

Why study German at Freedom HS?

GERMAN IS FUN!

Our German club at Freedom goes to Busch Gardens each fall. We share a lot of activities with other German students in Loudoun County, such as the St. Nikolaus festival in December and the VOGS convention at the University of Mary Washington in the spring.

GERMAN IS USER-FRIENDLY!

Of the languages commonly taught in the U.S., German is the most closely related to English, so many German words and sentences are easy to understand.

Freund = friend
Wasser = water
Apfel = apple
Buch = book
Mutter = mother
Milch = milk
Vater = father
Katze = cat

GERMAN IS USEFUL—IT'S A "MONEY LANGUAGE"!

German is very useful in the corporate world. Some of the biggest employers in the Northern Virginia/Washington DC region are German firms, such as Rehaug and Siemens. German is the second-most commonly used language in science and technology and one of the top five languages used on the Internet. (The top-level domain .de is the most commonly-used one after .com.)

GERMAN STUDENTS EXCEL AND EXPAND KNOWLEDGE!

German students have opportunities for extra enrichment activities. Two top students can be nominated to the Virginia Governor's Academy in German each year. Several students have participated in the George C. Marshall Center's Student Partnership Exchange Program in Austria and Germany.

For more information about studying German at Freedom High School, contact Dr. Dave Shepherd, German Teacher, dave.shepherd@lcps.org.