



THE ORCHID SCHOOL

## Circular for Class V to VIII - Updated Language Policy

**The Orchid School**  
**Baner, Pune**

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**Circular No.** TOS/FRO/CIR/15-16/10

**Subject:** Option to change the 3rd language (Classes V to VIII)

**Dear Parents,**

We have felt the need to re- visit the current Language Policy because of some compelling reason.

**What are the reasons?**

1. CBSE guidelines given for three language formula.
2. State guidelines for compulsory Marathi language.
3. Uncertainty and risk of change in language policy by government.

**What is the new policy?**

The policy will be-

1. German will not be an option as a third language.
2. Marathi will be the only option as third language from Class V to VIII.
3. In Class IX students can select Hindi or Marathi as the third language.

**Who will be impacted?**

The students who have German as Composite Language.

**What will happen to German Language?**

TOS recognizes the need of learning the foreign language. Hence German language will be offered as an option in the form of hobby class at all levels.

**Important to note:**

- The students of Classes V to VIII who wish to shift to Marathi as 3rd language in the current academic year (2015-2016), they should give an application to the Class Teacher latest by 11th August. No application will be accepted after this date.
- The students who do not wish to shift the option of 3rd language, can continue with the same option (Composite Marathi and Composite German) for the current academic year only.
- The school will take care about the assessment related formalities due to the language change.
- Parents will have to support the child in matching up with the expectation of the language.
- Once the 2nd language is chosen in class IX, no request of change will be accepted under any circumstances.
- The students who will join TOS in Class VII or VIII and have not learnt Hindi or Marathi as 3rd language, for them the option will be decided as per the individual case by the Principal and the Unit Head.

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