AL ZUHOUR PRIVATE SCHOOL

AI, Emerging Technologies and Innovation Policy

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Purpose:

This policy outlines the framework for integrating **Artificial Intelligence (AI), Emerging Technologies**, and I**nnovative Practices** into teaching, learning, assessment, and AL ZUHOUR PVT. SCHOOL operations. It aims to ensure ethical, equitable, and future-focused use of technology, aligned UAE National Agenda goals.

Scope:

This policy applies to all students, teachers, administrative staff, school leaders, and third-party providers involved in the AL ZUHOUR PVT. SCHOOL's technology ecosystem.

Guiding Principles:

- Equity & Access: Ensure equal access to AI and digital tools for all learners.
- Ethical Use: Promote responsible, safe, ethical use of emerging technologies.
- Innovation in Learning: Encourage creative, student-centered use of technology to foster critical thinking and problem-solving.
- Digital Citizenship: Teach students to navigate AI and digital environments with integrity.
- Privacy & Data Protection: Protect student and staff data according to UAE Cybersecurity and global privacy standards.

AI & Emerging Technologies in Education

Teaching and Learning:

- Integrate AI tools (e.g., personalized learning platforms, intelligent tutors) to enhance engagement and outcomes.
- Support inquiry-based and project-based learning using emerging technologies (e.g., AR/VR, IoT, robotics).
- Encourage interdisciplinary learning linking technology to STEM, humanities, and the arts.

Assessment:

- Utilize AI-supported assessment tools for formative feedback, diagnostics, and adaptive testing.
- Ensure human oversight in AI-generated grading or recommendations.
- Promote assessment practices that value creativity, collaboration, and digital fluency.

Teacher Development & Innovation Culture:

- Provide ongoing professional development on AI literacy, coding, data ethics, and innovation practices.
- Establish Innovation Hubs or EdTech Labs for experimentation with cutting-edge tools.
- Recognize and reward teachers who adopt and lead technology integration and innovative practices.

Student Empowerment:

- Embed AI literacy, coding, digital creativity into the curriculum from early grades.
- Encourage student-led innovation (e.g., hackathons, robotics competitions, AI for good projects).
- Promote responsible AI use through lessons on bias, transparency, and human-AI collaboration.

Digital Safety, Security & Ethics:

- Reinforce safe online behavior, cyberbullying prevention, and digital wellbeing.
- Implement controls for AI tools with content moderation and age-appropriateness.
- Ensure AI use complies with MOE regulations and international data privacy laws.

Leadership & Governance:

- Form a Technology and Innovation Committee to oversee implementation and evaluation.
- Use data from AI tools to inform AL ZUHOUR PVT. SCHOOL improvement plans (with ethical and privacy considerations).
- Foster partnerships with universities, e-tech companies, and innovation incubators.

Monitoring and Evaluation:

- Conduct regular audits of AI tool effectiveness, bias, and alignment with learning goals.
- Gather feedback from students, parents, teachers on technology use.
- Report innovation outcomes in annual School Improvement Plan (SIP) reviews.
- This policy will be reviewed every year or as required by updates in UAE educational regulations and technological advancements.