

STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE · ALPHARETTA

School Enrollment in Alpharetta: 2026 Guide (Fulton County Schools)

The right district, the online application, the voluntary SSN, the two proofs of address and why a gas bill is not accepted.

SHORT ANSWER

Start with the right district: Alpharetta is served by **Fulton County Schools**, not Atlanta Public Schools. Registration begins online, then you contact the school zoned to your address. The SSN is voluntary and waivers are available. The real condition is proof of address: two documents in the parent's name, one of which must be a **monthly electric or water statement**, and a gas bill is not accepted.

The right district: Fulton County Schools

If you came from our Atlanta guide, this is the first difference: Alpharetta addresses belong to Fulton County Schools, not Atlanta Public Schools. Put your address into the district's "Find My School" tool to see which school you are zoned to. Schools serving Alpharetta addresses include Alpharetta Elementary, Alpharetta High School, Cambridge High School, Milton High School, Webb Bridge Middle, Haynes Bridge Middle, Hopewell Middle and Northwestern Middle; the address decides which, so do not choose a home by a school name alone. District headquarters is 6201 Powers Ferry Road NW, Atlanta GA 30339, phone 470-254-3600. There is no central registration office for newcomers in Alpharetta; the work goes through the online form and the school.

Step by step

- 1 Find your school.** Put your address into the Fulton County Schools "Find My School" tool.
- 2 Read the enrollment policy.** The district's own order is: read the policy, find the zone for your address, gather the documents, complete the online application, then contact the school.
- 3 Complete the online application.** Registration runs through "Online Registration" in the district's Infinite Campus system, and you upload the documents there. If you have no internet at home, every school has a computer for registration. Registration for 2026-27 is open.
- 4 Call the school.** After you finish the form, call the school with your Online Registration application number for the next steps.

The Fulton County Schools document list

DOCUMENT	DETAIL
☐ Parent ID	The district says the enrolling adult must present "proper identification", but it does not publish a list of acceptable IDs. We could not confirm whether a foreign passport is accepted; ask the school or call 470-254-3600.
☐ Proof of residence (2 documents)	Both current and in the parent or guardian's name. One must be a monthly electric or monthly water statement ; a gas bill is not accepted . The second is one of a mortgage bill, a home sale contract, a current lease, a Section 8 or HUD document, a current HOA bill, or a current-year tax bill.
☐ Social Security number	In the district's own words it is voluntary, and waivers are available for enrollment in most cases; the online form marks the field optional. So you can enroll without an SSN.
☐ Proof of date of birth	The district's order: certified birth certificate or hospital record, military ID, valid driver's license, passport , adoption record, religious record, school transcript, and as a last resort an affidavit of age with a physician's certificate. The child's passport is on that list, which is usually the most practical document for a family arriving from Türkiye. You get up to 30 days to produce it.
☐ Health forms	Georgia Form 3231 for immunization and Form 3300 for the ear, eye, dental and nutrition screening. A religious objection goes on notarized Form 2208.
☐ Prior school records	Report card, withdrawal form or transcripts; grades 7 to 12 also need discipline records.

PROOF OF ADDRESS IS WHERE THIS GOES WRONG

A newly arrived family may have signed the lease but have no bill in its own name yet. The accepted list is narrow: a **monthly electric or monthly water statement**, and a gas bill will not do. In Alpharetta the water account comes from the county and a tenant needs the owner to already hold a county account, so for most families the electric bill is the faster route. Three things to do: open electricity in your own name on move-in day (without an SSN, Georgia Power's PrePay plan works on a photo ID plus proof of address), start registration early enough to wait for a first bill, and if you have to go before the bill arrives, call the school, ask which alternative they accept and get the answer in writing.

Provisional enrollment: a 30-day clock

If the documents are delayed, the district enrolls the child provisionally for **30 calendar days**. A warning letter goes out by day 20, and if the two proofs of residence are still missing on day 30 the student is withdrawn. For a newly arrived family that is a real risk: if you have not put the electric or water account in your own name, you do not have one of the required bills.

Age rules

- For general education the child must turn 5 by September 1 and not yet be 20.

- Children moving to Georgia from another country with the right previous school years can enter kindergarten or grade 1, turning 5 or 6 by December 31.
- Because the school year starts differently in Türkiye, discuss grade placement at registration and bring English translations of the report cards.

English support (ESOL)

The registration form contains a three-question home language survey. If any answer shows a language other than English, the child is given the W-APT language screener within 7 days of enrollment and placed in ESOL if eligible; in later years the ACCESS for ELLs test is given once a year. The program is open to all English learners who meet the Georgia Department of Education criteria, and the district ESOL coordinator is on 470-254-6827. The 7-day timing comes from the department's own materials and we could not read the page directly, so do not treat it as a firm commitment. We found no information that Turkish forms or Turkish interpreters are provided, so do not assume support in Turkish; if you need it, ask in writing at registration and keep the answer.

Immunization and screening forms

- **Form 3231 (immunization):** required for every student including pre-K. A medical exemption goes on the form itself and lasts a year; a religious exemption goes on notarized **Form 2208**. The Georgia Immunization Registry can recover lost records.
- **Form 3300 (screening):** required when a child first enrolls at any grade level, completed by a physician, an authorized health official or the county health department.
- **Where to get them:** the county health center in Alpharetta gives vaccinations (4700 North Point Parkway). That center is not free; it charges on a sliding scale by income.
- **Statewide rule:** entering 7th grade requires Tdap and a meningococcal dose, and those 16 and over need an MCV4 booster in 11th grade. Schools may allow up to 90 days for these records.

RIGHTS FOR IMMIGRANT FAMILIES

- Under the 1982 decision in Plyler v. Doe, every child living in the United States may attend public school regardless of their own or their family's immigration status.
- We could not find a written guide on Georgia's own education pages, so if an official pushes back you may have no state document to point at. If enrollment is blocked, write to the district office and keep the reply.
- If an SSN is requested, note that it is voluntary and that waivers are available.
- Because the parent ID list is not published, plan to get a Georgia license or state ID before registration if you can.



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