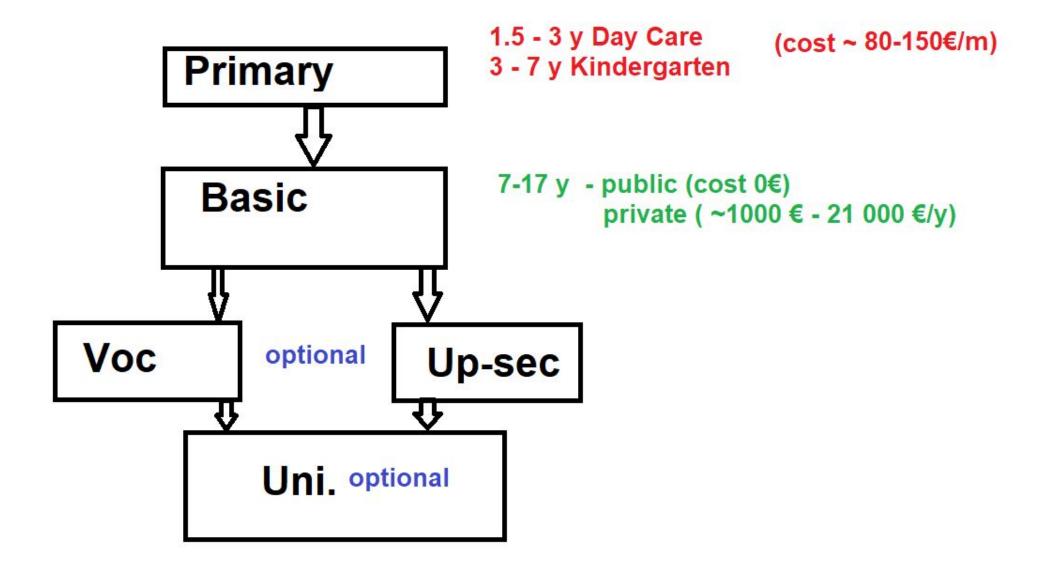
# Estonian Educational System and Tartu Raatuse School

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# **Primary education**

Estonia 2017/2018 - 628 pre-schools.

- 4-7 years old participated 93,9% (2017).
- 1,5 -3 years can have in one class 14 pupils; 3-7 years old 20; mixed 18.
- They follow National curriculum
- municipality has the right to ask an attendance fee <20% of the national minimum wage (540 € -2019)
- priority is given to children who live permanently in the same municipality
- When you got your child ID no -> register  $\stackrel{\smile}{\smile}$  Big waiting list





## No of students

In total 2018/2019 schools had ~150 000 students.

(1998/1999: 223 660) -73660 students

population: 1 370 100 (2000) . population: 1 324 820 (2019) -45 280

- year 1.-6.: ~ 89 000
- year 7.-9.: ~ 39 000
- year 10.-12.(gymnasium): ~22 000

#### **Extra**

vocational school ~ 24 000 students (before gym; after gym.; adults)





# **Academic year**

An academic year lasts from September 1 to August 31.

An academic year contains **175** school **days** in total. (Senior class 185)

- There are five school holidays:
- I: 21.10.2019 27.10 2019;
- II: 23.12.2019 5.01 2020;
- III: 24.02.2020 01.03. 2020
- IV: 20.04.2020 26.04. 2020; not for grade 12
- V: 10.06.2020 31.08. 2020; not for grade 12



# Basic School [1st (7 y)- 9th (16-17y) grade]

- The upper limit per class is 24 students and in upper secondary 36.
- Where the total number of students of two or three classes in a basic school is 16 or less, a composite class may be made of these students.

#### Finishing school

9th graders - **3 state exam** (mother language; mathematics; choose 1 (Geo; Bio; Phy; Chem; His; Soc Sci; A-language; B-language).

- And for Russian schools Estonian as second language.
- State exam in Jun 2020, upper secondary 17. Apr 2020 in Tartu

**12th graders:** 3 state exam (math A or B level, mother language; A-language)

The calculated length of a lesson is 45 minutes, upper secondary 75 min (not by law)

Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union

# Academic workload and daily schedule

- In lessons, the maximum weekly workload of a basic school student is as follows:
- grade 1 20;
- grade 2 23;
- grades 3 and 4 25;
- grade 5 28;
- grades 6 and 7 30;
- grades 8 and 9 32.
- The minimum permitted academic workload in an upper secondary school(high school or vocational school: grade 10-12/13) is 96 courses
- 8575 (basic school) + 3360 (upper secondary) = 11935 lessons in total (12 years)
- Average lesson no per day 5,683.



## No of schools and owners

- 2018/2019 Estonia had 533 schools:
- 57 out of total had year 1.—6.
- 302 year 1.–9.
- 135 on tube school (y 1.-12.)
- 24 upper secondary (y 10.–12.)
- 18 state gymnasium
- 15 grown-ups gymnasium.
- Owners: Municipality: 90%; Private: 6%; State: 4%

Private school: ~1000 € - 21 000 €

Extra curriculum schools in Estonia 410 (2010/11) and 651 (2017/18)

 FuFa: 2017/18 largest school had 1408 students Keila School; Misso School 8 students



## **Vocational schools**

Every county(15) has at least 1.

~ 24 000 students (before gym; after gym.; adults)

Estonia has 32 vocational schools

#### **Owners:**

- \* 26 state;
- \* 4 private;
- \* 2 municipality



# **Higher education**

- 20 university/college
  - 6 public university
  - 1 private university
  - 8 state college
  - 5 state college
  - Total 46 000 students

FuFa: Tartu Universty (since 1632) world ranking is 321 (2019)



## Tartu has 31 schools

• 21 give basic education: \* 15 municipality \* 5 private \* 1 state

• 6 tube schools: \* 4 municipality \* 1 private \* 1 state

• 4 upper secondary education: \* 3 municipality \* 1 state



# How you run a school in Estonia

- Municipality hires head of the school
- Head will pick you
- like a business (head of the school can hire and fire everyone)
- You have the change to own best "football team"
- Work yourself up
- Find your own personal angle of the school



# **Budget**

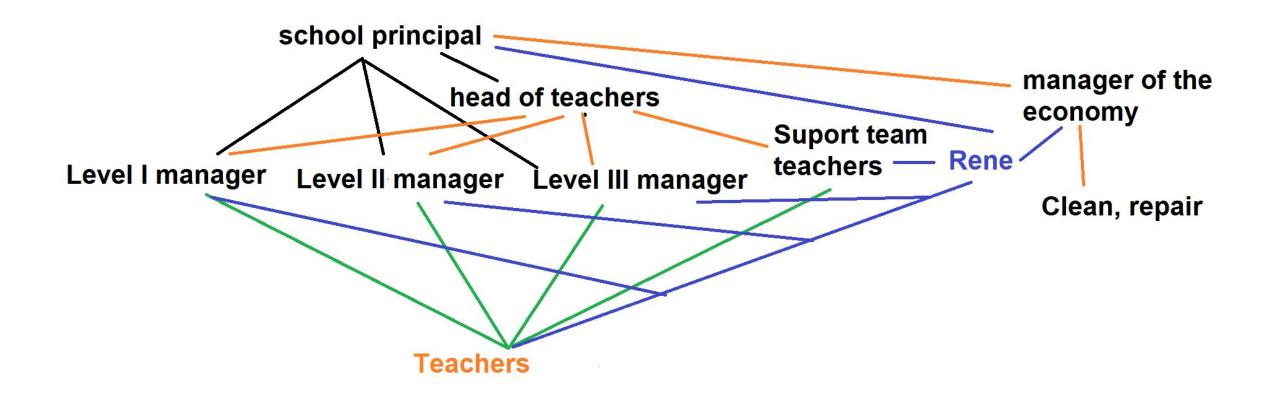
• State money for education (2019) - 653 781 000 € (**5.97%**).

• City budget 14 843 270 € (2019) - 7.73%

• FuFa: Raatuse School reconstruction 2017/2018 costs: 7 900 000€ and money from ERF 4 644 990€.



# School managment in Tartu Raatuse School





#### Tartu Raatuse School in numbers

- In Estonia, teachers are, on average, 49 years old. Tartu Raatuse School has 44,3 (Jun 2019).
- In Estonia, 1% of teachers work in schools where at least 10% of the students have a migrant background (OECD average 17%).
- Tartu Raatuse School has 50 teachers (26% male)
- ~543 students
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# What Raatuse School are doing?

- Self-directed learner
- Flipped classroom
- Group work (boys and girls, mixed teams, random team generator)
- Cooperative learning
- Formative assessment (Grade 1-6, and 7-9 (gym, art, music, literature, social science)
- E-learning day
- Topic Based Learning week
- Teachers day
- Big Brother Project
- Research study (8th grade),
- International projects
- 9th grade courses
- Design based learning (5E) Chemistry, Physics
- · Science school (Tartu University)
- Student personalizing
- General lesson /Topic based learning (1th 4th grade)
- One active moving hour per day (1th 6th grade)
- Drama lesson once in week (1th 8th grade)
- On Tuesday 14:00-15:30 teachers cooperation
- Thursday 15:00-16:00 "learning circles" for teachers



