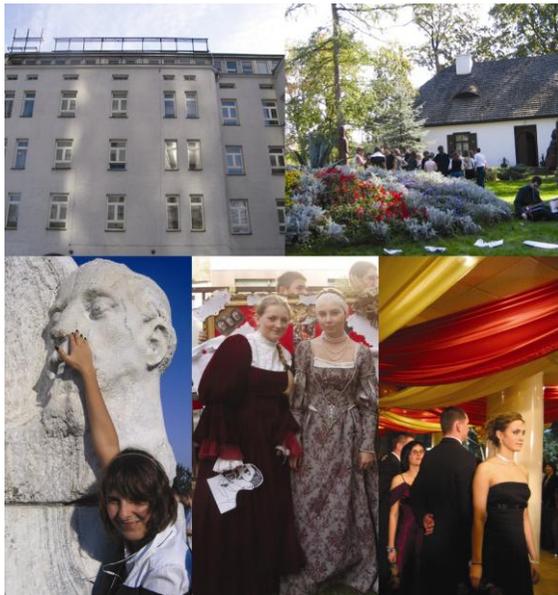


Welcome to our school!

We are a state High School located in the centre of Warsaw. It is home for over 480 students forming 16 separate classes.

The teaching staff consists of 36 specialists, all working under invaluable supervision of our dear **Headteacher – Mrs Elżbieta Wyszomolek**, and the **Deputy Headteacher – Mrs Mirosława Komor**

Our school aims to provide a challenging, supportive, exciting and interesting curriculum for students of all abilities. Therefore, apart from Polish, five foreign languages are taught in our school: English, German, French, Russian, Spanish.



The Henryk Sienkiewicz, XIIth High

School was established in 1990, hence in 2010 we celebrate the 20-th anniversary of its existence. It was named after Henryk Sienkiewicz, a Polish journalist and Nobel Prize-winning novelist creating at the turn of the 19th and 20th centuries. The edifice which our school is located in is a pre-war, four-storey tenement which was once directly connected with the wall of the Warsaw Ghetto. It is one of the very few buildings that survived the time of the utter levelling of the city by the Nazis during the Second World War. It is worth mentioning that our school cherishes the memories of the Ghetto, therefore we run a literary-cultural club in charge of a project preserving memories of the Warsaw Ghetto and the Sienna Street, where the school is located at.

For years our school has been cultivating **traditions** devoted to Henryk Sienkiewicz and his merits. Those are, to enumerate two most crucial, the annual first formers pledge in Wola Okrzejska, Sienkiewicz's birthplace, and the School's Day, celebrated on 27th October, the anniversary of bringing Sienkiewicz's ashes from abroad and placing them in the Warsaw metropolitan cathedral.



Extra-curricular activities

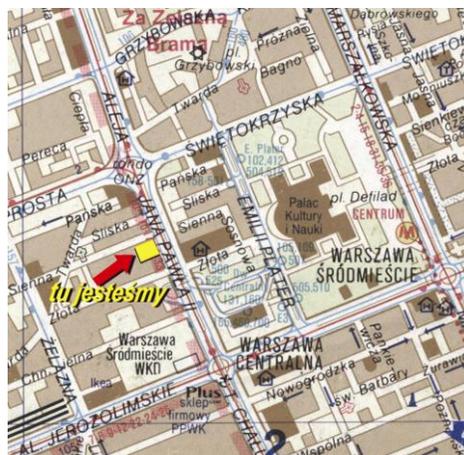
Apart from the obligatory classes our students are offered a wide range of opportunities to broaden their interests and skills during numerous after-school activities.

To enumerate some of them, we have a chivalry traditions club, theatre club, language club, film club and class about the culture of the English-speaking world.

In our school we have a thriving, numerous prize-winning theatre 'Scena bez dystansu'. Those who are enthusiastic about history and curious about the world can attend ethnography classes, often connected with various workshops, frequently away-from-school meetings devoted to pottery, weaving or Easter egg painting (an unique Polish tradition), to enumerate a few.

Moreover, we have journalistic workshops which are fruitfully transformed into three school journals/news-sheets – 'Nic to', 'Krzesełło' and 'Hello12'. Additionally, apart from the literature contests, we organise frequent debates with politicians, therefore, take great care in developing the skill of discussion.

Our students participate in a number of various projects, like 'Youth is Voting', 'Traces of the Past', 'Let's Bring Back the Memories of the Past'. Last but not least, our school is deeply engaged into multiple charities, voluntary work and our students eagerly participate in working within the school government.



Location

Henryk Sienkiewicz XIIth High School is located in the very city centre of Warsaw at the crossroads of Sienna and Jana Pawła Streets, and occupies a four-storey tenement house dating back to the pre-war times.

Due to extremely attractive location our students can easily and quickly commute to our school from all of the districts of Warsaw, itself, as well as from the suburbia. All of that is easily accessible thanks to direct neighbourhood of our school with the Central Railway Station (Dworzec Centralny), Warsaw Local Train (WKD) and numerous bus and tram stops.

Trams: 7, 8, 9, 10, 16, 17, 19, 22, 24, 25, 33

Buses: 102, 105, 109, 118, 119, 127, 128, 130, 131, 150, 155, 160, 174, 175, 178, 195, 500, 501, 502, 504, 505, 506, 507, 510, 512, 514, 515, 517, 519, 520, 521, 525, E-5

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Our students and teachers create a community in which every member is valued. For this reason and for its unique atmosphere, Henryk Sienkiewicz High is increasingly popular as a school of choice by students, both, local and from further a field.