

Why should your child be (or stay) in the German class at RHS?

Your child is learning time management skills. Specifically:

He is learning how to plan and keep project deadlines.
He is learning how to schedule from a future goal back to today.
He is learning the value of time and to work independently.
He is learning to make the most of every minute.

Your child is learning organizational skills. Specifically:

He is learning how to collect a set of tools that meet the requirements for a project.
He is learning how to keep his tools in the same place to make it easier to find and use them, while not wasting valuable time looking for them.
He is learning how to care and maintain his tools and the value of doing so.

Your child is learning perseverance. Specifically:

He is learning how to go through multiple steps to reach a goal.
He is learning how to keep redoing his steps until each one is successful.
He is learning how improvement comes naturally after repeated experience.

Your child is learning how to build a successful working relationship with his leader/boss/supervisor/employer/colleagues. Specifically:

He is learning how to communicate respectfully, and how it feels to be spoken to respectfully.
He is learning how to work on a team and ask people for help successfully.
He is learning how to take the time to read and follow instructions.
He is learning where to go for directions.
He is learning how to value others work time.
He is learning how to present problems and find solutions effectively.

Your child is learning how to create quality work. Specifically:

He is learning to do something over and over again until it meets the given requirements.
He is learning that he gains expertise from his continued efforts.
He is learning that he can be proud of himself.
He is learning that he can be a positive role model to others.

Your child is learning to use technology. Specifically:

He is learning how to access live-streaming radio.
He is learning how to create and manipulate word-processing documents.
He is learning how to create PowerPoint presentations (used in the business world).
He is learning how to research and find answers to all his questions on-line.
He is learning how to participate in blogs.
He is learning how to use an ActivBoard.
He is learning how to create a podcast.
He is learning how to create digital MP3 recordings.
He is learning what an Elmo can do.
He is learning how to trouble-shoot a PC.
He is learning how to setup a network printer.

Your child is getting smarter. Specifically:

His instruction is being tailored to his needs and abilities.
He is engaged in meaningful work.
He is engaged in challenging work.
He is engaged the entire work time.
His brain is making new connections, becoming denser and heavier and this means he is increasing his intelligence.
He is likely to score higher on his SAT.

And all of this, while he is learning to speak, read, write and comprehend a foreign language and its culture (and earning 16 free college credits if he is a DE student).