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## School entrance examination

### Information about the medical examination conducted at the start of school

Dear parents and legal guardians,

all children have to undergo a school medical examination one year before they start with compulsory schooling. This also applies to children who are enrolled in a school early, the so-called "can children". Children who are asked to wait another year before starting school must undergo another school medical examination.

The examination is called a school entrance examination and is mandatory by law (§ 26 a of the Sächsisches Schulgesetz (Saxon School Act)).

At least one legal guardian must be present during the examination. It takes about 40 minutes.

### What will be examined?

School doctors from the Paediatric Service want to find out:

- whether your child has any medical restrictions or developmental conditions that may affect school attendance,
- whether your child needs special support, or therapy is recommended.

The following will be assessed:

- the ability to see and hear,
- body weight and height,
- fine and gross motor skills and
- linguistic and cognitive development.

Your child's vaccination status will also be recorded.

The doctor will analyse the examination results with you and answer your questions. You will also receive the examination results in writing.

Please note that the decision to admit a child is made by the school administration. The Paediatric Service only makes recommendations. The school is informed about school-relevant findings.

### When does the examination take place and how can one make an appointment?

School entrance examinations are held between August and January in the year before your child starts school. You can take an appointment for the school entrance examination online or by telephone.

One year before your child starts school (around August), you will receive a written request from the Office of Schools to enrol your child for school. In this letter you will find:

- information on the school entrance examination,
- the link to the online appointment booking system and
- the telephone number of your competent Paediatric Service to make an appointment by telephone.

If you have not received a letter from the Office of Schools, you are welcome to make an appointment by calling the following telephone number: (03 51) 4 88 82 41.

### Where is the examination held?

The school entrance examination is held in one of the offices of the Paediatric Service (KJÄD).

Competence depends on the primary school at which you enrol your child. These are the following four offices:

- KJÄD Mitte: Haus des Kindes, Dürerstraße 88, 01307 Dresden
- KJÄD West: Braunsdorfer Straße 13, 01159 Dresden
- KJÄD Süd: Albert-Wolf-Platz 4, 01239 Dresden
- KJÄD Nord: Bautzner Straße 125, 01099 Dresden

## What documents do you need to bring?

Please bring the following documents on the day of the examination:

- Filled parent questionnaire (you will receive it when you book your appointment online or you can download it from our homepage mentioned below. The form will also be available at the primary school on school enrolment days.),
- Yellow care booklet, medical findings and documents if necessary, and
- Vaccination certificate (for inspection, vaccination record and counselling).

We look forward to meeting you and your child at the school entrance examination.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call or write to us. – Your Paediatric Service

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