



Salina Intermediate

The Wildcat Corner



April Upcoming Dates:

- March 28-April 1: No School (Spring Break)
- April 13: Late Start
- April 13: PSAT and M-STEP Begins
- April 13: 6th Grade Imagination Station
- April 13: 7th Grade Ann Arbor Hands on Museum
- April 13: Parent Teacher Conferences 3:30-6:30 (Elementary School)
- April 14: Parent Teacher Conferences 3:30-6:30 (Middle School)
- April 15: No School (Good Friday)
- April 20: Mobile Food Pantry
- April 28: Care to the Core



Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress (M-STEP)

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress (M-STEP) testing window this school year is **April 11- May 20, 2022**. Students in grades 4th-7th will take **M-STEP** English Language Arts and the Mathematics assessments. Eighth graders will take the **PSAT (ELA and Math) on April 13th**. M-STEP Science and Social Studies tests will be given in grades 5th & 8th.

For more information please visit Michigan Department of Education:

www.michigan.gov/mde/

[M-Step Parent Letter and Testing Schedule](#)

Ramadan by Lamees Haidarah

The holy month of Ramadan marks the time Muhammed (pbuh) was given the first chapters of the Quran. Muslims fast from dawn till dusk. It is a time of appreciating your blessings, denying pleasures, and spending time with family. Also people raise money and donate supplies to help others in need. And many fast to remind themselves about those in the world who don't have enough to eat. Eid is a day which Muslims all over the world celebrate. It's the day after Ramadan ends. During these times Muslims are thankful, pray, and make dua. After fasting for 30 days Eid is the first day Muslims don't fast and enjoy their day with their families.

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Office Staff Interview by Sara Hussein (5th Grader)

Questions	Ms. Raja	Ms. Reema	Ms. Mary	Ms. Fran
What is your favorite food?	Fries	Biryani	Greek Salad	Aseed
What are some hobbies you like to do after school?	I like to go swimming after school.	I like to cook and watch the news.	I like to go to the gym.	I read to read and work on word searches.
If you could live anywhere, where would it be? Why?	Lebanon because it is beautiful.	New Zealand because it's a beautiful country.	California because you get the mountains and oceans.	I would love to live in Florida.
What makes you happy? What makes you angry?	What makes me happy is when students are good. What makes me angry is when students misbehave.	My children make me happy. When my children misbehave it makes me angry.	The sunshine makes me happy. Bad weather makes me sad.	I'm happy when everyone around me is happy. I'm angry when someone is rude or disrespectful.
Who is your hero? Someone you look up to? Why?	My mom and dad.	My father is my hero because he is honest and loyal.	Michelle Obama because she's a great lady and leader.	My youngest daughter is my hero because she helps me.
How long have you been at Salina?	20 years	I have been here since preschool.	13 years	26 years



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Children's Book Recommendation

Information about author:

Amjaad Al-Hussain has never been to Yemen, but it's very much a part of her identity. Born in New Jersey and raised in Falls Church, the Yemeni-American grew up immersed in Yemeni culture and traditions - including, of course, eating Yemeni food. She has documented her family recipes in a new self-published cookbook called *Sifratna*, meaning "our dining table."

Summary of Eid Ka'ak

Fatemah and Yahya are Yemeni-American kids celebrating Eid (a Muslim holiday) in America. Learn more about their Eid traditions and favorite baked Eid Ka'ak.

[Click here to order a copy of the book.](#)



Art Show

Dearborn Public Schools City Wide Art Show starts April 5. The Opening Reception will be between 4:30PM and 7PM at the Padzieski Gallery inside the Ford Community and Performing Arts Center. This show will run until April 26th. The gallery hours are Tuesday - Friday 9:30AM - 3:30PM, and Saturday 12-4PM.

Salina Intermediate congratulates our students who have been selected to showcase their work

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Amjaad's Ka'ak Recipe

Dough Ingredients:

1 cup plain whole fat yogurt
½ cup vegetable oil
1 whole egg at room temperature
1 tbsp white vinegar
1 tbsp room temperature ghee
3 tbsp baking powder
3 cups all purpose flour
Pinch of salt

Filling & Topping:

Date paste
2 egg yolks
1 tbsp milk
Black nigella seeds

Instructions:

1. Preheat oven to 350 F.
2. Combine all the dough ingredients in a stand mixer. Use the dough handle attachment and beat on medium-high speed until the dough comes together in one piece and the sides of the mixing bowl is clean. If you are using a regular bowl, transfer the mixed dough onto a generously floured surface and knead it until the dough is smooth.
3. Cover the dough with plastic wrap and allow it to rest for 30 to 60 minutes.
4. Use a rolling pin to roll out the dough on a generously floured surface. About ¾ to 1 inch.
5. Use a round cookie cutter to cut out circles.
6. Fill the dough circles with date paste, fold in half, then seal the edges. The traditional method is to crimp a braid, but you can seal your ka'ak in any way you like.
7. Arrange the ka'ak on a sheet pan lined with parchment paper. Mix the egg yolks and milk then brush the mixture onto all the ka'ak.
8. Top off the ka'ak with black nigella seeds.
9. Bake until golden brown.





Free June 27- July 28

Salina Intermediate Summer Fun Camp

**MONDAY- THURSDAY
9AM-2PM**

**REGISTRATION
OPEN TO ALL
STUDENTS!**

2022 SUMMER CAMP WILL INCLUDE:

ALL IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION AND ACTIVITIES

HANDS-ON LEARNING

SPORTS AND SWIMMING

COOKING, ART AND STEAM

AND MORE!

**FREE
BREAKFAST
AND
LUNCH**

PROGRAM TAUGHT BY SALINA TEACHERS AND STAFF