

Important note on the Belgian education system.

In Belgium, the Federal State's powers with respect to education are very limited. The Communities are responsible for taking decisions on education and take care of policy preparation and policy implementation. The Flemish Community is therefore responsible for education in the Dutch-speaking part of the country whilst the French Community is the competent authority for the French-speaking part of Belgium, and the German-speaking Community for education in German.

For more information on the Belgian education system please visit the following sites:

- Vlaams Ministerie van Onderwijs en Vorming (Education in the Flemish Community of Belgium)
<http://www.ond.vlaanderen.be/obpwo/links/>
- Administration Général de l'Enseignement et de la Recherche Scientifique (Department of Education and Scientific Research)
<http://www.recherchescientifique.cfwb.be/>