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Frequently asked questions about school/program placement:

Can I register my child for school at any time of the year?

- There is no deadline to register for school. New Brunswick Public Schools offer open registration throughout the school year.

How do I re-enroll my children after an extended leave?

- Please contact the Student Welcome Centre if you left the school district for an extended period of time so your eligibility can be verified.

Which school is best for my child?

- All schools follow the curriculum set by the Department of Education [Curriculum Development \(Anglophone Sector\) \(gnb.ca\)](#) and all secondary schools have a pathway university entrance program. Universities accept students based on marks, not the name of a particular secondary school.

How do you determine what grade my child will go into?

- Students in kindergarten to Grade 8 are placed in the grade that matches their age. There is a formalized advancement and retention process.
- High school students may receive credit for classes completed outside of Canada or in another province.
- **Grade Placement Chart:**

2024-2025			
Birth Year	Grade	Age	graduation year *if on target
2019	K	5	2037
2018	1	6	2036
2017	2	7	2035
2016	3	8	2034
2015	4	9	2033
2014	5	10	2032
2013	6	11	2031
2012	7	12	2030
2011	8	13	2029
2010	9	14	2028
2009	10	15	2027
2008	11	16	2026
2007	12	17	2025

How old does my child have to be in order to register for kindergarten?

- If your child will be five years old by December 31<sup>st</sup>, they can start kindergarten in September of that year. For more information about kindergarten registration please check the following link: [Transition to Kindergarten | Anglophone East School District \(nbed.ca\)](#)

### What school would my child attend?

- Elementary and high school students typically attend the neighborhood school in their catchment area if you live within that school's boundary and there is space and a program available. Find your catchment school here: [Home Page - BusPlanner Web \(nbed.nb.ca\)](#).

### What happens after I register my child at the Student Welcome Center?

- If all required documents are submitted, we may schedule an assessment for your child (if needed). The SWC will then upload your child's file to your neighbourhood school. Schools have a once weekly 'Welcome Day' for new students to the school. Elementary schools usually need 5 working days to process each student's file, and 5 to 10 working days for Secondary schools. Following registration, students and family may be invited to a meeting with the Intercultural Support Worker or the High School Pathway and Career Counsellor for information about the school district or high school specifically.
- Students who would benefit from initial language support prior to school entry may be invited to attend the **Strong Start Program** for a period of time.
- If you have not heard from the school within a period of time, **phone the school directly**. If your neighbourhood school is full, then your neighbourhood school will find a place for your child at a nearby school. **The school will inform you of the placement as soon as it is ready**. The Student Welcome Center does not have placement information.

### How long does my child have to wait after registering before he or she can go to school?

- It usually takes 1-2 weeks for elementary school students and 2 weeks for high school students between the date of registration and the first day of school. Sometimes longer at busier times.  
\*See previous question for more details.

### What happens if a school is full and my child is placed at a nearby school? Are they on a waiting list for the following academic year?

- Your child will be placed in the next closest school that has space and a program available by the director of schools. An elementary school student can transfer to the neighbourhood school when space becomes available. Secondary school students may only transfer to the neighbourhood school at the end of the school year, provided there is space, resources and a program available to accommodate the student.

### If my child has a special learning need, what do I need to do?

- If your child has special learning needs, bring all available medical records, psycho-educational assessments and Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) to the Student Welcome Center when you register your child. If you do not have these records, we will ask you to sign a form giving us permission to request them from their previous school.
- We will send these records to Education Support Services who will work with you to identify support systems to help your child.

### What happens if my child has little or no English?

- Your child's English language skills will be assessed at the Student Welcome Center on intake. Extra language support will be provided, if necessary, by staff at the school.

#### Do all elementary schools have an English as an Additional Language (EAL) support?

- All elementary schools have staff who offer EAL support. Exactly how that will look varies from school to school. Your child's new school would be happy to explain their support program to you.

#### Do all secondary schools have an English as an Additional Language (EAL) classes?

- All secondary schools have either in person or online EAL classes. They also have language classes for students who are more advanced in their English language learning.

#### I have completed my Grade 12 in my home country. Can I register for high school?

- Those who have completed high school and are interested in post-secondary education should contact the institution of their choice to inquire about admission requirements. If high school upgrading is required, contact the Student Welcome Centre to discuss registration options.

#### I would like to homeschool my child. How do I apply to do this?

- Registration process for home-schooled students:
  - 1 . Home school applications will be received at the Office of the Superintendent for Anglophone East School District (ASD-E).
  - 2 . District staff will process the application and send to the Department of Education, Early Childhood Development.
  - 3 . A letter from the *Minister of Education* will be mailed to the parent/guardian.