



## WIR-Schule

Working in a school / day-care centre with a Montessori concept

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### **The School**

In the green district of Köpenick, we have rooms and open spaces for living and learning. Reform pedagogical practice according to Maria Montessori and Célestin Freinet shape our everyday life. The W-I-R Elementary School is a cooperation of Pfefferwerk Stadtkultur gGmbH as the school's sponsor and the parents' association Bewegte Eltern Berlin e. V., which acts as the after-school care provider. The school and after-school care center work according to a uniform concept and offer open all-day care. Our concept focuses on philosophy and communication based on reform pedagogy.

The school will grow to a maximum of 120 children in the coming years. The children learn in mixed-age groups in grades 1-3 and 4-6. Free work with Montessori materials and the open weekly schedule are essential. Experiential learning in studios, workshops and in the countryside characterizes the school's daily routine.

### **Tasks for volunteer**

The volunteer will be involved in the school as well as the associated after-school care. If the volunteer is interested, they can take care of individual children for a limited period during the free work phase. Professionals support the volunteer. The aim is primarily to observe, to assess a child's "learning window" or "sensitive phases" and accordingly to show the child play and learning materials without explaining too much or too little. In addition, the volunteer learns how learning materials can be produced themselves. Furthermore, they have the opportunity to accompany the pedagogical team comprehensively and thus gain an intensive insight into the organization and work of a free school. Task could include:

- Assistance in class
- Accompaniment the students in the after-school care center
- Supervision and playing with the students in the outdoor area
- Individual support of the students in the free work phases
- Development of own projects or group activities
- Kitchen service to prepare breakfast and lunch
- Service in the quiet area

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