



Press Release: OAKS Assessment Results and ISMET/OIA Academic Achievements in 2012-13

Tigard, Oregon, USA July 23, 2013 - The Muslim Educational Trust is proud to release overall school results of both the Islamic School of MET (ISMET - Grades PreK-5) and Oregon Islamic Academy (OIA - Grades 6-12) for the Oregon Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (OAKS) in the 2012-2013 academic year. 3rd and 4th graders were tested in mathematics and reading/literature, 5th and 11th graders were tested in mathematics, reading/literature, and science, while 8th graders were tested in mathematics, reading/literature, science, and social studies.

Overall, ISMET/OIA students performed well.

- 76% of all ISMET tests taken (in mathematics, reading/literature, and science) met or exceeded state expectations (with 48% of all tests exceeding state expectations).
- 63% of ISMET students exceeded expectations on at least one test.
- 52% of ISMET students exceeded expectations in mathematics.
- 46% of ISMET students exceeded expectations in reading/literature.
- 79% of all OIA tests taken (in mathematics, reading/literature, science, and social studies) met or exceeded state expectations (with 38% of tests exceeding state expectations).
- 54% of OIA students exceeded state expectations on at least one test.
- 92% of OIA students met or exceeded in reading/literature (with 54% exceeded state expectations, with 44% of all students 8th grade students scoring in the 96th+ percentile).

The 3rd, 4th, 5th, 8th, and 11th graders performed comparably with or outperformed many of the leading individual public school districts in many or all subject areas. These districts include the Beaverton Public School District, Lake Oswego Public School District, Portland Public Schools District, and the Tigard-Tualatin Public School District.

The 3rd, 4th, and 8th graders were especially strong. As a group, 82% of them

exceeded expectations in mathematics, with 45% of the class scoring in the 90th+ percentile. 80% of 4th graders met or exceeded expectations in both mathematics and reading/literature, and 50% of them exceeded expectations in reading. Multiple scores were in the 99th percentile of all scores in Oregon. Not to be outdone, 89% of 8th graders met or exceeded expectations in reading/literature with 67% exceeding expectations; there were multiple scores in the 96th+ percentile of Oregon 8th graders, with a few in the 99th percentile. 67% of 8th graders exceeded expectations in mathematics, with multiple scores in the 90th+ percentiles. Although it is difficult to compare district scores with a single school's performance, the number of students who exceeded expectations in various subjects at such high percentiles an impressive statistic: Very few, if any, other school districts can boast as high of a percentage of any one grade class exceeding state expectations in any one subject with such a large percentage of students scoring in such high percentiles.

Alhamdulillah (Praise be to God) for this unique accomplishment of our Islamic School of MET and Oregon Islamic Academy students. We are grateful to our teachers, parents, students, volunteers, and school management for a happy and successful 2012-2013 school year, and pray for many more to come, inshaa Allah (God willing).

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