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German-Luxembourgish Schengen Lyceum, Perl, Luxembourg

The entrance to the school building

Forecourt of the school with flagpole: Normally, the European flag and the school’s flag are flying here on the forecourt, on special feast days there are also the German and the Luxembourgish flag as well as the flag of the Saarland region. The German-Luxembourgish Schengen Lyceum, founded in 2007, is a modern bi-national Secondary School at the German-Luxembourgish-French border. The school is funded and administered by the ministries of Luxembourg and the Saarland region. It offers a full-time programme for students. The Schengen Lyceum combines characteristic elements of the Luxembourgish and German school systems and offers qualifications from both countries. Teachers and students come from Luxembourg and Germany, some of them also from France.

Courtyard

View into the courtyard: In the middle of the courtyard, there is a fountain and a podium which is used as a stage for school events when the weather is good. In the background, there are a football field and a basketball court. They can also be used for volleyball, hiking, table tennis, fitness or other games during recreation, in physical education, and in the afternoon.
An entrance hall

The entrance hall with seating created by the students, an electronic display and a board for current information. Suspended from the ceiling are boards displaying statements of the school’s mission (“Leitbild”) which has been developed by teachers, parents, and students. In the “Leitbild”, the school community emphasizes the importance of the European idea as well as the opportunities created by the cultural diversity ensured by the transnational character of the school. According to the Leitbild, the students shall be qualified to live and work in an intercultural, open-minded Europe. This is intended to be achieved through student engagement with active, collaborative forms of learning as well as through cooperation with partners and institutions of the Greater Saarland-Lorraine/France-Luxembourg region.

Corridors to the classrooms

The corridors to the classrooms with “learning units” in the form of separate tables where students can work in small groups during the lessons. On the left hand side we see lockers for students and on the walls student output from the art classes.
In the classroom: A social studies lesson

Social studies / Civic education: Simulation of an election with voting booth, election committee, and ballot box. It is intended that students should gain an insight into the significance, purpose and function of a democratic election. This lesson is inspired by the occasion of an upcoming federal election in Germany.
11.1 L'intégration européenne

11.1 Die europäische Eingliederung

The wall at the back of the classroom

In the cupboard, there are the students' files and various dictionaries and encyclopedias which can be used autonomously during the lessons and free studies (dictionary French-German, Luxembourgish-German, English-German, The Ouden of the German orthography, dictionary of foreign words and synonyms, encyclopedia for politics, ...). On the right and left hand sides, we can see current student productions created in different subjects or projects, e.g. posters presenting the programs of diverse political parties for the federal election, posters summarizing the rules of safe Internet use ("Bee Secure") or supporting the professional orientation of the students. Furthermore, students can find useful information here, e.g. the timetable, the school calendar, opening hours for tutoring and assistance in different subjects, the classes' birthday calendar, an overall view of the tasks to be accomplished (cleaning up, board and paper service, ...).
Auditorium

The auditorium is the central venue for all kinds of school events (e.g. school concerts, public lectures, panel discussions, conferences and feasts). Here, students also come together for the school assemblies where the head informs them about important issues and news relating to school life and the school community. On the left hand side at the rear of the auditorium are the flags of Luxembourg, Germany, France, the European Union and the Saarland region. On the right is the school logo. To the left of the stage, there is a sculpture created by 6th grade students (12 years old) which symbolizes living together in the school community. The auditorium can be expanded using sliding walls. When there are no events, the walls are opened and the auditorium can be used during recreation.
The entrance to a staff room

The entrance to a staff room, called “team room”: In the school, there are seven of these team rooms for the teachers of the different grades. Students are encouraged to knock at the door, and they are not allowed to enter the team rooms without the teachers’ permission. Beside the team room is a wall with current information and student productions.
Christmas Party

The most important event of the school year is the Christmas Party which is celebrated on a school-free Saturday in December. The event is prepared by teachers, students and parents over several months. Classes, project groups, and parents’ initiatives contribute to this event with artistic performances, decoration or food. The whole school is decorated. On the day of the Christmas Party, parents and grandparents, friends and interested persons from the whole region attend the event.
Homepage of the school with current information about school life, events and an explanation of the pedagogical school concept (www.schengenlyzeum.eu).