



Advocates for Children of New York

Protecting every child's right to learn

MANHATTAN: Enrollment Information for Immigrant Students in Temporary Housing



HOW CAN I ENROLL MY CHILD IN SCHOOL?

Go the [Family Welcome Center](#) for the district where your shelter is located. Family Welcome Centers help families with enrollment all year round. If you don't know which district your shelter is in, **call 311** or look it up at: <https://schoolsearch.schools.nyc/>.

WHERE ARE THE FAMILY WELCOME CENTERS?

Manhattan Family Welcome Centers

Serving Districts 1, 2, 4:

333 Seventh Avenue, 12th Floor, Room 1211
Phone: 917-339-1763, Email: 333FWC@schools.nyc.gov

Serving District 1: 166 Essex Street

Serving Districts 3, 5, 6

388 West 125th Street, 7th Floor, Room 713
Phone: 212-342-8301, Email: 125FWC@schools.nyc.gov

Serving District 6

549 Audubon Avenue



WHAT IF MY CHILD NEEDS HELP LEARNING ENGLISH?

If your child needs help learning English, **you can choose from the programs below:**

- [Dual Language](#) (the teacher speaks Spanish and English equally),
- [Transitional Bilingual Education](#) (the teacher speaks Spanish and English but as your child's English improves, the teacher speaks less Spanish), or
- [English as a New Language \(ENL\)](#) (the teacher speaks English only and is the most common program, available in all schools.)

If the school your child is enrolling in does not have the program you want, you have the right to request a transfer to a different school that offers it. You also have a right to [free translation and interpretation](#) services from your child's school and at the Family Welcome Center. You can access these services by **calling (718) 935-2013** or emailing Hello@schools.nyc.gov



WHO CAN HELP?

Your child should be enrolled in school the same day you try to enroll, even if you don't have the documents normally needed. If there is a delay or if you have a question about language supports, contact: [Students in Temporary Housing Regional Managers: 333 7th Avenue, 7th Floor](#)

Districts 1 and 4
Cecilio (Bo) Diaz
917-339-1698
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Districts 2 and 3
Iris Gersten
917-339-1718
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Districts 5 and 6
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Have more questions? Call Advocates for Children's Education Helpline (866) 427-6033
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