Tadeusz Czacki High School in Warsaw

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Welcome to Czacki High School!

Who are we?

Tadeusz Czacki High School offers a general education programme to students living in Warsaw and its suburbs. On average, around 600 students attend Czacki High School each year.



The school employs 60 members of highly-educated staff.

Czacki High School in Warsaw prides itself in its long tradition, which dates back to 1876. Despite (or owing to) its age, the school continues to score above average in "matura" exams, ranking high every year in Perspektywy academic performance charts. Each year, around 1000 students compete to be admitted into our school. Here they become active, community-minded members of society and often succeed in various nationwide and international Olympiads and competitions.

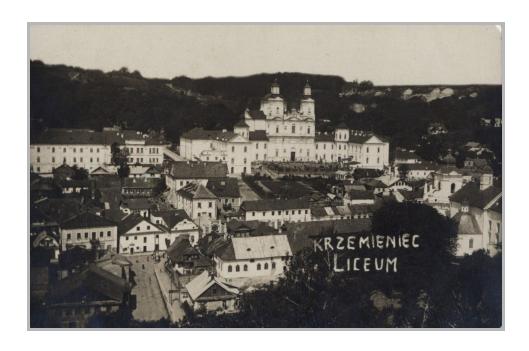
The school has worked hard to earn its reputation.

According to the latest Perspektywy chart, Czacki is the 10th school in Poland and the 4th school in Warsaw academically. Our graduates continue their education at renowned universities in Poland and all over the world.

Our patron, Tadeusz Czacki

Tadeusz Czacki (born 1765, died 1813) is the patron of our school. A lawyer, historian and the co-founder of the Warsaw Society of Friends of Learning, he was one of the most influential academics of his time. He was the founder of the Kremenets Liceum, the place where many Polish intellectuals of the time spent their formative years. Czacki had plans of converting his elite school (with one of the greatest libraries in all of Europe) into a university, which sadly never gained traction. He was an innovator and a reformer, his systemic strategy was to pair students up with the right teachers to provide them with top-notch didactic aid and learning conditions and to introduce small study groups as well as project making as a method of learning. Unfortunately, his school was closed down in 1831 as a result of a failed Polish uprising. It was reopened in 1922 by marshal Józef Piłsudski.





Tradition

Tadeusz Czacki High School in Warsaw was founded 1876 by the Merchants' Guild. In 1918 it became property of the state and evolved into Tadeusz Czacki State Gymnasium. In 1923 the school acquired its official banner. The colour guard tradition has been cherished ever since. Three days before the outbreak of WWII the school got upgraded into a high school. The school was carrying out its didactic role even during the dangerous times of war. After having been closed down by the communist regime in 1950, it was reopened in 1959. Steadily making its name throughout the years, the school is now viewed as one of the best in Poland. With superb facilities and a prime location in the centre of Warsaw, it continues to attract numerous candidates from even the most distant suburbs of the capital city.

Classes by Major

Biology and Chemistry

Students of this class receive a comprehensive education in the field of Biology, Chemistry, Latin and Mathematics (optional).

Arts and Humanities

In addition to Polish, History and Civic Studies, students of this class also take Latin and History of Theatre classes.

Social Sciences

The syllabus of this class includes Civic Studies, Geography, History and Mathematics.

Information Technology

For all those wanting to school themselves in IT, Physics and Mathematics.





The Drama Festival

Czacki is famous for its annual Drama Festival, which takes place in December. The tradition dates back to the late 1980's, when a group of students decided to put on one of Witold Gombrowicz's plays to celebrate the Polish Education Day. This was the start to the marvelous, every-year competition that opens itself to students of all walks of (academic) life, be it young physicists, microbiologists or philosophers.

It is at the beginning of every school year when students start gathering before, between and after classes to write plays, adapt existing books, have castings, rehearse, negotiate subsidies, put up the actual stage on which actors will later dazzle the public, check the lights and deal with the nitty-gritty of running this 32-year-old enterprise. What's worth noting is that teachers do not interfere in the Festival's business, unless asked for help, which they're always eager to provide (and even turn a blind eye to the temporary absent-mindedness of most students during that time). The Drama Festival continues to attract the attention of Warsaw's mayor, of companies that are willing to subsidize the event and of friends and families of those involved, who fill up our auditorium to the brim









The School Choir

The School Choir of Czacki High School was founded in 2001 by prof. Marcin Bieliński and has been led by him up to this day. The Choir provides musical background to all school assemblies, as well as Christmas and Easter celebrations held in school. It brings together talented singers and apt instrumentalists attending our school and those who have already completed their education at our facility. The Choir has made two records so far and it goes on tour every year, cultivating an 11-year-old tradition.



BDTeam

The Astronomical Club BDTeam started operating in 2003, when the first virtual telescope observing session took place, organized by prof. Barbara Dłużewska and Lech Mankiewicz (PhD) from CFT, as part of the Telescopes in Education programme. The Czacki Foundation granted the club its first telescope in 2004, their newest gear, which relies on the Newton system, was purchased in 2015. The club's members take part in numerous escapades outside Warsaw (and sometimes abroad!) to observe the sky at its clearest. In 2007 BDTeam discovered a planetoid, formerly known as K07G04A, later renamed by Czacki students to PAWELMAKSYM, as a commemoration of a Polish astronomy lecturer, Paweł Maksym.



Sports

All first-grade students are obliged to attend weekly swimming classes at a municipal swimming pool adjacent to our school building. We take part in Vistula River High School Rowing Eights Regatta, we provide our students with the opportunity to practice with professional equipment. Our students take part in ski camps every year.

The Student Council

All those who attend our school form the Student Council of Czacki High School. They do however elect a pair of representatives - "konsule" - to better communicate with the teachers and to organize school celebrations and activities, including movie nights, charity fundraisers and important anniversaries. Since 2015, our school has been taking part in Amnesty International's Write for Rights. We also support WOŚP, Góra Grosza and Szlachetna Paczka.

Tadealia

Cultivating the memory of our patron plays a great role in maintaining our school's identity. That's why every year on October 28th we celebrate the name day of our patron, and we do it by organizing meetings with people from Kremenets, where the famous Kremenets Liceum founded by Tadeusz Czacki operated, organizing various quizzes, field games and art competitions for our students.

