** and may result in:
 - 1 week detention for 1st offense
 - 1 week suspension for 2nd offense

Repeated Non-Compliance

Persistent disregard for school travel policies will be considered a violation of the school's code of conduct and may result in disciplinary action, up to and including expulsion.

Responsibilities of Parents/Guardians

- Ensure all travel is booked well in advance to align with school dates.
- Inform the school immediately in case of unavoidable delays (e.g., flight cancellations).
- Submit written requests for any exception **before** the departure or return date to: studentservices@ducanada.org/office@ducanada.org

Absence Policy

- If a student will be absent, the parents must provide the reason by calling the main office at 519 360-1028 or studentservices@ducanada.org
- If a valid reason is not given for a student's absence, the parents will receive a call from the main office.
- If a student is absent on a test day without a valid reason, they will not be given a chance to retake the test.

Travelling is not a valid reason for absences.



Leave of Absence

- If, under any circumstances, students are required to travel or leave school for more than 3 days, they must inform the main office a week before.
- If they leave school for more than a week, they are required to inform the main office a month before.

Appointments

- If due to an appointment, your child needs to leave or enter school property, you must inform the main office. Include what time you will come to pick them up or drop them off.

Respecting School Property

Students are expected to **treat all school property with care and respect**, including classrooms, furniture, books, equipment, technology, and shared spaces. Deliberate damage, theft, or misuse of school property will result in disciplinary action & parents will be required to compensate the school for any loss or damage.

Parent Communication

Regular communication between teachers and parents is vital. We believe in maintaining open lines of communication and will provide periodic updates through our email newsletter regarding school events, holidays, and other important information.

Parents may also contact the main office at **(519) 360-1028** to make an appointment with their child's teacher.

Our staff are here to care for and support you and your child, just as we hope to be treated with kindness and respect in return.



Non-discrimination Statement

Darul Uloom Canada admits students of any race, color, gender, national or ethnic origin and accords them all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally made available to students at the school. The school does not discriminate in the administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship programs, athletic programs, or any other school-administered activities.

Conclusion

The “Darul Uloom Canada Student Handbook” is a key resource for families. It outlines the school’s policies and practices that apply to all students. By enrolling a child at Darul Uloom Canada, parents and students acknowledge that they have read, understood, and agree to follow these policies.

The administration reserves the right to enforce the rules outlined in this handbook as deemed appropriate and to amend its contents at any time. Parents will be informed of any changes. For questions or concerns not covered in this handbook, please contact the main office at office@ducanada.org or studentservices@ducanada.org

وَقُلْ رَبِّ زِدْنِي عِلْمًا

**“And say, My Lord!
Increase me in knowledge!”**





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