



Frequently Asked Questions About Mad Science®

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What is Mad Science®?

Mad Science® is the world's leading provider of educational science enrichment to elementary school-aged children. Our mission is to spark the imagination and curiosity of children everywhere by providing them with fun, entertaining and exciting activities that instill a clear understanding of what science is really about and how it affects the world around them.

Which years can register for the program?

Each school and programme has a particular age range but there are suitable Mad Science classes available for KG to year 6.

How big are the classes?

We believe in quality over quantity so we limit each class to 22 students. If we have more than 25 paid registrants who wish to participate, we may be able to offer an additional class (with the school's approval) to fill this need. Subject to enrolment, the children will be grouped by similar ages.

Late Registration?

If you have missed the registration deadline, please call our office to verify that there are still spaces available.

Registration and Waiting Lists

Registration forms are accepted on a "first-come, first served" basis.

What does my child get out of it?

Mad Science® Programmes get children excited about science so that they go back to their parents and teachers wanting to learn more. Some parents have even told us that their children's science grades have gone up after taking our After School Programme. **A 2006 educational study found that participation in Mad Science® led to a significant increase in students' knowledge of science content and concepts.**

How will you confirm each student's registration?

We will email you a reminder to confirm the times and dates of the programme at the school. If you do not have an email address we will attempt to contact you by telephone. If you register your email address with us, we will be able to keep you informed of Mad Science activities and events in Bahrain.

What if my child misses a session?

Please report your child's absence to the Mad Science® office by providing your child's full name, grade and school. Each class has an independent topic and the classes do not have to be taken in any particular order. If a child is absent one week, it does not affect the child's participation in other classes. Unfortunately, due to scheduling differences and class size limits, missed classes cannot always be made up but the child will be presented with the take-home project they missed

Who is responsible for my child's attendance?

Parents are responsible for their child's attendance at our after school programme. We work with school staff and parents to facilitate the safe transition of students to and from our after school programme. We will attempt to contact the school office or the parent in the event of an unexplained student absence.





How will the children be dismissed after each class?

This is arranged on a school by school basis but typically students are brought to the main gate by their Mad Science instructor at the end of the session.

Please do not leave your child unattended after the Mad Science® class.

The child will remain in the care of a Mad Science® Instructor until the parent or someone designated by the parent picks up the child. Parents agree to pick up their children promptly after class. Our Instructors may have other commitments and they cannot always stay and wait for you if you are running late.

Parents who know that they will be late picking up their child are asked to call the school office so that the message may be relayed to the appropriate Mad Science Instructor and appropriate arrangements made for the child.

What if my child has medical or other concerns?

Please let us know on the registration form. Attach a separate sheet of paper if required. If your child uses an EpiPen or asthma rescue inhaler, please advise us where it is stored in the event of an emergency. Kindly note that during Mad Science®, the school office may be locked. With the permission of the school, you may want to permit your child to carry prescribed emergency medical equipment in his/her backpack on Mad Science® days.

Class Cancellations?

Mad Science® reserves the right to cancel a program due to insufficient registration. Should we have to do so, we will strive to provide parents with as much notice as possible.

Once underway, Mad Science® classes will only be cancelled in the event of an emergency school closure. In other words, if the school is open, then Mad Science® classes are running!

Mad Science® classes will be scheduled around holidays. Classes missed due to holidays or school closures will be added to the end of the affected course as an extra class.

Is it an exciting, yet controlled, atmosphere?

Yes! Mad Science® strives at all times to provide fun science activities to all children. In an effort to fulfill this commitment, we ask that all children enrolled follow basic and clear behavioural guidelines as to appropriate conduct, which our Instructors cover at the beginning of every class. We realize that the hands-on, high-energy nature of our programme excites and motivates children. Our programmes are specifically designed to harness and direct that excitement. We may occasionally have to ask parents to remove their child from the programme if they are disruptive.

Do you have a guarantee?

Yes! Our guarantee is simple. You will be satisfied with Mad Science® or we will make it right. We are confident in, and put our reputation behind, the quality of our programmes and Instructors. If your child attends the first session of the course and does not wish to continue, you will be given a full refund.

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