

CJD Jugendorf-Christophorusschule Droyssig

The Jugendorf-Christophorus School Droyssig is situated in the town of Droyssig in the southernmost part of Saxony-Anhalt, about 35 miles south of Leipzig. The cities of Berlin and Dresden are within a two-hours travelling distance.



The castle-shaped school buildings and the campus date back to the first half of the 19th century. Although they have undergone major renovation work the buildings have largely kept the charming atmosphere of a traditional college preparatory school.

The school provides day education for external students from ages 11 to 19. Classes start at 7.30 a.m. After lunch break, juniors and seniors have classes until 3.40 p.m., while the younger students can choose from a wide variety of activities and study groups, ranging from musical activities (big band, choir, etc.), arts, drama, and the sciences to sports and riding, as well as study hall.

Two of the school's main points of emphasis are Economics and the promotion of highly gifted students.

The Christophorus School sees itself as offering a Christian education in the eastern part of Germany where atheist and communist ideologies reigned for more than forty years until the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989. Religious Education classes are compulsory for all students. However, no pupil or parental home has to belong to a Christian denomination. The students are expected to open-mindedly deal with the Christian faith and to practice the spirit of tolerance and solidarity. Furthermore, they are expected to willingly accept and meet the educational standards of a college preparatory school. They are supported by the teachers in many different ways.

School type: Co-educational state recognized college preparatory school

Educational profile:

- 1st foreign language (compulsory): English (grades 5 to 10),
- 2nd foreign language (compulsory): French, Latin or Russian (grades 7 to 10),
- 3rd foreign language (optional): French, Italian, Latin or Russian (grades 9 and 10).
- grades 11-13: 2 foreign languages (compulsory)
- Economics is taught in English from grade 11 to 13 (optional).
- Business English is compulsory in grade 10.
- Computer classes are compulsory from grades 6 to 8.
- Economics is compulsory from grade 8 to 10.
- From grade 10 on a special program of political and economic seminars must be attended (cooperation with political and scientific institutes).
- Special classes for the highly gifted are offered in small study groups:
 - grades 7 and 8: Math,
 - grades 9 and 10: Sciences,
 - grades 8 to 10: English,

grades 11 to 13: a variety of special subjects and topics (cooperation with universities)

- **Student exchange programs/partner schools:** USA (2 schools)
France (2 schools)
Italy
Israel
Poland

- **Cooperations:** music schools: Anna-Magdalena-Bach, Zeitz
Heinrich-von-Veldecke, Naumburg
riding stable & school: Reiterhof Gentzsch, Droyssig



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