

## Campus schools & district schools with a high school branch

This type of school combines a district school and a high school under one roof or at one location.

From grade 6 onwards, children can choose whether they want to take their high school diploma in 12 years (grammar school branch) or in 13 years (district school)

Examples are the Gyula Trebitsch School Tonndorf or the Campus HafenCity.

## Parental involvement

In order to build and sustain a good school, it needs to be shaped by all the participants working together.

That is why parental involvement in the school is encouraged and all parents are welcome. For any questions, make an appointment with the class teacher or the subject teacher and go to parent-teacher conferences and learning development meetings (LEG). You can get involved in the class parent representation for the benefit of all pupils. The events on parent participation (LI) show you how to do this.

The Federal Parents' Network of Migrant Organisations for Education & Participation is called bbt briefly.

The bbt is a network that supports parents' associations, parents' initiatives by and for immigrant parents.

The bbt aims to promote equal educational opportunities for all by informing, activating and empowering parents and strengthening parents' right to have a say.

The bbt has 5 regional offices in Germany and the Regional Office North is one of the five offices. The North Regional Office is run by the association Amfn e.V.

The North Regional Office includes:

- the MigrantParentsNetwork Hamburg
- the MigrantParentsNetwork Lower Saxony
- the MigrantParentsNetwork Bremen

# From primary school to district school? Or to the high school?



## Information for parents

### Wichtige Links:



District school



High school



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Who will help me at the end of elementary school with the decision?

Where does my child feel comfortable and at which school they support my child and encourage his or her skills?

These are the most important questions when changing to a secondary school.

In the digital SIS „Schulinformationssystem“ (School Information System) Hamburg you can search for the school that is suitable for your child and see whether lessons in your native language are offered.

Inform yourself about the school at a „Tag der offenen Tür“ (The open-doors day). On this day you can visit concerts or theatre performances to get an impression of the atmosphere at the school.

Start already when your child is in grade 3 to visit schools. Then, in class 4 you can check your choice in peace.

### Which type of school is right for my child?

As parents, you decide which school your child should go to. You should start to visit schools when your child is already in grade 3, so you can make a confident choice in grade 4, together with your child, which puts into account the abilities and interests of your child.

School marks and existing friendships with other children are also very important when choosing a new school.

In grade 4 of elementary school, two counseling sessions with the teachers are already offered.

Parents are informed about the learning development of their child and they are given advice on different options.

It is advisable to accept the offer and to ask all open questions.

### Registration periods for secondary schools:

Every year parents can register their child for grade 5 in the last week of January or the first week of February into the school of their choice, either at a district school (Stadtteilschule) or at a high school (Gymnasium).

## Stadtteilschule (District School)

District School leads to the „Abitur“ (High School Diploma) in 9 years.

District school provides a basic, extended or broad and in-depth universal education and enables the students to continue their career either profession-related or study-related.

At District School in grade 5 and 6 there are up to 23 students and in grade 7 to 10 up to 25 students. The students can acquire all school qualifications one after the other:

- Elementary Secondary School Degree (German: ESA)
- Middle School Degree (German: MSA)
- High School Diploma.

After grade 12, you are authorized (allowed?) to attend a „Fachhochschule“ (University of Applied Sciences).

The district school leads to the high school diploma (Abitur) in nine years.

High school diploma (Stadtteilschule)

Study level 13

Study level 12

Study level 11 / Preliminary stage

Secondary school leaving certificate

Study level 10

Primary school leaving certificate

Study level 9

Study level 8

Study level 7

Study level 6

Study level 5

## High School

High school diploma (an der Stadtteilschule)

Study level 12

Study level 11 / Preliminary stage

Intermediate school leaving certificate

Study level 10

First educational qualification

Study level 9

Study level 8

Study level 7

Study level 6

Study level 5

High School leads to the High School Diploma in 8 years. High School provides a broad and in-depth universal education and leads to the acquisition of the ability to do academic studies.

At High School in grade 5 to 10 there are up to 28 students.

Grade 5 and 6 are called the „Beobachtungsstufe“ (observation classes) of the High School. Students who don't fulfill the requirements at the end of grade 6, will have to change to a district school.

The school leaving certificates are:

- „Zentrale Überprüfung“ (short: ZÜ) = Central Exam it's the written and oral exam in the 2nd half of grade 10, in order to attend the „gymnasiale Oberstufe“ (equal to the last 2 years of High School)
- If the 1st semester report in class 10 contains the information that the middle school certificate (MSA) will probably be achieved, the student has to pass the exam for the Middle School Degree (MSA)
- Abitur (High School Diploma)

After grade 11, attending a „Fachhochschule“ (University of Applied Sciences) is possible.