

IACC Elections 2024

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About Me:

Born and raised in Plano, I've been a part of the IACC community my whole life.

I am extremely fortunate & blessed to have been a part of various IACC masjid programs in my youth. From youth halaqas and Friday night Qiyaams, to taraweeh prayers and Eids, IACC was an integral part of my life as a Muslim youth.

As a graduate of the IACC Hifz Program and the Taqwa Seminary Suhba Program, my connection to this community runs deep. And now, as I move into adulthood, I have the desire to give back and support the masjid that gave me so much.

Throughout the past seven years, I've been actively involved in the Youth and Sports Committees. I've taken my passion for basketball and used it to organize PMBL (Plano Masjid Basketball League) leagues and tournaments for boys and young adults. Bringing Muslim youth together to play together and be around other Muslims has helped build a community of young people who play and pray together.

I've also served on the Operations Committee Team at IACC for several years. This combined with my current experience in the Corporate World has given me an in-depth understanding of what it takes to effectively run an organization as large as IACC.

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My Candidacy is Focused on Three Main Goals:

First, I aim to **Rebuild Transparency & Communication** within IACC by establishing systems in which the community is regularly informed and feedback is used effectively. Building a Framework that starts with regular Town Halls & Regular Community Updates is the first step. Also implementing a Feedback System for every community member to have their voice heard & listened to, is a vital part of a growing community. Brilliant Ideas can come from anyone; not just the people in the shura.

Second, I want to Lead projects with the guidance of the scholars around us that aim to bring the **Youth & Young Adults** to the Masjid. Our Masjid should be a welcoming place to all community members. Programs need to reference the diversity in our youth, and address issues that are relevant to what's happening in their lives. With an incoming Youth Director Inshallah, it is Vital to create a long term plan that will create a connection to the youth for decades to come

Lastly, I'm committed to **Revitalizing our Masjid Space**. From enhancing the aesthetics to improving functionality, I plan to push for necessary renovations, starting with the Multi-Purpose Hall & Speaker Systems. These upgrades will help create a more welcoming and efficient environment for all who visit and use the masjid.

I am excited to work together with you to make these changes, and build a stronger IACC for everyone Inshallah.