



PRESENTATION

Schools & Education in


- England

- Germany



Facts about Education in Germany

- *School education is free*
- *Generally it lasts for 12-13 years*
- *The system of education has 3 parts*



Children between the ages of 3 and 6 attend *Kindergärten*, which are not part of the school system

When children reach 6 years old age they go in so-called Grundschule.

First level (part) of secondary education begins with division in schools by abilities.

There are four options for secondary schooling:

Hauptschule (the least academic, much like a modernized Volksschule [elementary school]) until grade nine (with Hauptschulabschluss and in some cases Mittlere Reife = Realschulabschluss as exit exam); in some States of Germany the Hauptschule does not exist and pupils are mainstreamed into a Mittelschule or Regionale Schule instead.

Realschule until grade ten (with Mittlere Reife (Realschulabschluss) as exit exam);
Gymnasium (grammar school) until grade 12 or 13 (with Abitur as exit exam, qualifying for university); and
Gesamtschule (comprehensive school)


After successfully passing through any of the above schools, pupils can start a career with an apprenticeship in the Berufsschule (vocational school).

Grade	Age	School level (Berlin)	School level (Rest of Germany)
1	6/7	primary	primary
2	7/8		
3	8/9		
4	9/10		
5	10/11		
6	11/12		
7	12/13	secondary, part I	secondary, part I
8	13/14		
9	14/15		
10	15/16	secondary, part II	secondary, part II
11	16/17		
12	17/18		
(13)	(18/19)		




Facts about Education in England

- *Nearly 90% of state-funded secondary schools are specialist schools*
- *State-run schools and colleges are financed through national taxation*



All maintained schools in England are required to follow the National Curriculum , which is made up of twelve subjects. The core subjects—English, Mathematics and Science—are compulsory for all students aged 5 to 16.

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- Since 1998, there have been 4 main types of maintained school in England:

community schools (formerly county schools) St Barnabas Church of England Primary School, Oxford;

voluntary controlled schools which are almost always church schools;

voluntary aided schools linked to a variety of organisations;

Sir Peter Newsam, Chief Schools Adjudicator 1999–2002, has argued that English schools can be divided into 8 types (with some overlap), based on the ability range of their intake:

- "super-selective"
- "selective"
- "comprehensive (plus)"
- comprehensive
- "comprehensive (minus)"
- secondary modern
- "secondary modern (minus)"
- "sub-secondary modern"