



STUDENT AND FAMILY IMMIGRATION SUPPORTS

A focal priority of Charles County Public Schools (CCPS) is that all students, no matter their background, are supported and provided access to a high-quality education in safe learning environments.

Important things to know

1. State education laws entitle children to attend public schools in the county in which they reside, regardless of citizenship or residency status.
2. Federal and state laws protect education records and personal information. CCPS cannot release such information without written consent from a parent/guardian, unless it is for educational purposes, otherwise authorized by law, or in response to a court order or subpoena.
3. CCPS has guidance in place for school administrators and staff to follow as it relates to addressing immigration matters in schools.



Parents/guardians should update the emergency contacts listed on file for their child at school.

- This can be done in person at your child's school or through the email on file with CCPS. School principals can confirm with parents/guardians which staff member an email should be sent to.
- CCPS can only release a student to a person identified as an emergency contact with permission to pick up the child, as noted in the CCPS student information system, Synergy.



For long-term planning, parents/guardians can identify a "standby guardian" to care for their child in case of an emergency.

- The Maryland Judiciary Form can be provided by a parent/guardian to their child's school, health care provider(s) and/or family members.
- Additional standby guardian resources are posted online at the People's Law Library of Maryland.

Additional family resources are posted on the CCPS website at <https://www.ccboe.com/parents/immigration-supports>

Scan the QR codes to access helpful resources.



Immigration Supports



The Maryland Judiciary Form



The People's Law Library of Maryland