

# **Regulations for Admission to the Preparatory Class following the 5th Primary School Class**

(from 9 February 2015, valid from 2015/2016 school year)

## **1 Eligibility**

Good pupils from the 5th primary school class are eligible to take the examination if are aiming to join the lower school of our Gymnasium or our Progymnasium.

An admission interview (parents and prospective student) with the Head of Department is part of the admission process.

## **2 Examination Subjects**

German and Mathematics

Before the examination, applicants are recommended to attend our introductory course.

## **3 Written Examination**

The examination comprises the following components:

German: Retelling a story that is read to candidates, as well as an additional writing assignment (60 minutes); various exercises relating to spelling and grammar (15 minutes)

Mathematics: Tasks based on the official Mathematics book of the Canton of Zurich (5th grade) (60 minutes)

## **4 Oral Examination**

Every candidate is required to take the oral examinations in each subject, irrespective of the results of the written exams. The oral exams are based on the material covered in the 5th grade in German and Mathematics and last 15 minutes each.

## **5 Examination Mark**

The examination mark is calculated from the average of the four examinations (two written and two oral). All four components receive equal weighting.

## **6 Examination Results**

The pass mark for the entrance examination is a minimum average of 4.0. Marks from the previous school are not taken into consideration.

## **7 Coming into Effect**

These regulations were approved by the Department of Education on 12 August 2015. They come into effect for the 2015/2016 school year. They replace all previous regulations.