

The UAE National Agenda Parameters

In 2014, H.H. Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid launched the UAE National Agenda. It includes a set of strategic educational targets that shape the next phase of educational development in the UAE. The targets cover a wide range of areas that will have an impact on the quality of education and as well as students' achievements across the different phases.

"Education is a fundamental element for the development of a nation and the best investment in its youth." UAE VISION 2021

The UAE Vision 2021 National Agenda emphasizes the development of a first-rate education system, which will require a complete transformation of the current education system and teaching methods. The National Agenda aims for all schools, universities and students to be equipped with Smart systems and devices as a basis for all teaching methods, projects and research. There will also be significant investments to promote and reinforce enrollment in preschools as this plays an important role in shaping children's personalities and their future.

Objectives – UAE National Agenda

	<p>PISA: to be among the 20 highest performing countries</p>		<p>TIMSS: to be among the 15 highest performing countries</p>
	<p>Completion of high school education: to ensure that 90% of Emirati students complete their high school education</p>		<p>Attending pre-primary: to ensure that 95% of children in the UAE attend pre-primary education</p>
	<p>High skills in Arabic language: to ensure that 90% of Grade 9 students develop high skills in Arabic language in the UAE NAP assessment.</p>		<p>Highly quality teachers: to ensure that 100% of schools have high-quality teachers</p>
	<p>Highly effective school leadership: to ensure that 100% of public schools have highly effective school leadership</p>		<p>University foundation programme: to ensure that no students need to join the university foundation programme.</p>

TIMSS: (Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study) is a large-scale international assessment of mathematics and science in Grade 4 and Grade 8, conducted by the International Association for the Evaluation of Educational Achievement (IEA).
<https://timss2019.org/wp-content/uploads/frameworks/T19-Assessment-Frameworks.pdf>

What are Mirdif American Schools Results and Targets?

2019 Performance against set targets	Grade 4		Grade 8	
	Mathematics	Science	Mathematics	Science
Your TIMSS 2019 Target Scores based on 2015 results	524	526	537	529
Actual TIMSS 2019 Scores	535	547	500	518

Your School New 2023 targets				
Grade	Grade 4		Grade 8	
Subject	Mathematics	Science	Mathematics	Science
TIMSS 2023 Target Range	550 - 555	562 - 567	520-525	533-538

National Priorities – School Inspection Focus Areas

School inspections will evaluate how well schools are addressing the National Agenda targets through the curriculum and teaching, and how effective the provision is in raising attainment in these areas. The UAE School Inspection Framework continues to be the basis of school evaluations.

The National Priorities key focus areas include:

- The provision for, and achievement of Emirati students
- Provision and effectiveness of moral education
- Planning, teaching, assessment and learning of UAE social studies
- The provision for, and achievements of, students with special educational needs and disabilities
- The development of innovation within schools' curricula
- Reading literacy