



## FRENCH EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM

In France, school is compulsory from 6 til 16 years old. Children can still be welcome in kindergarden schools from 3 years old onward. (full description of the French system: Nantes Académie [web site](#))

### I. Children less than 9/10 years old

For children who are less than 9/10 years old, the enrolment is at the Mairie, where the kid will be assigned a state school close to home. If the parents choose to go for private schooling, the enrolment is done directly at the school of their choice.

### II. Children more than 9/10 years old

To enrol children in a catholic/private secondary school, you have to contact the school directly. The “Direction Diocésaine de l’Enseignement Catholique” does not centralise information concerning bilingual lessons. However, the secondary school « Blanche de Castille » offers European courses in English:

Ecole Collège Lycée Blanche de Castille  
43-45 Bd Jules Verne  
44319 Nantes  
tel: 02.40.52.54.60

To enrol children in a state secondary school, you have to contact CASNAV 44. Children who are more than 9 years old have to take a knowledge mother tongue test. CASNAV 44 helps families recently arrived in Nantes for the enrolment in primary and secondary schools.

Go to [http://www.pedagogie.ac-nantes.fr/15515718/0/fiche\\_\\_pagelibre/](http://www.pedagogie.ac-nantes.fr/15515718/0/fiche__pagelibre/)

### III. List of private and state schools

To be consulted on the website Rectorat of Nantes:

[www.ac-nantes.fr](http://www.ac-nantes.fr)

- Section « écoles » for primary schools
- Section « collèges et lycées » for secondary schools and college
- Section « Loire Atlantique »

### VI. Childcare before and after school

For state schools, childcare is possible mornings and evenings.

List of documents necessary for the enrolment:

- proof of residence,
  - health certificate,
  - the most recent payslip or declaration of income tax
- School and childcare services are open from Monday to Friday, from 8 am to 6 pm: Mairie de Nantes ([city council website](#))

For private schools, you will have to ask directly to the school.

### VII. State schools with a language focus

Primary school:

Anatole de Monzie

Contact Mme LARANGOT [alarangot@ac-nantes.fr](mailto:alarangot@ac-nantes.fr)

Only for the last classes of primary school (CE2, CM1, CM2)

Secondary school:

Collège Aristide Briand - international section in English and German

For more information:

<http://clg-briand-44.ac-nantes.fr>

[ce.0440049P@ac-nantes.fr](mailto:ce.0440049P@ac-nantes.fr)

## VIII. Private schools with a language focus

### **ISN (International School of Nantes)**

from kindergarden to high school : from 3 months old to 15 years old

15 rue Olympe de Gouges 44800 St Herblain

Contact Mme PAULIN at 02.40.40.05.87 or [contact@isnantes.fr](mailto:contact@isnantes.fr)

<https://www.isnantes.fr/>

### **Montessori bilingual school : Les petons dans l'herbe (from 2 to 6 years old) opening in 2018**

Nantes Nord, 8 boulevard Einstein, 44300 Nantes

Contact Marion, the Headmistress : [lespetonsdanslherbe@gmail.com](mailto:lespetonsdanslherbe@gmail.com)

<http://lespetonsdanslherbe.e-monsite.com/>