Attending Schools in the United States

“Attending Schools in the United States” is the second topic in the English Learner Family Tool Kit. This tool kit is meant to support families of English learners (ELs) in the U.S. education system. Each topic has five parts: (1) Overview, (2) Family and Student Rights, (3) Questions to Ask School Staff, (4) Tips, and (5) Resources.

Resources


This is a guide developed by the state of Illinois to help parents learn how to enroll their child in school. There are some items that are specific to the state, like specific documents needed for proof of residence, but some of the information is more general.


This website provides titles of books, some in different languages, about coming to the United States and attending school. These books are suitable for students in preschool, as well as elementary, middle, and high school.


This handbook helps families understand schools in the United States. The handbook is available in Burmese, English, French, Somali, and Spanish.


This web page is meant to help new arrivals navigate the public school system, and includes questions and answers about enrollment.

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