

## As UAE Innovates this February, Dubai-Born School Reiterates Need to Reimagine Future Skills for Greater Social Impact

Renowned for its innovative approach to education, Citizens School underscores the need to reimagine traditional curricula to prepare learners for the future.

DUBAI, UAE, February 26, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ -- In line with the UAE Innovation Month, and as part of its commitment to reimagine education in the UAE, <u>Citizens School</u> has emphasised the need to develop future-focused skill sets and mindsets, embrace entrepreneurship and digital literacy, as well as reimagine the relationship between students and



At Citizens School, teachers are referred to as mentors because they facilitate a deeper understanding and guide the application of knowledge to develop skill sets and mindsets.

teachers as pivotal factors driving innovation within the education sector.

According to the <u>Future of Jobs Report 2023</u> by the World Economic Forum, 44% of workers' skills are set to be disrupted in the next five years, meaning that many of the jobs that current schoolaged children will perform - and the skills they need to succeed in them - have not even been created yet. With the explosive growth of technologies such as AI, companies are looking for more than just cognitive abilities as well as technological skill sets. Based on the report, leadership and social influence rank five times higher than their current level, with 'attitude' being among the most highly ranked.

With so much uncertainty surrounding the skills that ensure success, educators are tasked with preparing learners for careers that do not exist yet, for technologies that have not been invented, and for problems that have not been anticipated.

At a time like this, educators need to adapt alongside a fast-evolving demand for multi-faceted skill sets that include entrepreneurship, analytical and creative thinking, curiosity, resilience, and agility. Today, the role of a teacher goes beyond traditional learning models. Teachers are becoming mentors, building a strong relationship that paves the way for better education for learners. The teacher-to-mentor transition is about taking traditional subjects like science,



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maths, art and technology, and combining them within an interdisciplinary learning culture.

"Enrolment numbers are growing year on year, as more families from around the world call the UAE their home. The job market is set to become far more demanding, and we need to ensure the citizens of tomorrow are well-equipped to be part of that reality. At Citizens, we foster inquisitiveness, problem-solving, and adaptability – skills that are essential in any career path. Our learning framework cultivates a resilient, adaptable growth mindset," added Hisham Hodroge, CEO, Citizens School and Chief Investment Officer, Al Zarooni Emirates

## Investments.

Citizens has developed a comprehensive, inclusive, and engaging curriculum that meets and exceeds the UK National Curriculum and KHDA education requirements. Citizens School's Learning Framework cultivates intellectual, emotional, and social development to prepare learners for the future. Learners are encouraged to reflect on and understand their learning progression, fostering a practice of continuous improvement and self-awareness. The school has also been offering a dedicated entrepreneurship curriculum to inspire young minds aged between 3 (FS1) to 13 (Year 8).

Learn more at <a href="https://citizens.me/">https://citizens.me/</a>

## About Citizens School

Citizens School is a visionary school in Dubai, designed and developed by Al Zarooni Emirates Investments. Located in the heart of Dubai, the school has been at the forefront of educational innovation since its inception. With a learner-centred approach and a focus on experiential learning, the school combines the traditional academic excellence of the UK National Curriculum with cutting-edge skill development programs, preparing learners to excel in a rapidly changing world. The 43,000-square-metre school campus has a capacity for 2,600 children between the ages of three and 18 and features almost 3,000 square meters of open playing space. This includes a multi-purpose performing arts and activity hall, a six-lane swimming pool, and football and rugby pitches adhering to FIFA and World Rugby standards.

Learn more at <a href="http://citizens.me/">http://citizens.me/</a>

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