

Welcome to our school and thank you for being here! We appreciate the fact that you want to help your child in the school.

So, this process can be successful, we want to share some important information with you.

### 1. Structure of the school

Our school is a high school. This means, that your child has the opportunity to obtain various degrees. Depending on the pace of learning of your children, they can obtain the lower secondary school leaving certificate (Hauptschulabschluss), the high school diploma (Realschulabschluss) or the extended secondary qualification I (erweiterten Sekundarabschluss I). With the help of these qualifications, the children have a wide range of educational opportunities to choose from.

If your child has very good grades and great performance in school, then he can do the Abitur (general qualification for university entrance) at a secondary school.

From 8<sup>th</sup> class, the students will be divided into different classes according to their ability and performance at school.

It is very important to us that all pupils get challenged and supported. This is especially necessary for pupils that are learning the German language as a second language.

On our homepage you will find a lot of further information about our school and everything current at a glance.

### 2. Commonality (Togetherness)

We have school rules in places that regulate the desired cooperation. You can find these rules translated in many languages on our homepage. The most important thing for us is the respectful interaction with everyone in the school including the pupils, teachers and school staff that work in the school.

Any kind of physical altercation is absolutely forbidden and will lead to expulsion from the school (The one who hits will go!). We expect that every pupil to be on time for class.

We have many kind pupils and, in the secretary, and teacher's room are also many colleagues that are always ready to help with any problem. You just have to dare to ask, and you will get helped.

If your child is ill, then you have to call the school to inform them. Give your child's name and class: "My daughter Maja Mustermann from class 6a is ill today!". This is enough!

If you as parents have questions and problems, then you can ask us anytime!

### 3. Learning

In Germany there is a school obligation which means that your child has to come everyday to school. It is also important that you support your child's learning. Your child should everyday learn German vocabulary. The following options are available for it:

- German radio or television
- Learning apps (Anton, Duolingo etc.)
- Joint reading of simple books, comics in German language
- One family hour in German (During lunch, car trip, shopping...)
- Joining a sports club

- Offers of the youth center, church project
- Joint making of the homework

So, the learning process can be smooth and successful it is important that your child brings his school materials to school. In addition to pens, this also includes exercise books, vocabulary books and folders, as well as reference books and dictionaries (!!!).

#### 4. Arrival

The children take part in various support courses based on their knowledge of the German language. They also take part in regular classes. At the beginning they only take part in subjects like sport, art, or music. In the other lessons, they are given tasks on language acquisition. After one to two years, they have to take part in regular classes in all subjects. At that point, at the latest, they will receive grades for their performance. Until then, report certificates will be created. These must be preserved. They are official documents!

A lot is new for your child during this time, and we depend on your support so that your child begins in the best way possible!

Important contact persons:

Mrs. Wischmann (Bn), Mrs. Zajac (Za), Mr. Dzionsko (Dz), Mr. Wolf (Wo).