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RE: Help your Muslim students feel safe and included in the classroom this Ramadan

Dear Educators,

Thank you for your continued efforts in educating our brightest minds in Florida. We are grateful for your service and dedication to serving our schools. From the CAIR-Florida team to you, we wanted to share with you some useful information that may help your Muslim students in the classroom.

Many of them will be celebrating three of Islam's most important holidays in the 2024 school year: Ramadan, Eid al-Fitr, and Eid al-Adha. This year, the holidays fall on the following dates:

Ramadan	Eid al-Fitr	Eid al-Adha
March 10, 2024	April 10, 2024 +/- one day	June 20, 2024 +/- one day

*Due to Islamic dates following a lunar calendar, dates are based on the sighting of the moon.

Ramadan is a holy month for Muslims across the globe. Muslims take part in the tradition of the Prophet Muhammad, peace be upon him, in obligatory fasting for 30 consecutive days. In addition, many Muslims take the month to increase their spiritual works including communal prayers (Taraweeh), studying the Qur'an, and spending time at mosques across Florida.

Many Muslims wake up before dawn to eat a meal to prepare for the fast of the day (suhoor). Then, for the entire day, Muslims abstain from eating food or drinking water until sunset. Joining friends and family, they will break their fast (iftar) and worship their Lord thereafter.

Eid Al-Fitr signifies the end of the month of Ramadan and is one of two holidays central to the Islamic faith. The second Islamic holiday is Eid Al-Adha, which signifies the end of Hajj, Islam's annual holy pilgrimage to Makkah. Both days are commemorated by Muslims worldwide through prayer and celebration per their unique faith traditions.

How can you support Muslim students during Ramadan?

Are your Muslim students more tired, thirsty, or hungry?

Give your students a break to rest.



Show your school is the coolest on the block!

Add Ramadan, Eid-ul-Fitr and Eid-ul-Adha to your calendar.



Sometimes, a Muslim student might not be fasting.

Not all Muslim students fast due to **health concerns or personal matters.**



Want to welcome your students in Ramadan?

Say Ramadan Mubarak! (moo-baa-rak)

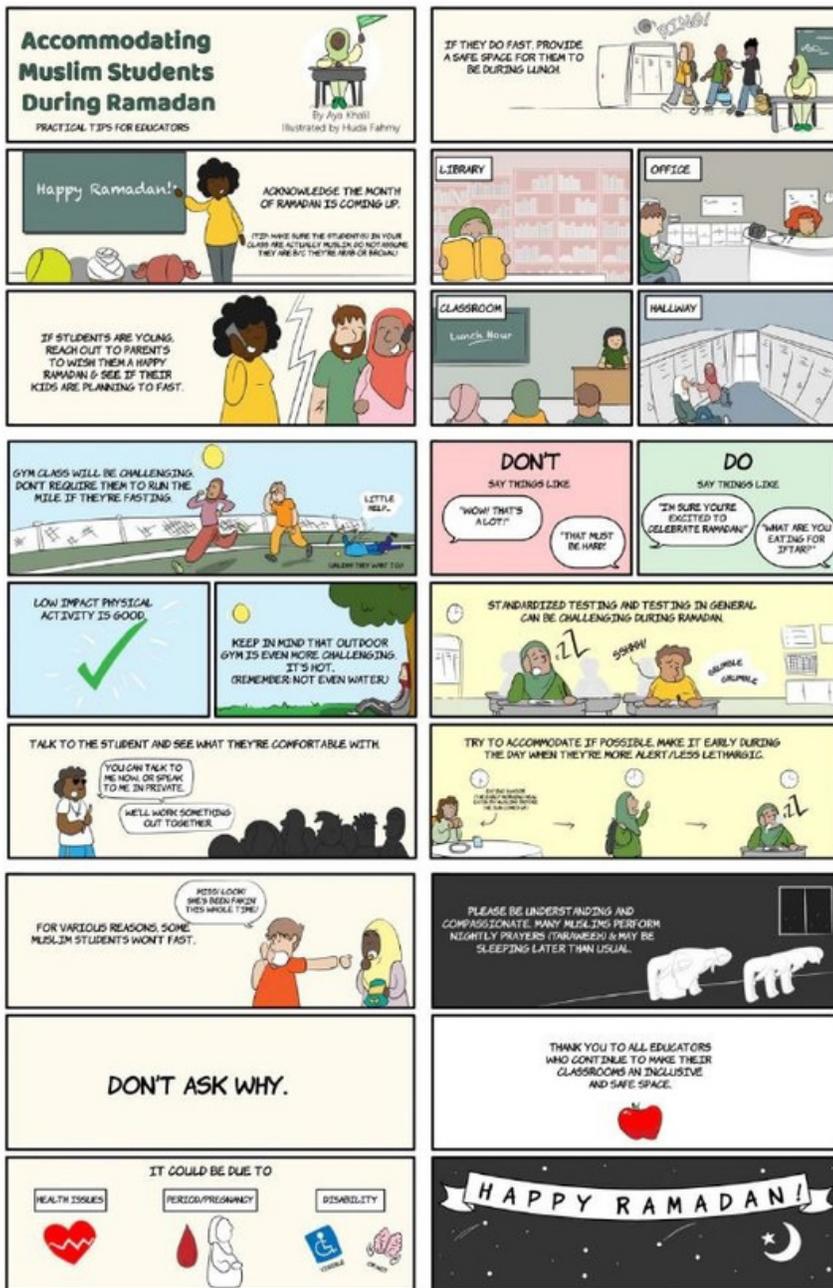


Your students have rights at school.

Federal Law provides religious exemptions for school absences and accommodations.



Ramadan Mubarak
from CAIR-Florida



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By taking the time to accommodate your student's religious needs, you are helping promote a safer, more inclusive environment for all students. Thank you for leading by example.

Please do not hesitate to contact our office via e-mail at info@fl.cair.com or via phone at **833-CAIRFLA (833-224-7352)** with any questions.

Sincerely,
CAIR-Florida Team

P.S. Looking for free training for your faculty and students? Contact us regarding our diversity workshops to learn more about Islamic beliefs, practices, and more. Email us at info@fl.cair.com or call us, we would be happy to help!

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