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**** ISC-Choueifat Wins Best Delegation Award in Model Arab League ****

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From May 30-31, 2015, sixteen Grade 10 and 11 students from the **International School of Choueifat** (ISC-Choueifat), one of three SABIS® Network schools in Lebanon, participated in the Model Arab League (MAL) event held at the Lebanese American University (LAU). One of 66 schools participating in the event, ISC-Choueifat was awarded **the Best Delegation Award** for their participation.

Established in December 2011, the LAU MAL is a comprehensive program that brings teams of students from across Lebanon together to speak about political, economic, and societal issues that influence the Arab world. Student delegates strive to come to an agreement on issues that diplomats are confronted with daily. As part of the annual MAL event, students participate in five training sessions to increase their knowledge of the Arab League. They learn how to debate, write position papers, and negotiate, among other things.

After initial training sessions come to a close, student delegates debate and form coalitions, so resolutions can be drafted and then passed during the conference's simulation sessions. Awards are then given out based on each school's performance as well as students' individual performances. This year, ISC-Choueifat students' preparation in advance of the event paid off.

In preparing for the event, ISC-Choueifat students participated in a number of training sessions designed to hone their research, public speaking, debate, and writing skills. They also worked on developing strong rhetorical and problem-solving skills.

"This was a team effort – from the students' willingness to accommodate the training schedule to their genuine can-do attitude. Working together, we were able to help the students shine," said the Academic Advisor to the MAL program at ISC-Choueifat, Mr. Fareed Halabi. *"Through intensive training and ongoing support, students were able to sharpen their minds and felt well-prepared for the LAU MAL final."*



ISC-Choueifat MAL Delegation

When the final results were in, not only did the ISC-Choueifat win the Best Delegation award, but 10 of the 16 team members had won individual awards for their exemplary performance. All ten of the awards, which included Best Delegate and honorable mentions, came with a four-year scholarship to LAU. In total, the ten awards come to approximately \$420,000.

As a member of the global SABIS® Network, ISC-Choueifat implements the SABIS® Educational System, a comprehensive program that provides students with a solid academic foundation, helps them develop essential life skills, and prepares them for success in university and beyond.

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