

Greeting

Welcome to Elly-Heuss-Knapp-Gymnasium!

Pleased about your interest, I invite you to get to know our school by having a look at our homepage.

You will see that our grammar school offers far more than simply education. In fact, it is a second home for our students at a crucial stage of their lives. Our committed staff has taken on the task of shaping this space in the most interesting and effective way, living up to the responsibility of both teaching and educating our students. We can prove this aim for instance by the clearly above-average results of our school in the 2003 PISA investigation, but also in our concept of daycare for the younger students as well as our numerous curricular and extra-curricular activities.

We are a place where achievement is essential, but at the same time we also want to be a place where all people feel well and which they can identify with.

However, even the best website cannot replace a real encounter with a school alive with people and ideas. This is why I invite you to come and join one of our school events. Enjoy our concerts or watch our dramatic productions, listen to the presentation of our school projects, the talks we offer on a wide range of topics, but above all come and discover our school at the Open Day in March.

The head teacher
Isabella Peimann-Schaak

Short profile

In Heilbronn, Elly-Heuss-Knapp-Gymnasium is the sole state grammar school combining general education with a bilingual class. The school, lovingly nicknamed “our Elly” by students and teachers alike, is situated in the west of Heilbronn, in a quiet neighbourhood, with good public transport connections to the city centre and towards Karlsruhe, into the Leintal.

The long tradition of our school commits us to values such as the importance of community and mutual respect. Our goal is to promote education, achievement and a profound sense of responsibility.

By offering bilingual curricular instruction in our bilingual course as well as by teaching both modern languages (English, French, Russian, Spanish as an extra-curricular activity) and Latin, we aim to bring up our students as individuals who are open towards other cultures and who have adopted a global perspective. This is also encouraged by the more practical experience gained from class trips abroad and various student exchanges with partner schools in Britain, the United States, France and Russia.

Our younger students are offered a daycare schedule supervised by qualified teachers and including lunch at the school canteen on four days a week.

As the only grammar school in Heilbronn, we were granted the seal of the education foundation Boris, which is awarded for special achievements in careers education by the Chamber of Commerce of Baden-Württemberg as well as the Landesstiftung “Wir stiften Zukunft” foundation (“We create a future”). In fact, we attach utmost importance to providing guidance and support for our students on their way towards the world of work.

We have modern computer equipment, offering our students the possibility to acquire the European Computer Driving Licence directly at our school. Thanks to the excellently equipped classrooms of our scientific department, we are in a position to offer sound and integral teaching in these subjects. As far as the shaping of the new subject NWT (Science and Technology) is concerned, we were actively involved in the early stages of its development.

Our school stands for education, teamwork and a large number of cultural activities. Proof of our achievements is not only the enthusiastic participation of many students in our concerts, theatre and musical performances, but also the untiring commitment of our student representatives. They are supported by very active parents as well as the Förderverein, an association giving the necessary financial support to our school.

A wide range of lessons and extra-curricular projects offer substantial enrichment to our living and learning together at Elly. We hope you will enjoy having a closer look at our website.