

School beginning in Saxony – explanations and hints

Before your child can go to school, you have to register it in a primary school. This has to happen in October of the year, before your child turns 6. All children who turn 6 by 30 June are required to attend school at the start of the following school year. The place and the time of the registration will be told by the City in September.

For the registration you have to bring the birth certificate of your child. Parents have to register their child together! These particulars will be included at the registration:

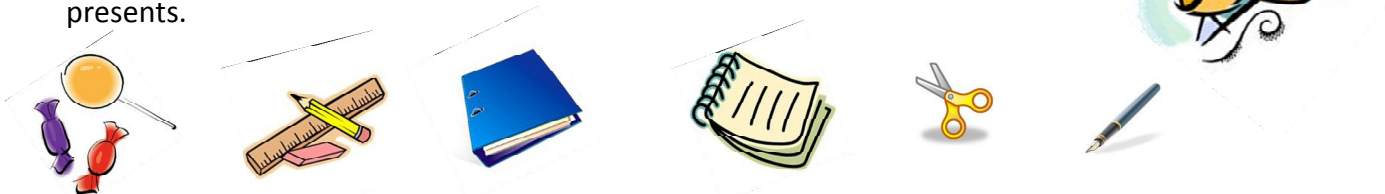
- family name and first name of parents and their child
- date of birth and birthplace
- address of parents and their child
- phone number, address in emergencies
- nationality and religious affiliation
- optionally type and extent of a hindrance and diseases

In addition there will be an examination by a pediatrician for the admission into school. He checks up the physical and mental stage of development of the child. The child has to be accompanied by one or both of the parents. The appointment with the doctor will be announced at the registration for school.



At the beginning of the first year of school, parents and children will be welcomed with a celebration. At this day the children get to know their teacher.

In Germany it is usual that every child is also given a “school cone” or “sugar cube” (*Zuckertüte*). This is filled with pens and other materials for school, sweets and little presents.



Before school starts, the teacher will give you a list with all things your child needs for school. These are for example materials like pens, rubber, ruler, paper, binders, books, a lunch box and so on. Your child needs a schoolbag, which is carried on his bag, to transport all materials for school.

