

International longterm voluntary service with Friedenskreis Halle e.V.

Profile place of assignment
within the program weltwärts:



**Hort (After-school care club) der
Evangelischen Grundschule Halle**
<http://www.evangelische-grundschule-halle.de/>



The „Evangelische Grundschule Halle“ is an elementary school located in the socialistic outskirts „Heide-Nord“ in the city of Halle. It is an all day elementary school which offers education and child care. There is a strong connection between educational and extracurricular learning together with a church based life.

The concept of the school takes education not just as studying facts but to educate children to ask questions about the world by themselves and to develop skills to answer these questions. All this happens in an innovative atmosphere. The Christian values lead the education, the work and the community in the school. Therefore it's a basic obligation to demand every child in its uniqueness and to give self-esteem. It's a desire that the children learn to integrate in a community and to be open-minded for other opinions and life attitudes. In this process they learn not just to develop an own personality but how to create a respectful togetherness.

The elementary school is a private agency, evangelistic and open for everybody regardless their confession. For the children it offers individual and interdisciplinary learning. There is a variety of methods concerning the creation of the lessons. For example morning circles and devotions. Part of the institution is an after-school care club which where its taken

care about the children in the afternoon for making the school homework as well as extra school activities. The learning and activities in the after-school care club are seen as an important part of the overall school education of the children and the two institutions interfere (several educators work as well in the school as in the after-school care club).

Field of engagement and activities of the volunteer within place of assignment

The volunteer is assigned to the after-school care club. However, she/he will have the possibility to assist during school activities (projects as well as regular school lessons).

Activities:

- companion of individual children in free play
- teaching English or other languages in the after-school care club
- offering activities to children in the after-school care club: own program offers for children in the sporty, musical, artistic area, depending on the interests and skills of the volunteer
- participation and assistance in educational projects

Volunteers profile – Specific for this place of assignment

- willingness to work independently and to contribute actively
- enthusiasm for working with children
- interest in sports, music, cultural and/or creative work, cooking and interest to bring in this
- knowledge in the work with children
- openness to religious themes and religious education
- need a certificate of good conduct without any entries
- preferable: good skills in English

Volunteers profile – General

- 18 to 28 years (exceptions can be made, when reasonable)
- (high) school graduation or comparable personal suitability
- basic knowledge of English and willingness to learn German starting in home country
- motivation: voluntary service as an opportunity to learn in different fields and to get
- involved with (civil) society (voluntary service as learning and peace service)
- openness to the special structure of a voluntary service with Friedenskreis Halle, that is: willingness to participate in the accompanying educational program, to develop and implement one or more small project(s) and to get occupied and engaged with topics and activities of (local) civil society, interest in global relationships and peace politics as well as education on these topics
- preferable already dedication in civil society in the home country, willingness to get involved in civil society in the home country after returning