



Omar Ibn Al-Khattab Academy In-person Learning Policy

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Review Cycle: Every year or as required by Alberta Education

Rationale

The In-Person Learning Regulation (13/2025) requires schools to ensure that in-person learning opportunities are available for students. This regulation was introduced following school closures during the COVID-19 pandemic and provides direction that in-person learning must remain the primary mode of instruction unless otherwise directed under the Public Health Act, the Emergency Management Act, or through a Ministerial Order.

Omar Ibn Al Khattab Academy supports in-person learning as an essential component of effective education. The Academy recognizes that in-person learning helps address the academic, social, emotional, and physical needs of students through daily interaction, structured learning environments, and meaningful engagement within the school community. The Board further acknowledges that in-person learning plays an important role in reducing barriers that students and families may experience and in promoting student success and well-being. Guided by Islamic values that emphasize the pursuit of knowledge and personal growth, the Academy is committed to providing a safe, supportive, and respectful learning environment that enables students to thrive academically, socially, and spiritually.

Policy Statement

The board of Omar Ibn Al-Khattab Academy gives this responsibility to the principal to ensure that in-person learning options are available to all the students unless directed otherwise through Ministerial Order, Regulation, or other means instituted by the Government of Alberta. The board recognizes that there may be a need to move to at-home learning due to health and/or other reasons for a limited period.

Procedure

1. The board will ensure that in-person learning for all the grades is provided to all students.
2. The school shall only move away from in-person learning in the case of emergencies or under the direction of a Ministerial Order or the Chief Medical Officer of Health.
3. Any health measures recommended or directed by the Chief Medical Officer of Health or the Minister of Education and Childcare shall be implemented by the school. In circumstances where a recommended or directed measure involves an intervention applied to the body (e.g., vaccination), parental or guardian authorization is required for students under 16 years of age.
4. The board will work with the principal to ensure that all the in-person learning requirements provided by the Government of Alberta are met.

5. The board shall develop administrative procedures that outline ongoing in-person learning requirements when temporary at-home learning may be instituted as outlined in Regulation 13/2025.
 - 5.1. The administrative procedure shall ensure that the at-home learning programming aligns with the courses offered during in-person learning.
 - 5.2. The administrative procedure shall ensure continuity of courses from in-person learning to a shift to at-home learning.
 - 5.3. The administrative procedure shall ensure that the parents are notified in case of any partial or whole shift to at-home learning. The parents will be informed of the procedure of its implementation and the reason behind the shift.
 - 5.4. The administrative procedure will address how students who do not have computers will have access to at-home learning.
6. The board shall inform the Minister of Education immediately if it is determined that the school will move to at-home learning without an in-person learning option.
7. The board shall inform the Minister of Education immediately if the in-person learning option is reinstated.

References:

- Education Act
- In-Person Learning Regulation
- Alberta Regulation (13/2025)
- Public Health Act
- Protection of Students with Life Threatening Allergies Act

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