



Advocates for Children of New York

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BROOKLYN: 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?



Brooklyn Family Welcome Centers			
Serving Districts 13, 14, 15, 16: 355 Park Place Phone: 718-623-5069, Email: ParkPlaceFWC@schools.nyc.gov		Serving Districts 19, 23, 32: 1665 St. Marks Place, Room 116 Phone: 718-240-3598, Email: StMarksFWC@schools.nyc.gov	
Serving Districts 17, 18, 22 1780 Ocean Avenue, 3rd Floor Phone: 718-758-7744, Email: OceanFWC@schools.nyc.gov		Serving Districts 20, 21 415 89th Street, 5th Floor Phone: 718-759-3900, Email: 89thFWC@schools.nyc.gov	

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:](#)

- **Districts 13, 16:** Emily Mann, 718-935-5457, emann4@schools.nyc.gov
- **Districts 14, 15, 17, 18:** Charmaine Gaynor, 718-935-3562, cgaynor@schools.nyc.gov
- **Districts 19, 20, 21, 22, 32:** Lucia Figueras, 646-995-0121, lfigueras@schools.nyc.gov
- **District 23:** Arian Halsey, 718-758-7722, ahalsey6@schools.nyc.gov



Have more questions? Call Advocates for Children's Education Helpline (866) 427-6033
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