

# Regulations for Admission to the 1st Class of the Bilingual Upper School of the Gymnasium

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

## 1 Eligibility

### 1.1 Admission without examination

The following students can be admitted without taking an examination:

- Students coming from the second class of the lower school of the Gymnasium of FGZ or from another Gymnasium with Swiss recognized Matura if they have qualified for transfer to the 3rd class in their existing school
- Students coming from the second or third class of the Progymnasium of FGZ if they fulfil the appropriate transfer regulations
- Students coming from FGZ and other Swiss recognized Matura schools after the obligatory 9th school year if they are allowed to repeat in their existing school department. This would be considered a repetition of year 9.

The school reserves the right to require the applicant to pass an English admission test as explained in the document “Admission to Bilingual Education Programmes: English Language Requirements”.

### 1.2 Entrance Examination

All other applicants are eligible to take the examination if they have a minimum average of 5.0 in German, French and Mathematics in the February report of the current school year and have very good knowledge of German and English

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

## 2 Requirements

Requirements are based on the elementary school curriculum of the Canton of Zurich and the obligatory teaching materials of Zurich Secondary Schools, as well as the supplementary programme “Secondary School - Gymnasium”.

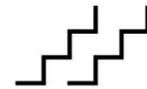
## 3 Examination Subjects

German, English, French and Mathematics

## 4 Written Examination

The written examination is conducted over two days. It comprises the following components:

German and English: Writing assignment (90 minutes),  
language test (reading comprehension, grammar) (45 minutes)  
The German and English marks are obtained by giving double weighting to the writing assignment and single weighting to the language examination.



French:	Listening and reading comprehension (40 minutes), exercises and writing task (60 minutes)
Mathematics:	Arithmetic/Algebra and Geometry (90 minutes) Students can choose to take the examination in English or German.

## 5 Oral Examination

Every candidate is required to take the 15-minute oral examinations in German, English, French and Mathematics, irrespective of the results of the written exams.

Applicants can choose to take the Mathematics examination in English or German.

## 6 Examination Results

The entrance exam has been passed if

- the applicant obtains a minimum average mark of 4.0 for the eight components of the examination (German, English, French and Mathematics, each written and oral). The two language subjects receive single weighting, whereas Mathematics receives double weighting.  
and

- the average of the language marks for German and English corresponds to a pass (4.0)  
Language mark = (German oral + German written + English oral + English written) : 4

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.