



Effingham County Board of Education Frequently Asked Enrollment Questions

Q: I have misplaced my child's birth certificate. How do I obtain a certified copy?

A: Each state has an agency that is responsible for vital records. Contact the agency for the state in which your child was born. Provided below are links to the Effingham County Probate Office, Georgia Department of Vital Records and VitalChek. VitalChek is a fast and convenient way to order certified vital records online from all states.

Effingham County Probate Court – 754-2112

<http://www.effinghamcounty.org/>

(NOTE: If a student was born in Chatham or Effingham County, the Effingham County Probate Court may be able to provide a birth certificate. The Probate Court asks that parents call to inquire if birth certificate is accessible. Fees apply for certified copies.)

Georgia Department of Human Resources/Vital Records - (404) 679-4701

<http://health.state.ga.us/programs/vitalrecords/birth.asp>

VitalChek

<http://www.vitalchek.com/>

(NOTE: VitalChek charges a small processing fee for use of this service.)

Q: I have misplaced my child's social security card. How do I obtain a copy?

A: An application for a social security card will need to be completed and taken to a local Social Security Administration office along with other required documents. Listed below is the link to download the application.

Social Security Administration - (800) 772-1213

<http://www.socialsecurity.gov/ssnumber/>

Local Social Security Office(s) -

430 Mall Blvd., Savannah, GA 31406 - (912) 353-7059

1050 Brannen St., Statesboro, GA 30461 - (866) 748-2088

Q: How do I obtain a Georgia Immunization Form and / or Certificate of Vision, Hearing, Dental, and Nutrition Screening Form?

A: Contact your child's (Georgia) medical provider or visit the Effingham County Health Department at 802 Hwy 119 South, Springfield.

(NOTE: The Effingham County Health Department does not file for private insurance and charges increased rates for patients with private insurance policies. The Health Dept. does not take appointments and patients requiring immunizations or Certificate of Vision, Hearing, Dental, and Nutrition Screenings must sign-in prior to 3:30 pm)

If you have completed forms from another state, you must visit the Effingham County Health Department or another Georgia medical provider to have the information translated to the approved Georgia forms.

Q: I rented or purchased my home within the last 30 days and have not yet received a utility bill. What documentation do I need to provide?

A: Contact your local utility company to obtain documentation that service is pending. Be sure that this documentation states the physical address of the residence.

Q: Can I get Insurance for my children?

A: Parents have the option to enroll students for accident insurance either online (<http://markel.sevencorners.com>) or by calling the toll free number 877-444-5014. A copy of the brochure is available on the website to download and print if needed.

Q: I live with someone else and do not have any utilities in my name. What documentation do I need to provide?

A: A utility bill in the name of the person with whom your family is living must be provided. Please refer to “Student Enrollment Requirements” for a more detailed explanation.

Q: Are cell phone bills accepted as proof of residence?

A: Cell phone bills are not accepted as valid proof of residence. Telephone, electric or another utility bill that includes the physical address of the residence is accepted.

Q: I do not have a copy of my utility bill. How do I obtain a copy?

A: Contact your utility company or print a copy of your most recent e-bill. Links are provided below for some local utility companies.

BellSouth – (800) 757-6500

<http://www.bellsouth.com>

City of Rincon – (912) 826-5745

<http://www.cityofrincon.com/services-forms.htm>

City of Springfield – (912) 754-6666

<http://www.cityofspringfield.com/admin-forms.htm>

City of Guyton – (912) 772-3353

Comcast Cable – (912) 354-7531

<http://www.comcast.com/>

DirecTV – (800) 494-4388

<http://www.directv.com>

Dish Network – (888) 284-7116

<http://www.dishnetwork.com>

Effingham County Board of Commissioners – (912) 754-2143

<http://www.effinghamcounty.org>

Georgia Power – (888) 660-5890

<http://www.georgiapower.com/>

Water Utility Management, LLC – (912) 352-9339

(South Atlantic Utilities, Middle Georgia Water, Coastal Georgia, Chatham Water)

<http://www.chathamwater.com/>

Planters Electric – (478) 982-4722

<http://www.plantersemc.com>

Planters Telephone – (912) 857-4411

<http://www.planters.net/>

SCANA Energy – (877) 467-2262

<http://www.scana.com/en/>

Windstream – (800) 501-1754

<http://www.windstream.com/>