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JSS PRIVATE SCHOOL

Pre-K to Grade 12 **JSSPS/CTP/PO/GEN/078/26-27**
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Subject: Circular for parents for UAE National Anthem Observance

Dear Parents,

Greetings from JSS Private School.

In accordance with the Knowledge and Human Development Authority (KHDA) Standards for UAE National Anthem Observance, we would like to share with our school community the expectations relating to the respectful observance of the UAE National Anthem.

The UAE National Anthem is a powerful symbol of unity, pride and belonging. Its observance provides our students with a meaningful opportunity to strengthen their sense of civic identity, shared responsibility and connection with the values, culture and national identity of the UAE. The KHDA policy also reinforces the principles of belonging, respectful conduct and inclusion for every member of the school community.

National Anthem Observance at School

The UAE National Anthem will be played every school day, either as part of an assembly or through the school's Public Address (PA) system. In addition, every student will have the opportunity to participate in a shared physical assembly for the National Anthem at least once each week.

The UAE National Anthem will also be played at the beginning of formal school events, including school performances, open days, sports days, International Day, graduation ceremonies and observances connected with UAE National Day (Eid Al Etihad), Commemoration Day and Flag Day. This requirement also applies to formal virtual and hybrid school events.

Expected Conduct During the National Anthem

During the playing of the UAE National Anthem, students are expected to:

- stand upright and respectfully, where physically able;
- remain still and give their full attention;
- face the UAE flag where it is displayed; and
- demonstrate respectful conduct throughout the anthem.

Students are encouraged to sing along and develop an understanding of the lyrics and their meaning; however, singing is encouraged rather than a formal requirement.

For our younger learners in FS1/Pre-K, FS2/KG1 and Year 1/KG2, expectations are age appropriate. Calm, attentive and respectful participation is the standard, rather than formal posture, sustained stillness or accurate singing.

Inclusive Participation

JSS Private School remains committed to ensuring that every student is meaningfully included. Students of Determination and students who may have mobility, health, sensory or additional learning needs will be supported to participate in a manner appropriate to their individual needs.

Reasonable adjustments may include seated or supported participation, reduced exposure to crowds, sensory support, adult assistance or other appropriate arrangements, while preserving the student's dignity and inclusion within the wider school community.

Expectations for Parents and Visitors

We request the cooperation of all parents and visitors who may be on the school premises when the UAE National Anthem is played.

Parents and visitors are expected to pause their activities, stand respectfully and give their full attention for the duration of the National Anthem. This applies even when a parent or visitor is on the premises only briefly, including while accompanying a child to class.

During the National Anthem, parents and visitors should refrain from using mobile phones, engaging in conversation or undertaking any activity that may distract from or undermine the respectful observance of the anthem.

We seek the support of every member of the JSS Private School community in modelling these expectations for our students. Through our collective observance of the UAE National Anthem, we reinforce respect, belonging, civic responsibility and appreciation for the nation we call home.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support.

Warm Regards
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Chitra Sharma
Principal