Dear parents and guardians of Year 4 students,

Your child is finishing primary school this coming summer. Some children will probably already have a very clear idea of which secondary school they would like to attend. Others will still be deciding which school is right for them together with you, their parents and guardians.

The first question is which type of school suits your child best. To help you answer this question, your primary school will offer you two personal meetings in Year 4. This leaflet is provided to give you further guidance. It contains information on the key features of the different types of secondary schools in the city of Osnabrück. This enables you to get an idea of which types of school gives children the best opportunities for development based on their individual skills and abilities.

This leaflet is intended to help you make this important decision for your child’s future. Use it to help you find the best solution together with your child.

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An overview of our schools

City of Osnabrück secondary schools

High schools
1 Oberschule Neue Schule Innenstadt
Rolandsmayer 6, 49074 Osnabrück
Tel. 0541 / 323 85 200

2 Oberschule, bisher Wittkeind-Realschule
Kloßstraße 143, 49088 Osnabrück
Tel. 0541 / 323 85 500
www.wirsos.de

3 Oberschule, bisher Bertha-von-Suttner-Realschule
Gotthelf-Planck-Straße 11, 49080 Osnabrück
Tel. 0541 / 323 84 200
www.bertha-von-suttner-rs-os.de

4 Oberschule, bisher Erich-Maria-Remarque-Realschule
August-Hölscher-Straße 36, 49080 Osnabrück
Tel. 0541 / 323 84 400
www.emr-realschule.de

Gymnasiums
5 Ernst-Moritz-Arndt-Gymnasium
Kloßstraße 143, 49080 Osnabrück
Tel. 0541 / 323 84 700
www.emra-os.de

6 Graf-Stauffenberg-Gymnasium
Gotthelf-Planck-Straße 1, 49080 Osnabrück
Tel. 0541 / 323 84 800
www.grg-os.de

7 Gymnasium Carolinum
Greife Domsfreiheit 1, 49074 Osnabrück
Tel. 0541 / 323 84 900
www.carolinumosnabrueck.de

8 Gymnasium „In der Wüste“
Kromschöderstraße 33, 49080 Osnabrück
Tel. 0541 / 323 85 000
www.gdw.de

9 Ratsgymnasium
Hau-Bödler-Straße 12, 49074 Osnabrück
Tel. 0541 / 323 85 100
www.ratsgymnasium-os.de

Comprehensive schools
10 Gesamtschule Osnabrück-Schinkel
Windhöherstraße 79–83, 49084 Osnabrück
Tel. 0541 / 323 86 000
www.gesamtschule-schinkel.de

11 Integrierte Gesamtschule Osnabrück
Evrardstraße 18, 49090 Osnabrück
Tel. 0541 / 323 86 200
www.igs-osnabrueck.de

Schoolstiftung im Bistum Osnabrück [School Foundation of the Diocese of Osnabrück] secondary schools

High schools
12 Domschule
Herrenreichswall 2, 49074 Osnabrück
Tel. 0541 / 350 98 10
www.domschule-os.de

13 Thomas-Morus-Schule
Bramstraße 40, 49090 Osnabrück
Tel. 0541 / 962 94 30
www.thomas-morus-schule.de

Gymnasiums
14 Angelaschule
Bramstraße 41, 49090 Osnabrück
Tel. 0541 / 610 94 00
www.angelaschule-os.de

15 Ursulaschule
Kleine Domsfreiheit 11–18, 49074 Osnabrück
Tel. 0541 / 311 87 01
www.ursulaschule.de
Choosing the right type of school for your child

Together with your child, you – as their parent or guardian – are deciding which school your child should attend from Year 5. While you should base this decision on the school’s performance, you should take your child’s individual abilities and needs into account too. The two meetings you will have with your primary school can certainly help you make your decision.

The range of required state schools falls under the city of Osnabrück’s municipal autonomy. This means that students in Year 5 at the start of the 2021/2022 academic year can attend an Oberschule [high school], a Gesamtschule [comprehensive school] or a Gymnasium [gymnasium]. The Gesamtschule also enables you to choose between an integrated and a cooperative Gesamtschule. The types of schools differ due to their educational objectives, the organisation of their teaching and the qualifications and prospects they offer.

Children with special educational needs can also choose from these types of schools; additionally, they have the option to attend a Förderschule [special school].