Rezekne State Gymnasium No.1

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SOME FACTS ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

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Anniversary!
It was founded in 1920, so it's going to celebrate its
100th birthday next year!

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"Our school family"

We have over 400 students and 49 teachers

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Achievements

This year the school has achieved the 5th place among all Latvian scools for the students' achievements.



LATVIAN EDUCATION SYSTEM

SCHOOL YEARS

9-year basic education is compulsary for all children from the age of 7.

ACADEMIC GRADES

Students' achievements in all subject areas are accessed in 10-point scale.

HOLIDAYS

One Latvian School year lasts 9 months, starting on September 1st and ending on May 31st. In the middle of the year we also have breaks - 1 week in autumn, 2 weeks in winter and 1 week in spring.

One of the traditional Latvian signs "The Grass Snake". It symbolizes wisdom and intelligence.

LATVIAN SCHOOL EDUCATION STRUCTURE

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Grade 1-4

7-11 years old students

BASIC SCHOOL

Grade 5-9

11-15 years old students

SECONDARY SCHOOL

Grade 10-12

15-19 years old students

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Since we are a gymnasium, we only have 7-12th graders. Our school also offers 3 different academic education programmes.



Academic education programmes available at Rezekne State Gymnasium No.1

General Education programme

12 mandatory subjects, 4 optional subjects

Science-based, technical programme

12 mandatory subjects, 4 optional subjects for these specific fields

Humanities and social programme

12 mandatory subjects, 4 optional subjects for these specific fields

MANDATORY SUBJECTS

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Latvian

Maths

History

2 foreign languages

Computer Science

Physics

Sports

Chemistry

Biology

Literature

Music

3

Latvian

Maths

History

3 foreign languages

Computer Science

Sports

Natural Science

Literature

Music

Arts

1 General Education

Optional subjects: Geography,
Health education, Third foreign
language, Economics, Culture
Science

Science-based, technical

Optional subjects: Geography,
Software Engineering, Technical
graphics, Economics, Culture
science

3 Humanities and social science

Optional subjects: Geography,
Health education, Philosophy,
Economics, Culture science, Politics

SCHOOL TRADITIONS

The Teacher's day - 12th grade students are split into 2 groups - one group prepares a concert for the teachers, while the remaining students teach lower classes for the rest of the day.



OUR TEACHERS

THE TOURISM DAY

Each year in September our school organizes the "Tourism Day". We go out of the city territory, where students compete against other classes in many disciplines like volleyball, orientation, obstacle courses, etc.

We also have to prepare a short performance for other classes, for example, a dance, a song or a short play. The theme of the performance is always different.



This year, over the course of the day, each class also had to make a human pyramid.







OUT-OF-CLASS ACTIVITIES

- School Choir
- Vocal Ensemble
- Folk Dance Group
- Debate Club

- Coding and App-making
- Biology Club
- Chemistry Club
- Mathematics Club

SCHOOL CHOIR

Singing is one of the most important parts of Latvian culture and history.

Our School Choir works especially hard, in order to be chosen to participate in the Song and Dance Festival, which happens every 4 years.

The Festival started in 1873, and approximately 10,000 – 13,000 people get on one stage to unite through singing.



A fragment of our School Choir singing in the Concert of Latvia's 100th anniversary in 2018.

FOLK DANCE GROUP



There are even more dancers who take part in the Song and Dance Festival, usually about 13,000 - 17,000, so dancing is crucial to Latvians.

The Only PASCH School In Latvia

What is PASCH?

PASCH stands for the "Schools: Partners for the Future" initiative, made by Goethe Institut. It is a global network of approximately 1,800 schools that place a high value on German.

Benefits of this partnership

- 1. German is one of the foreign languages taught in our school.
- 2. Students have opportunities to participate in language camps in Germany.

MOVING OUT AND BEING RENOVATING

- Since our original school building is rather old, it is being renovated at the moment and we were forced to move out.
- That's why we have been sharing the building with Rezekne Secondary School No.4 for the last 2 years.



BEFORE

NOW

In the process of renovation



What do the students think about our school?

Let's find out!

AN INTERVIEW



