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The German American School of Portland is the only school in the Pacific Northwest that is officially recognized by the German government as a German School abroad. This is not only due to the fact that it maintains the German curriculum, but is also proof of the quality of work done at the school. For the last 14 years, the school has striven to provide diversified and high-level English and German bilingual education to the young people of the Portland area in order to prepare them for the challenges they may face in an increasingly globalized world.

Since its foundation in 1995, the German American School of Portland has grown steadily. While the student body has increased from a mere 30 to a current 165, also learning concepts have continually been expanded and improved. The strong bilingual academic program also focuses on art, crafts, sports and in particular music which enables young children to acquire first foreign language skills in a playful way. The German American School of Portland also brings a taste of German culture and German language to the community through its diverse activities and festivities, from Christmas market to Adult language classes.

When I visited the school in November 2009, I was very impressed by the amazing work done over the past years to bring the school to its present level and by the joyful atmosphere in the school. I therefore would like to express my sincere appreciation and gratitude to all those who contributed to the success of this school - the parents, the members of the board, the teachers and the staff.

I wish the German American School of Portland a continuation of its successful development and the students much fun during their studies!

Sincerely,

Peter Rothen
Consul General