

# ADEK AI Literacy Initiative — Abu Dhabi Rolls Out a K-12 AI Framework, Twice-Yearly Skills Assessment and Tiered Teacher Training in 170+ Private Schools

AI in Education · Good practice · United Arab Emirates

Quality score: 33/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

## Summary

ADEK is rolling out a K-12 AI literacy framework in 170+ Abu Dhabi private schools, built with OECD, MIT, Microsoft and Khalifa University, with a twice-yearly AI growth test (Grades 4–12) and three-level training for a targeted 19,000 educators. No outcome results yet.

## Key dimensions

| Dimension                              | Score |
|----------------------------------------|-------|
| Evidence of learning impact            | 0/3   |
| Equity & inclusion                     | 1/3   |
| Transparency, ethics & data protection | 1/3   |
| Teacher capability & pedagogy          | 2/3   |
| Scalability & sustainability           | 1/3   |

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## Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-10-02

[Abu Dhabi Department of Education and Knowledge \(ADEK\)](#) — accessed 2026-10-02

[Emirates 24|7 report](#) — accessed 2026-10-02

[Gulf News report](#) — accessed 2026-10-02

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