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BISCHÖFLICHES GYMNASIUM AUGUSTINUM

The Bischöfliches Gymnasium Augustinum in Graz has a long history of academic excellence. For more than 160 years, this private Catholic school has offered students from across Styria a multifaceted secondary education with an emphasis on language and communicative skills. It is located in the Augustinum, the diocesan centre of Styria, in Graz' third district, Geidorf.

Type of school

The Bischöfliches Gymnasium Augustinum is a private Catholic secondary school for students aged 10 to 18 with two different branches focusing on

- Culture. Environment. Languages
- New Technologies. Environment. Economics

English and Information Technology is taught from year one. In year three, students choose between the two branches:

- If they decide on “Culture. Environment. Languages”, they have the opportunity to study Latin or Spanish. In year five, students of Latin can study Italian, French or Ancient Greek. If Spanish is chosen in year three, Latin is then compulsory in year five.
- If students decide on the branch “New Technologies. Environment. Economics”, they start learning a second foreign language (Italian/French) or Latin in year five.

Lernbüro - Independent Learning

In years one and two students participate in independent, focused learning. Through this method of learning, students develop independence, responsibility as well as social skills. This method promotes the development of individual learning strategies as

students have the opportunity to learn at their own pace. “Independent Learning” encourages an enthusiasm for learning and sets students up with good habits for the rest of their academic career. “Independent Learning” takes place in the first lesson, Tuesday to Friday. During this time, students have many materials and resources from several subject areas available to them.

Morgenkreis - Social Education

Every Monday morning, in a relaxed atmosphere, students have the opportunity to develop a sense of community and camaraderie through play and discussion. Together with the class teacher, every day challenges and problems faced by the students themselves are discussed and possible solutions are suggested. Furthermore, students have the chance to participate in activities such as classroom decoration (Christmas, Easter, ...), which affords them a sense of ownership and pride in their own surroundings.

Music and Drama

A hallmark of the Bischöfliches Gymnasium is its music and drama department. Children, teenagers and parents alike enjoy the group's regular performances such as Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat in 2017, in which 250 students took part. Instruction in piano, organ, guitar and voice are offered.



Facts & Figures

TYPE OF SCHOOL
Secondary school focusing on two branches
ESTABLISHED
1856
STUDENTS
580 (in 2023)
STAFF
65 (in 2023)

*The mind is not a vessel to be filled,
but a fire that wants to be kindled.*

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Choir

Following a long tradition going back many years, the Bischöfliches Gymnasium choir is today one of the liveliest aspects of the school's extracurricular education. Under the guidance of Valentin Zwitter, students of all ages come together to perform classical and modern music in both concerts and in liturgical settings, both at home and abroad. Since 2011 the choir has been awarded with the Styrian choir award (Meistersinger Gütesiegel).

Tagesheimschule – Homework Club

The Bischöfliches Gymnasium after school care programme offers students the opportunity to eat lunch and do their homework in a supervised setting. Participating students may stay at school under the care of the team until 5 p.m. We are one of the only eleven schools in Styria to have been awarded special recognition for the quality of our after school care programme.

Ethos

Bischöfliches Gymnasium – distinctively

Christian – It is our duty to offer young people a school environment in which Christian values can be seen, heard and felt. Our school chapel is at the heart of all we do and is an inviting and welcoming place. It is our goal that our students leave us as creative, competent individuals who are intellectually, socially and religiously educated to the highest level in all areas.

European Languages

Language trips abroad are offered to our students:

- Year 7 (16–17 years): English speaking countries, Italy, France, Greece, Spain
- In Year 8 (17–18 years) our students travel to Rome and Assisi with the Religious Studies Department.

Erasmus+

Individual language trips to 11 different partner schools in Spain, France, Italy, Belgium, Slovenia, Sweden and Finland are a big chance for our students' individual development. *Erasmus+* is sponsored by the EU.

Competitions

Bischöfliches Gymnasium is noted for its regular successful participation in many different academic competitions such as EuroLingua (Latin, Ancient Greek, English, French, Italian), public speaking contests, Switch (English/French). Students from Year 1 to 4 (10–14 years) also take part in many contests in the fields of Information Technology, students from Year 3 to 8 (12–18 years) also in many contests of Mathematics and Physics.

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