

Immigration Frequently Asked Questions for Parents

- **Does the district support immigrants?**
 - Yes, we embrace people of all cultures. Diversity is one of our core values. [Click here](#) to read a statement by the Superintendent on diversity and immigration, and [click here](#) to read a resolution by the Board of Education, signed Feb. 4, 2017, affirming these beliefs.
- **Does GCS need to know my immigration status or that of my child?**
 - No. By federal law, the district will not and cannot ask a student's immigration status. We welcome all school-age children to our campuses and want them to thrive in our schools. *All students are guaranteed access to a K-12 public education, regardless of immigration status.*
- **Is it safe to send my child to school?**
 - Yes. We do not collect information about immigration status; therefore we cannot share it with law enforcement. We will do everything in our power to protect our students.
- **If I am detained and cannot meet my child at the bus stop, what will happen to him or her?**
 - Your child will be returned to the school, and school officials will reach out to the Department of Social Services to find appropriate care.
- **What can I do to prepare for potential issues?**
 - Make an emergency plan with other family members or neighbors. Make sure the school district has the proper contact information.
- **My child is fearful of what might happen to our family. How can I ease his or her fears?**
 - [Click here](#) for guidelines from the American School Counselors Association.
- **What rights do I have regarding immigration?**
 - [Click here](#) for Know Your Rights documents in multiple languages.