

Vocational School Lüchow, Germany

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Some questions you may have as a student coming to

Country: GERMANY

Organization: Berufsbildende Schulen Lüchow

Type: Public Vocational School



Question	Answer
Documents / Money	
Do I need special (health) insurance?	It depends of your own social insurance. Be sure that you have an European extension and the European health insurance card.
I come from Turkey or Great Britain, where do I change money? At home? In the country?	You could ask for euro in your country, but you can change money at the airport or a local bank. In general you get a better exchange rate in the foreign country.
Do I need a passport?	If you are European citizen you need a valid passport. If you are from Turkey, you need a passport and a visa
I come from Turkey. Do I need a visa?	Yes. You will have to apply formally at the German embassy. The granting of the visa takes about three weeks.
The best way to come to the place:	
Where is the nearest airport? The nearest train station?	The nearest airports are Hamburg, Berlin and Hannover, each about 100 - 150 km away. You have to travel by train, coming from Hamburg and Hannover: nearest station is Uelzen, from Berlin: nearest station is Salzwedel.
Will somebody pick me up?	Yes, you will be picked up at the nearest train station.
If not, how do I get from the train station to the school? How much is the transport fare?	From the train stations there are bus connections for the cost of some Euros.
How much money do I need?	You will at least need 5 Euros per day for lunch. If you stay in families you will only need money for personal use.
Training	
Can I get a language course?	You will get some German language introduction during your first days.
What a training hours in the school?	7:45 – 14:35
Do I have to work on weekends, if I go for training in an enterprise?	No
Do I need special clothes for the practical training?	You will need security shoes
Do I have to bring learning material with me?	No
Where will I stay?	
Will I stay with a family, in a dormitory, own apartment...?	We can arrange family stays. There are also guest houses / hotels for about 40 € per day.
Can I choose? Can I change?	Yes
How much is the rent of an apartment?	350 - 400 €/month (2 rooms, all costs included)
Online	
Do I have access to the internet?	Yes, at school.
What is the cheapest way to use my mobile?	We think is better to buy a special card or talk with your mobile company.

Mobility	
Do I need a car?	No
I don't have a car, how can I get around?	Bus Train
How much does a bus ticket cost? Where can I buy it?	It depends on destination. In the district 2€ / trip You can buy it at train station or in the bus
Food	
I am a vegetarian. Are there special restaurants?	Most restaurants offer vegetarian meals. There is a mensa associated with the school.
Is there special food I should try?	No
What are the times of the meals?	At school: Breakfast - Lunch 12:00 – 13:00 Dinner - At restaurants: Breakfast 8:00 – 10:00 Lunch 12:00 - 14:00 Dinner 18:00 – 21:00
Shopping	
Opening hours of shops?	9:00 – 20:00
Best place to buy groceries? Clothes?	There are several supermarkets close to school as well as cloths shops.
Weekend	
Where do people in my age meet at the weekend?	There are several discotheques outside town. There is a cinema, bars, ...
Any sights to see in the place / in the region?	“Round villages”, Arendsee (lake), Lake Gartow, historical cities like Hitzacker, Lüneburg, Dömitz etc.
Any special things to do I should not miss?	
Rules	
Are there any customs or rules I should be aware?	No
Can I drink alcohol? Can I smoke?	Drinking alcohol and smoking are forbidden at the school. You can buy cigarettes and hard alcohol only from an age of 18.
As a girl, do I have to wear a scarf for religious reasons?	There are no such restrictions.
Emergency	
Will there be a person responsible for me if I should have problems?	Yes. We will tell you before your visit.
Important Phone numbers?	School : +49 (0)5841 9611-0 Emergency: 112 Police : 110