



Knowing You – knowing me

Inclusive education in Estonia

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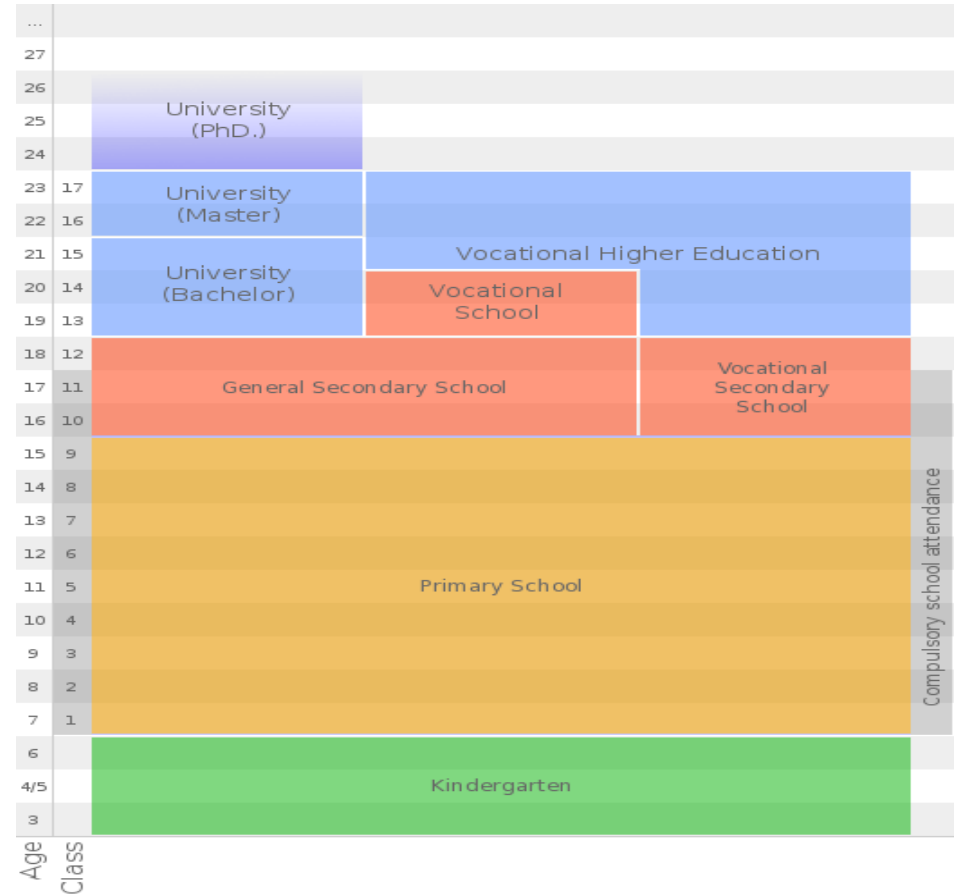
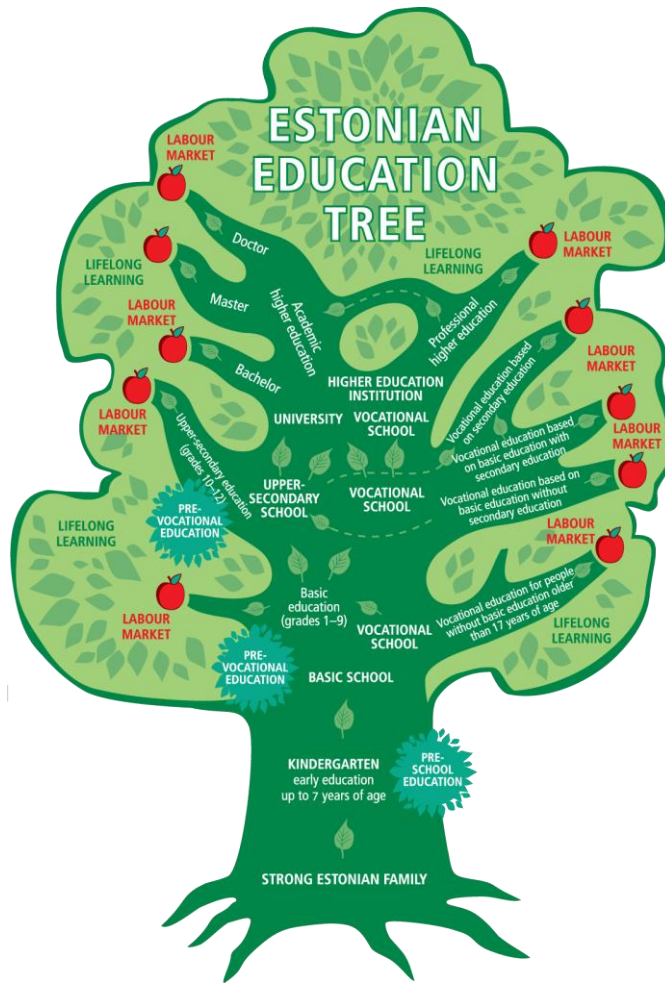
Rõõmupesa kindergarten in Tallinn, 6th Juny 2016

Population
of Estonia is
1,286 000
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Number of
children in
age of 0 – 17
- **250 000**



The education system of Estonia



Main messages of inclusive education

- Early intervention
- Inclusive education for all
- Specialists with best training
- Support systems
- Financing

Inclusive education in three level in Estonia

- Kindergarten / Basic school
- County level
- State level



Special groups in kindergartens

- visually impaired,
- hearing impaired,
- speech impaired,
- physical disability and special educational need,
- multiple disabilities,
- intellectual disabilities,
- behavioural problems (autism).

More and more inclusive education in ordinary groups .

The parents can take her child in the nearest Kindergarten.

Special schools

- visually impaired students,
- hearing impaired and speech impaired students,
- for students who, in addition to a physical disability, have an additional special educational need,
- as well as for students with multiple disabilities and students with intellectual disabilities,
- students with emotional and behavioural disorders,
- for students in need of special treatment due to behavioural problems.

More and more inclusive education in ordinary classes.

The parents can take her child in the nearest School

Support services

- Speech therapist
- Special education teacher
- Psychologist
- Social education teacher
- Assistant teacher/
Support person
- + SENCO (in schools since 2010)



The role of SENCO:

- 1) the day to day operation of the school's SEN policy;
- 2) advising teachers;
- 3) co-ordinate SEN provision, ensuring appropriate cooperation with teachers who will teach any child with special educational needs;
- 4) maintain a SEN register and records of SEN students;
- 5) cooperation with parents of SEN students;
- 6) cooperation with external agencies.

SENCO should be:

- A counsellor
- Leader of partnership
- Problem solver
- Manager of resources
- Guarantor of Quality
- Creator of values



County level



Centre services ...



- ... for children, students
1,5-18 year
- ... for specialists
- ... for teachers
- ... parents
- ... for school
administration
- ... for municipality
workers
- Speech therapist
- Special education
teacher
- Psychologist
- Social education
teacher
- Career counselling

State level



- Teacher (+special education teacher) training (Tallinn University, Tartu University)
- In all new curriculums are topics about special needs
- In topics of didactics are included subjects about differentiation, adaptaion of material, how to support child with learning difficulty
- During the practice the students have possibility to be in best-practice-inclusive schools

Thank you!

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