

Dear Al-Ridah Families:

As President of Al-Ridah Academy Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), I would like to welcome new families as well as returning families to the 2008-2009 school year. The PTO is a nonprofit volunteer organization that needs a high degree of participation for its success. Research suggests that parents involved in their children's education both at home and at school motivate children to do better in school; therefore, your participation and commitment is highly encouraged.

Through fundraising activities, volunteer efforts, and supporting school events, the goal of the PTO is to enhance the education of our students by ensuring that they have all the tools necessary to succeed. We welcome your suggestions and comments. I can be reached by email at [pto@alridah.org](mailto:pto@alridah.org).

We look forward to an exciting year at Al-Ridah. On behalf of the PTO, I invite you to join us in making this school year another memorable one!

Sincerely,  
Nahla Shahrouri  
PTO President 2008-2009

**PTO**

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