

# Heinrich – Böll – Gesamtschule Köln–Chorweiler



A comprehensive school in  
northern Cologne



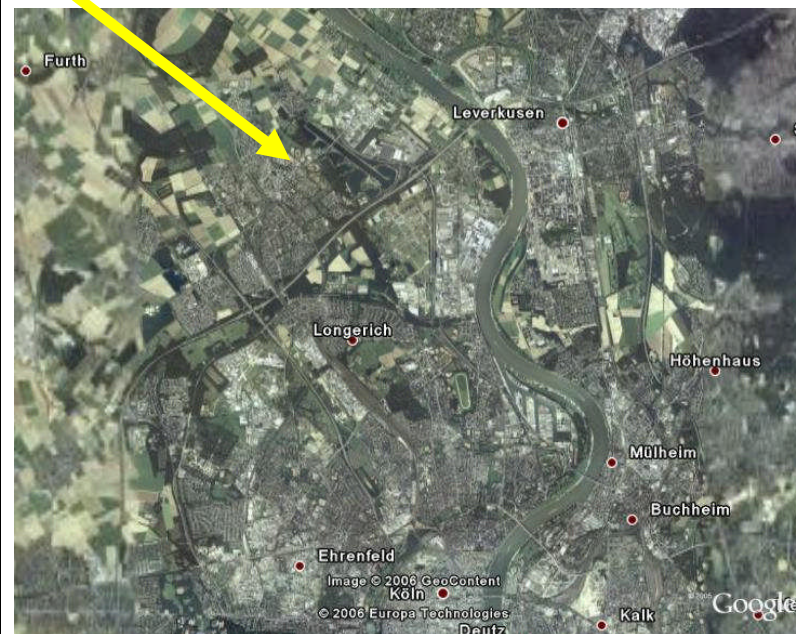
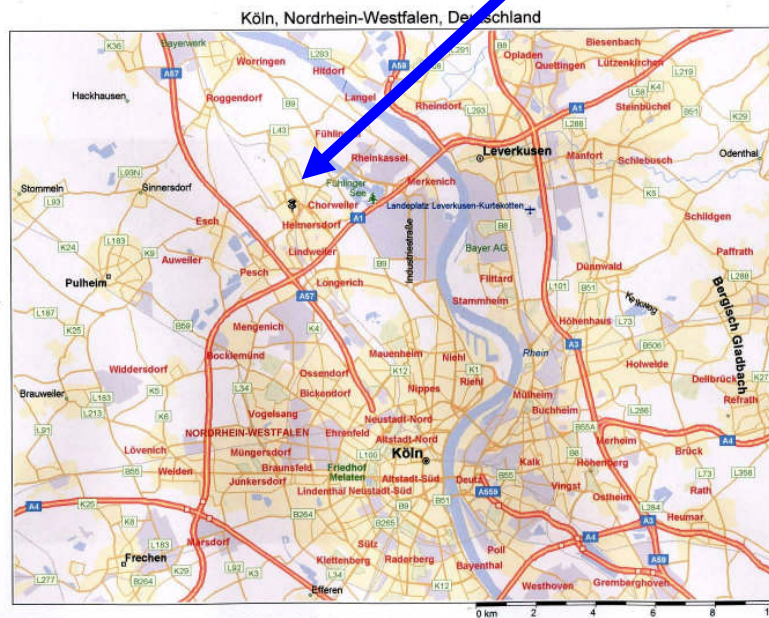
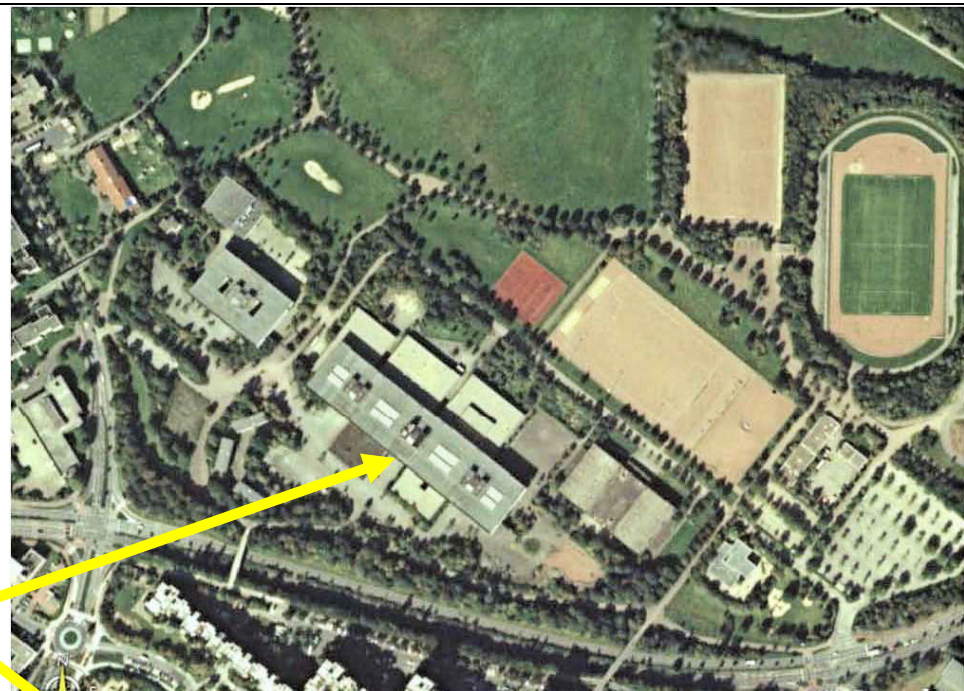
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Learning in subjects  
 Learning of  
 social competence  
 Learning in projects  
 Learning by  
 experience

- 1604 pupils (809 boys, 795 girls)
- 48 classes from years 5 to 10. eight classes per year group comprising of 1287 pupils (646 boys, 641 girls)
- year groups 11 to 13 comprise of 317 pupils (163 boys, 154 girls)
- 48,9 % of pupils are of mixed cultural and ethnic background: 603 pupils from years 5 to 10; 181 from 11 to 13

The location of the Heinrich-Böll-Gesamtschule



The comprehensive school was established in 1975. Ten years later the school was re-named in honour of the poet Heinrich Böll (1917-1985), who was awarded the Nobel Prize in literature in 1972.

The school is situated in Chorweiler, a northern district of Cologne. The suburb is home to a population of over 82,000 inhabitants, of which approximately forty-two percent are of mixed cultural and ethnic background.



Following primary education, pupils enter year 5 at the age of ten and stay within the same form-group until year 10.

The majority of our students leave school after year 10, having obtained either the degree qualification 'Hauptschulabschluss' or the advanced qualification 'Fachoberschulreife.' Approximately 30% of pupils pursue study for a further three years (11 to 13) to achieve their 'Abitur'; a pre-requisite of University education.

The school day begins at 8:00am. It comprises of eight lessons and two breaks. Following three morning classes, the students enjoy a half-an-hour break, within which they can play in the school yard, play sport or simply relax. The one hour lunch-break follows a further two lessons. After having eaten lunch in the school canteen, pupils can relax or pursue personal interests such as

- spend time reading in the school library.
- work or play on the school computers.
- play music.
- play sport in the school gym or on the school grounds (eg; soccer, badminton or cycling).

The school day finishes after a further three lessons.

The Heinrich - Böll - Gesamtschule encourages sporting interests through clubs. The school day finishes early once a week to allow time for the soccer, badminton, volleyball, cycling, tennis and rowing clubs to meet.

The Radsportgemeinschaft der Heinrich-Böll-Gesamtschule was established in 1986 to promote cycling interest. The school encourages pupil's sporting potential and aims to establish connections with external competitive clubs.



