

"Radu Popescu" Highschool, located in Popesti Leordeni, very near to the South of Bucharest, represents the glory of an 200 old community which respects the traditions and the values of history.

The gifted and hard working inhabitants are called "bulgarian catholics" due to their bulgar accent that they started using less. The traditions are very carefully kept in these surroundings, so in the first days of January, around the "Boboteaza" holiday, the priest and the chosen ones of the most recent receivers of Christening (at 9 years of age) go to every house in order to bless them for the following year.

The priest followed by the new christened goes to the house, rining bells while the whole family gathers in the front of a handmade altar with lit candle. All the rooms are lighted, the priest is praying for the good and prosperity of that family. On the 17th of January, there is a holiday dedicated to the good of animals and it is held in front of the church.

A very important aspect for this community is the ethnic-religion one. The school comes to help the children understand the similarity of this concept, although it may seem that those terms are not related. We have a large variaty of students: catholic, orthodox, turkish, gypsy. Although there might seem to be differences between them they get along very well, respecting each other. The religion classes are hels separately, each one of them having their own specialized teacher.

The city of "Popesti Leordeni" , where the "Radu Popescu" Highschool is located, have been in a process of urbanization during the recent years and the aspect of the city changed. Another aspect of the urbanization is also the growing number of inhabitants. The school helps the young generation by providing a good learning environment the prepares them for the adult life. The school looks welcoming with large clean classrooms and the teachers who are very well prepared help the students achieve their goals.