

HOW TO USE THIS PAMPHLET

Parents: As a parent or guardian, know your child has the right to a free public education and you should not feel intimidated from registering your child for any educational services offered in BCPS. Schools cannot request any information that discloses our immigrant status.

Students: In BCPS, we are committed to respecting your rights to an equitable educational experience and to ensure access to resources to support your academic career in a safe environment.

Teachers: BCPS provides resources and opportunities through various departments that can be accessed to support immigrant students. Encourage students to experience and embrace the culture of their peers while exploring the concepts of culture, diversity, and immigration.

All BCPS Staff: BCPS has a responsibility to ensure all students, regardless of immigration status, religion or country of origin, safely access a free public K-12 education. Through policies and practices, we have committed to quality education for all.

BEYOND HIGH SCHOOL

Upon graduation, Florida provides various opportunities for all students. BCPS School Counselors and Broward Advisors for Continuing Education (BRACE) are great resources to research scholarships, career pathways and other opportunities, as well as an annual college/career fair. Below are some of the scholarship opportunities available:

Broward Education Fund with support from BRACE, raises dollars to provide scholarships to deserving graduating seniors who dream of attending a community college, university or vocational school. <http://browardedfoundation.org>

Florida Shines provides an array of academic advising, career readiness and distance learning resources for students and parents. <https://www.floridashines.org>

Florida Students provides sources Student Tutorials and Resources to support learning in language arts, mathematics, science, civics, and U.S. History. <http://www.floridastudents.org/#>

Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program establishes 3 lottery-funded scholarships to reward Florida high school graduates for high academic achievement. <http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/ssfad/bf>

TheDream.US is a national scholarship fund for DREAMers enrolled in partner colleges for DACA recipients. <http://www.thedream.us>

Florida Immigrant Coalition (FLIC) offers an in state tuition program for undocumented students. www.floridaimmigrant.org 1-888-600-5767

Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund (MALDEF) offers a Scholarship Resource Guide for students and parents with an extensive list of scholarships, including many not inquiring about immigration status. www.maldef.org

ABOUT THIS PAMPHLET

This pamphlet includes information about immigrant legal rights and resources. Such materials are for informational purposes only and may not reflect the most current developments. These materials are not intended, and should not be taken, as legal advice on any particular set of facts or circumstances. You should contact an attorney for advice on specific legal issues or concerns.

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The purpose of this pamphlet is to provide an overview of the rights and services for immigrant students within Broward County Public Schools (BCPS.)

School Board of Broward County, FL (SBBC) adopted Resolution No. 17-98 designating the School Board of Broward County, FL as an inclusive, safe and welcoming district ensuring a protected space and environment for all students regardless of immigration status, religion, or country of origin to learn and thrive.

Bilingual/ESOL Department

Student Support Initiatives
Department

Office of Academics

English

EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

Broward County Public Schools

www.browardschools.com 754-321-0000

Registration Requirements

<http://www.browardschools.com/Parents-Students/Parent-Student-Pages/Register-My-Child-in-School>

Bilingual/ESOL Department

Translation & Interpretation Services; English Language Learners; Immigrant Students; Bilingual Parent Outreach Office

<http://esol.browardschool.com> 754-321-2590

English, Spanish, Haitian Creole, Portuguese

Exceptional Student Education & Support

Services <http://www.bcps-esandsupportservices.com> 754-321-3400

Student Support Initiatives

Diversity, Prevention & Intervention; Homeless; Social Emotional Learning; Equity Academic Attainment; Student Health Services; Attendance; Home Education; Mentoring Tomorrow's Leaders; and more
<http://browardstudentservices.com>
754-321-1660

School Counseling 754-321-1675

Family Counseling 754-321-1590

School Social Work Services 754-321-1618

Career, Technical, Adult, Community Education

<http://academics.browardschools.com/ctace>
754-321-8400

Broward Community Schools

<http://www.browardcommunityschools.com>
754-321-7600

YOUR IMMIGRANT RIGHTS

Immigrant students and parents in Florida have the opportunity to access resources for support. Being informed of your immigration status is the first step in moving forward. As of July 1, 2014, all FL graduates, including undocumented students will be eligible to pay in-state tuition at local colleges and universities. **Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)** You may request consideration for deferred action for childhood arrivals if you:

- Came to the U.S. before reaching your 16th birthday;
- Have continuously resided in the U.S. since 01/01/2010, to the present time;
- Had no lawful status on 06/2012;
- Were physically present in the U.S. on 06/15/2012, and at the time of making your request for consideration of deferred action with USCIS;
- Are currently in school, have graduated or obtained a certificate of completion from high school, have obtained a General Education Development (GED) certificate, or are an honorably discharged veteran of the U.S. armed forces or U.S. Coast Guard; and
- Have not been convicted of a felony, significant misdemeanor or 3 or more other misdemeanors, and do not otherwise pose a threat to national security or public safety.

Additional details about the expanded DACA guidelines can be found at www.uscis.gov/immigrationaction

LEGAL, MEDICAL & SOCIAL SERVICES

211 Broward First Call For Help Hotline

211 or 954-537-0211

211 We Are Broward resource webpage

<http://211-broward.org/wearebroward>

Boys & Girls Club

954-537-1010 www.bgcbc.org

Broward Community & Health Centers

954-266-2999 <http://www.bcfhc.org>

Broward Regional Health Planning Council

Affordable Care Act (ACA) Navigator Services

954-561-9681 Ext. 1226 www.brhpc.org

Catholic Charities Legal Services

954-306-9537 <http://www.cclsmiami.org>

Center for Independent Living of Broward

954-722-6400 <http://www.cilbroward.org>

Church World Services

954-617-9219 www.cwsglobal.org

Community Access Center

954-534-9113 www.cacfl.org

Cora E. Branyon Family Health Center

954-759-6600

<https://www.browardhealth.org/locations/cora-e-braynon-family-health-center>

Dept. of Children & Families/ ACCESS Dept.

954-375-3338

www.myflorida.com/accessflorida

The Dept. of Health Refugee Health Program

954-467-4700 Ext. 4550

www.broward.floridahealth.gov

LEGAL, MEDICAL & SOCIAL SERVICES cntd

Florida KidCare, The Department of Health
954-467-8737

<http://floridakidcare.org/eligibility/non-citizens.html>

Florida Immigrant Coalition, FLIC

305-571-7254, www.floridaimmigrant.org

Gulf Coast Jewish Family & Community Services

954-703-3570

www.gulfcoastjewishfamilyandcommunityservices.org

HANDY 954-522-2911 <https://handyinc.org>

Hispanic Unity of Florida

954-342-0296, 954-964-8884 Ext 203 or 216

www.hispanicunity.org

Harmony Development Center

954-766-4483

<http://www.harmonydevelopmentcenter.org>

Henderson Behavioral Health

954-486-4005 www.hendersonbh.org

Kids In Distress, Inc.

954-390-7654 www.kidinc.org

Legal Aid Services of Broward County

954-765-8950 www.browardlegalaid.org

Light of World Clinic

954-563-9876

<http://www.lightoftheworldclinic.com>

SEIU Florida

<http://www.seiufl.org>

Youth Co-op, Refugee Service Center

954-961-1542 <http://www.ycoop.org>

