

Gemeente Almere



UNDERSTANDING THE DUTCH
EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM 2019



EXPLAINING THE DUTCH
EDUCATION



DUTCH PRIMARY SCHOOL



PRE SCHOOL



HOW TO SELECT A
SCHOOL



DUTCH OR INTERNATIONAL PRIMARY SCHOOL?

0-4 YEARS OLD



Host parents



Pre school



100,- per day per week!

PRESCHOOL (voorschool)

- Starting from the age of 2
- 2-year olds with VVE indication start with six hours per week. From the age of 2,5 they go 12 hours per week
- Parent contribution based on household income and work situation for the first 6 hours (9 - 110 euro per week)
- The additional 6 hours for children with VVE-indication are free
- There are non-subsidized daycares with a VVE program

DAY CARE 0-4 years old

- Both parents work
- Full time child care 7.30 am – 6 pm
- Costs: 400 euro for one day per week p/month
- Only child care allowance if both parents work
- Horizontal or Vertical groups
- <https://www.rijksoverheid.nl/wetten-en-regelingen/productbeschrijvingen/inzage-landelijk-register-kinderopvang-en-peuterspeelzalen-lrqp>



CHILDCARE FACILITIES for parents working (full time)

For parents working full time, there are three main types of organised childcare facilities In the Netherlands:

- **Day care** (*kinderdagverblijf*)
- **Host Parents** (gastouder)
- **After School Care** (buitenschoolse opvang/naschoolse opvang)
- <https://www.iamsterdam.com/en/living/everyday-essentials/families-and-children/child-allowance>

SCHOOLS IN NL

What choices do you have?

- International schools
- Bilingual schools
- Dutch schools



INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS

Private International Schools

- Not funded by the government
- Fee 15,000-24,000 euro per year
- International Primary Curriculum/IB
- British & European curriculum
- <https://www.expatica.com/nl/education/children-education/list-of-international-schools-in-the-netherlands-102018/>



Local International Schools

- Funded by government
- Fee 3,500-6,000 euro per year
- International Primary Curriculum/IB
- International curriculum
- <http://www.dutchinternationalschools.nl/>

DUTCH PRIMARY SCHOOL

- 4-12 years
- Philosophy/religion
- Group 1/ 2 combined
- Other expectations
- Reading start in group 3
- Start school at day of turning 4
- Average 30 students per class no assistant
- Costs
- Homework
- Schools in the neighborhood
- Home schooling is generally not allowed



INTERNATIONAL vs. DUTCH school

Why choose a Dutch school?

- Staying in the Netherlands for a longer period
- Dutch friends (*playdates!*)
- Learn Dutch
- Demonstrated benefits of learning multiple languages
- Choice of educational philosophies/religions
- More levels in secondary school
- (*Almost*) free



PHILOSOPHIES

- Montessori
- Dalton
- Vrije School
- Jenaplan



CITO – IEP – ROUTE 8

Test
instrument for
all year levels

Pupil monitor
System (LVS)

Central End
test (aptitude
test)
Other options
IEP

Advice tool for
secondary
school

Dutch
language

Study Skills

Maths

BILINGUAL SCHOOLS

2 Types

1. **Bilingual**

- 50-75 % Dutch & more than 25 % English
- Dutch schools
- No fees just a parental contribution
- Pilot schools
- Waiting lists
- Different entry policies

2. **Early English**

- 2 hrs per week English (VVTO)

<https://www.nuffic.nl/onderwerpen/tweetalige-basisscholen/>



THE DUTCH EDUCATION SYSTEM

SCHOOL SYSTEM THE NETHERLANDS



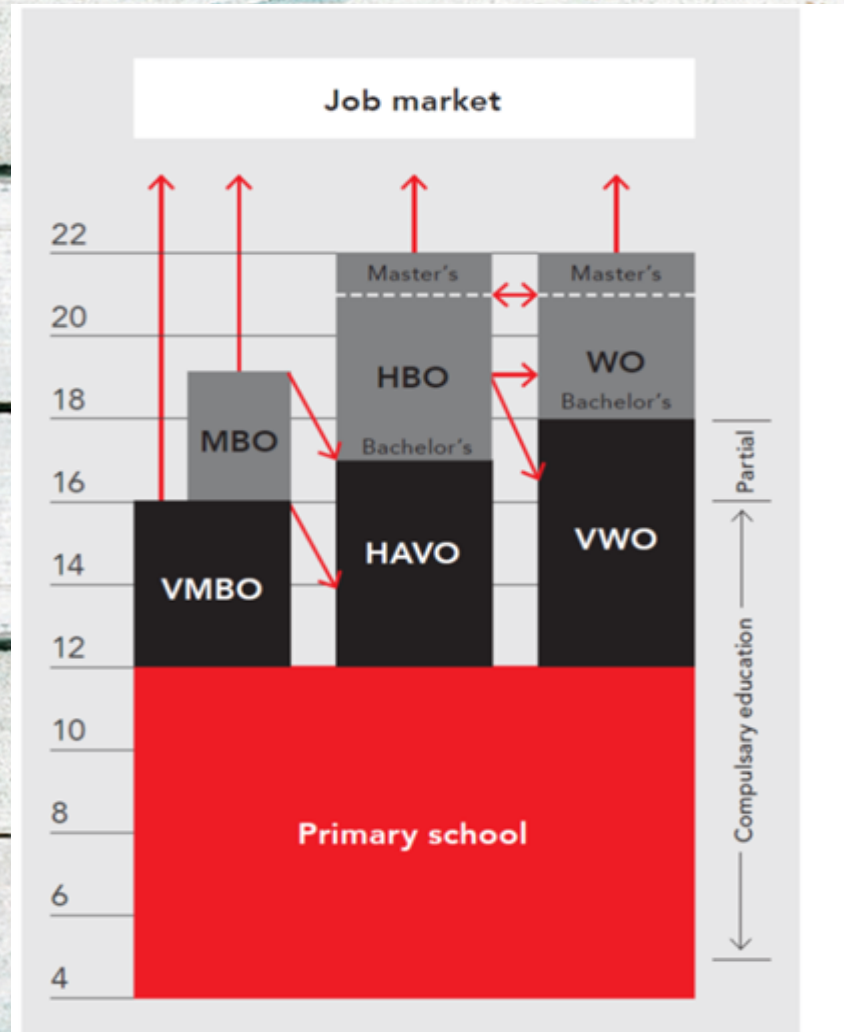
DUTCH SCHOOL SYSTEM

VMBO - preparatory secondary vocational education: 4 yrs

HAVO - senior general secondary education: 5 yrs

VWO - pre-university education: 6 yrs.

Many secondary schools have a mixed level 'bridge class' in the 1st year



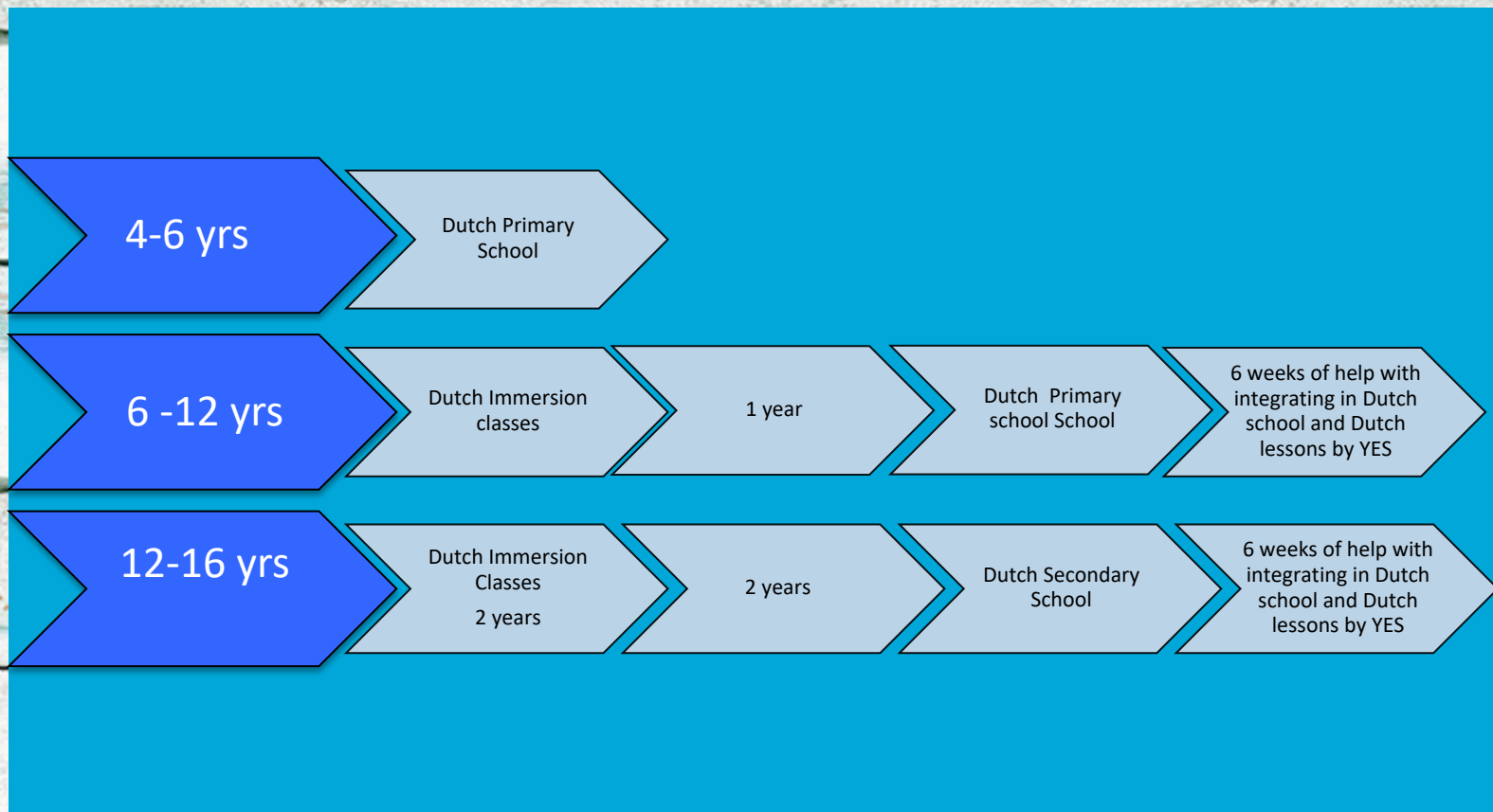
EDUCATION - PROFESSIONS

mbo: Assistant, Secretary, Security officer, Office employee, Hairdresser, Nurse, Childminder

hbo: (=Hogeschool/ University of Applied Sciences):
Teacher, Accountant, Manager, Team leader, Banker,
Architect,
Art director, Journalist, Translator, Real estate agent,
Advisor, Consultant,
Midwife, Artist, Pilot

university: (=WO) Lawyer, Psychologist, Doctor, Surgeon,
Specialist, Expert, Researcher, Notary, Professor, Engineer,
Scientist

DUTCH IMMERSION CLASSES



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Almere

Primary 4-12

<https://www.taalcentrumalmere.nl/basisonderwijs/>

Secondary 12-18

<https://www.taalcentrumalmere.nl/voortgezetonderwijs/>

Flevoland

Primary 5-12

<http://www.aves.nl/onderwijs/schakelvoorziening.html>
(Emmeloord)

Secondary: ISK 12-18

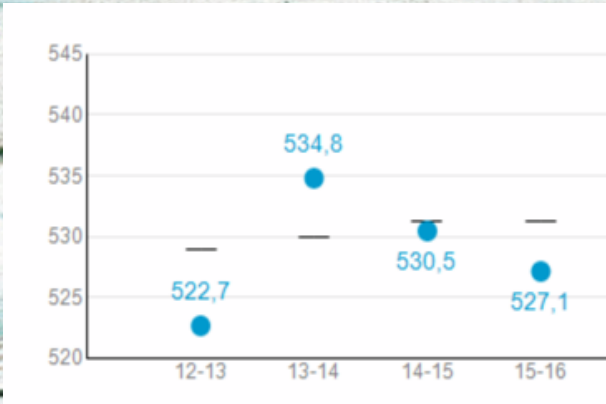
<https://www.caleido-isk.nl/> (Emmeloord)

HOW TO SELECT A SCHOOL?

- Priority criteria
- Educational philosophy/religion
- Average CITO-score + secondary school recommendation
- Early Foreign Language education (VVTO)
- Brede school
- Special focus e.g. arts, culture, sports, music, science
- www.scholenopdekaart.nl

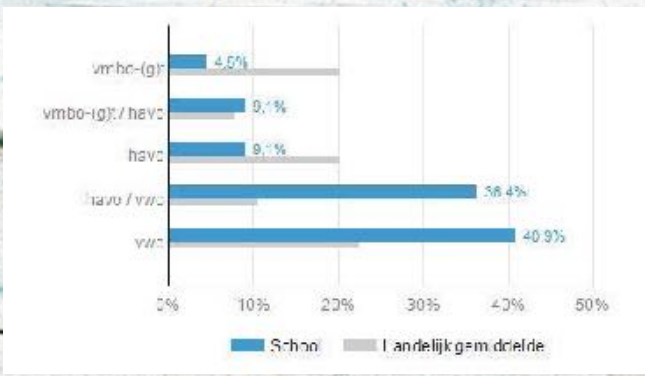


SCHOLEN OP DE KAART(results)



Secondary School Recommendation (Advies)

- VMBO Middle Vocational Education
- HAVO (Higher vocation education)
- VWO (pre university education)
- VMBO-G/T is more theoretical
- VMBO B/k is more practical



JUDGEMENT OF INSPECTION

basistoezicht **Basistoezicht vanaf 24-04-2013** ⓘ

- ☒ 24-04-2013: Rapport van bevindingen onderzoek naar de kwaliteitsverbetering
 PDF-bestand

▼ Toezichthistorie

- 04-12-2013: Basistoezicht
- 24-04-2013: Basistoezicht
- ☒ 24-04-2013: Rapport van bevindingen onderzoek naar de kwaliteitsverbetering
 PDF-bestand
- 10-04-2012: Aangepast toezicht kwaliteit
- ☒ 10-04-2012: Rapport Kwaliteitsonderzoek voor Arrangementonderzoeken
 PDF-bestand
- 30-08-2010: Basistoezicht
- 24-08-2009: Basistoezicht
- 25-03-2008: Basistoezicht

**SOMETHING MUST HAVE
HAPPENED HERE**

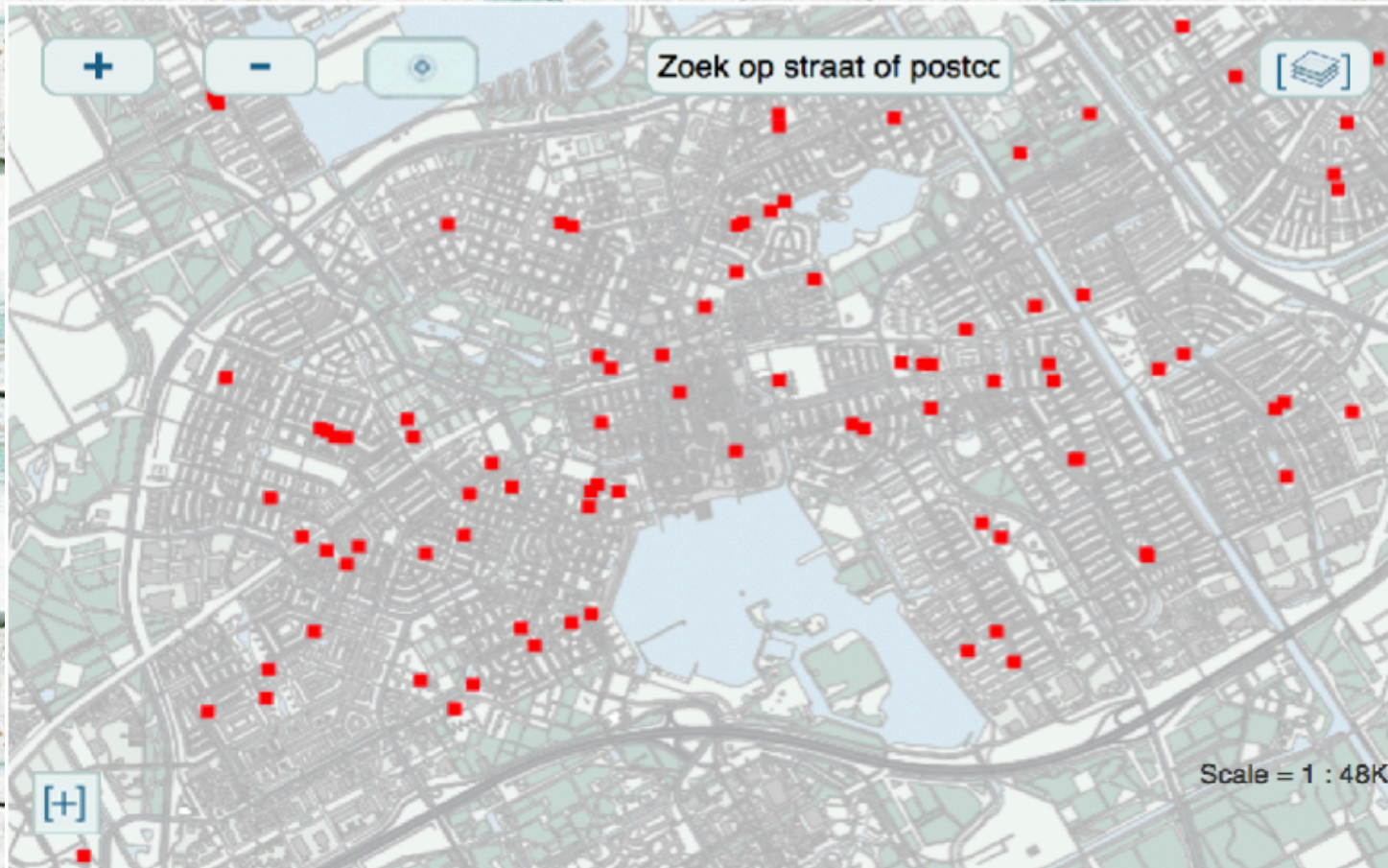
PRIMARY SCHOOLS ALMERE

- 38x openbaar (incl. Montessori & Dalton)
- 12x Prot, 11x Cath, 1x Islamic, 1x Hindu
- 5x cooperation between Cath & Prot.
- 3x 'neutral' school with their own board
- 5x Dalton, 2x Montessori, 3x Jenaplan (some of these schools are religious)
- 1x vrije school (Waldorf)
- 6x special needs schools
- 1x International School



SCHOOLS IN ALMERE

www.almere.nl/leren/basisscholen/



PARENTS IN A DUTCH SCHOOLS

- Parent volunteers (class moms/dads)
- Sign in for activities (school trips, decorate classroom for Christmas, lice parents, traffic patrol, etc)
- Help is always needed
- Get to know the teacher, your child's classmates, and the other parents better



- '10-minute'-meetings

THE DUTCH LUNCH BOX

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Dutch school system

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