



GLOSSARY - LUXEMBOURG SECONDARY EDUCATION

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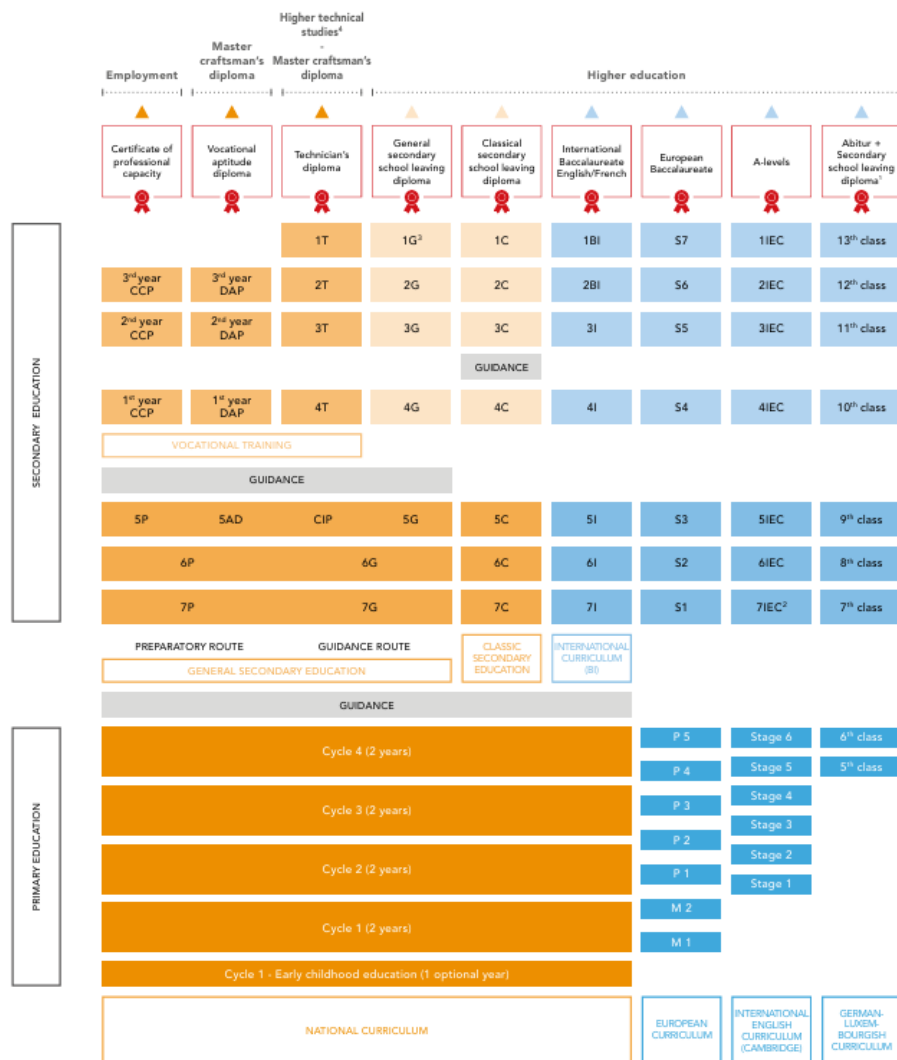


In the **Luxembourg public education**, you have the:

- **Classical secondary education (ESC)**
- **General secondary education (GSE)**
- **European education**
- **International English curriculum (Cambridge)**
- **British education**
- **German-Luxembourgish education**

Overview: The Luxembourgish school system

THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM IN LUXEMBOURG 2025/2026



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¹ Classical secondary school leaving diploma and general secondary school leaving diploma.
² Also a "15GEDI" class added to the subject area educator.

³ International English Classes
⁴ Via preparatory modules.

Luxembourg schools also offer adults the possibility to take the Diplôme d'accès aux études supérieures (DAES), which is equivalent to the Luxembourgish secondary school leaving diploma (Diplôme de fin d'études secondaires) and gives access to higher education.

Classical secondary education

is structured into two structures:

- lower classes (7^e, 6^e, 5^e classes);
- higher classes (4^e-1^{ère} classes).

At the end of the class of 4^e students choose one of the following 11 sections:

- section A : **modern languages**
- section B : **mathematics - information technology**
- section C : **natural sciences - mathematics**
- section D : **economic sciences - mathematics**
- section E : **arts**
- section F : **music**
- section G : **humanities and social sciences**
- section I : **informatics - communication**
- section N : **entrepreneurship, finance and marketing**
- section P: **cognitive science and humanities**
- section R: **politics and sustainable development**

Classical secondary education

L'ENSEIGNEMENT SECONDAIRE CLASSIQUE

CLASSES SUPÉRIEURES	1 CA	1 CB	1 CC	1 CD	1 CE	1 CF	1 CG	1 CI	1 CN		
	2 CA	2 CB	2 CC	2 CD	2 CE	2 CF	2 CG	2 CI	2 CN	2 CP	2 CR
	3 CA	3 CB	3 CC	3 CD	3 CE	3 CF	3 CG	3 CI	3 CN	3 CP	3 CR
	langues vivantes	mathématiques informatique	sciences naturelles mathématiques	sciences économiques mathématiques	arts plastiques	musique	sciences humaines et sociales	informatique communication	entrepreneuriat, finance et marketing	sciences cognitives et sciences humaines	politiques et développement durable
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	I	N	P	R
	sections										
	4 C										
	5 C										
	6 C										
	7 C										
CLASSES INFÉRIEURES											

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General secondary education

is structured in:

- lower classes (7^e, 6^e, 5^e) of the orientation or pre-vocational education;
- higher classes (4^e to 1^{ère}).

Based on the promotion decision at the end of the 5G class or the 5AD class, students can continue with the initial vocational training in one of the following streams:

- **administration and commercial stream;**
- **health and social professions stream;**
- **general technical stream;**
- **arts stream;**
- **hotel management and tourism stream.**

General secondary education

L'ENSEIGNEMENT SECONDAIRE GÉNÉRAL

1 GCG	1 GCC	1 GCF	1 GMM	1 GSH	1 GSI	1 GED	1 GSO	1 GSE	1 GIG	1 GIN	1 GA3D	1 GSN		1 GACV	1 GGH		
2 GCG	2 GCC	2 GCF	2 GMM	2 GSH	2 GSI	2 GED	2 GSO	2 GSE	2 GIG	2 GIN	2GA3D	2 GSN		2 GACV	2 GGH		
section gestion	section communication et organisation	section finance	section marketing, médias et communication	section sciences de la santé	section de la formation de l'infirmier	section de la formation de l'éducateur	section sciences sociales	section sciences environnementales	section ingénierie	section informatique	section architecture, design et développement durable	section sciences naturelles		section arts et communication visuelle	section gestion de l'hospitalité		
3 GCM				3 GSH	3 GPS	3 GSO		3 GIG		3 GA3D		3 GSN		3 GT2S	3 G3S	3 GACV	3 GGH
4 GCM				4 GSH	4 GPS	4 GSO		4 GIG		4 GA3D		4 GSN		4 GT2S	4 G3S	4 GACV	4 GGH
section administrative et commerciale				section des professions de santé et des professions sociales		section sciences sociales		section ingénierie	section architecture, design et développement durable		section sciences naturelles		section technologies, sport et santé	section sciences naturelles, informatiques et mathématiques	section arts et communication visuelle	section gestion de l'hospitalité	
division administrative et commerciale				division des professions de santé et des professions sociales				division technique générale						division artistique	division hôtelière et touristique		

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European education

follows the European secondary education curricula (7 years) in a French speaking, English speaking and German speaking stream leading to the European baccalaureate.

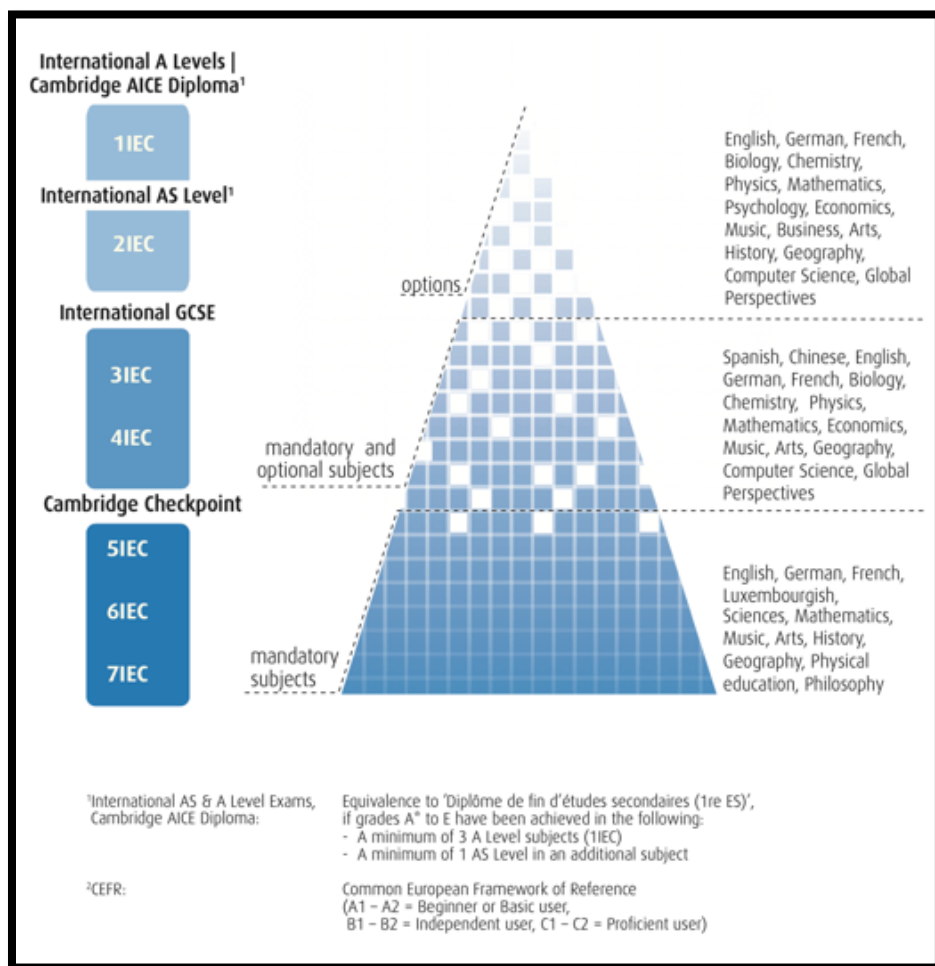
These schools are:

- the École internationale Differdange et Esch-sur-Alzette (EIDE)
- the Lënster Lycée International School in Junglinster (LLJ)
- the École internationale Edward Steichen in Clervaux (LESC)
- the École internationale in Mondorf-les-Bains (EIMLB)
- the École internationale Mersch Anne Beffort (EIMAB)
- the École internationale Gaston Thorn (EIGT).

Baccalauréat européen			
Classes supérieures et de la formation professionnelle	S7-EN	S7-DE	S7-FR
	S6-EN	S6-DE	S6-FR
	S5-EN	S5-DE	S5-FR
	S4-EN	S4-DE	S4-FR
	ESE Section anglophone	ESE Section germanophone	ESE Section francophone
Classes inférieures	S3-EN	S3-DE	S3-FR
	S2-EN	S2-DE	S2-FR
	S1-EN	S1-DE	S1-FR
	ESE Section anglophone	ESE Section germanophone	ESE Section francophone
Enseignement primaire européen	P5-EN	P5-DE	P5-FR
	P4-EN	P4-DE	P4-FR
	P3-EN	P3-DE	P3-FR
	P2-EN	P2-DE	P2-FR
	P1-EN	P1-DE	P1-FR
	M2-EN	M2-DE	M2-FR
	M1-EN	M1-DE	M1-FR
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International English curriculum (Cambridge)



The International School Michel Lucius (LML) offers **English speaking classes** leading to the British diplomas (International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE), Advanced Subsidiary level (AS-levels) and Advanced level (A-levels)).

British education

International secondary education covers 7 years with the last two years corresponding to 1st and 2nd year of the curriculum of the international baccalaureate.

Access to the **international baccalaureate** is available at the Lycée technique du Centre (BI in French), at the Lycée Mathias Adam (BI in French) and at the Athénée de Luxembourg (BI in English). This is a classical baccalaureate available in 143 countries throughout the world and recognized by Luxembourgish law as equivalent to the General Certificate of Secondary Education. (cf under Schooling of foreign pupils)

German-Luxembourgish education

The Schengen German-Luxembourgish secondary school (*Schengen Lyzeum*) proposes bi-national and cross-border training combining the elements of the German and the Luxembourgish educational systems. This German-Luxembourgish education leads to a diploma of the German system, ("allgemeine Hochschulreife") and to a secondary school leaving diploma ("Abitur").



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