

STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE · HENDERSON

School Enrollment in Henderson: A City Government, But No School District, 2026

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SHORT ANSWER

The surprise here is this: **Henderson has its own city government but no school district of its own.** The district is **county-wide** and Henderson addresses sit inside it. So on this item you get **the same answer** as the other settlements in the county, and which school your child attends is decided **by address, not by the name of the city.** *This is a separate city, so the schools must be separate too* is the easiest mistake in this guide. There are two pieces of good news: the district states on its own enrollment page that it **does not collect or verify immigration status** and cites a state statute; and it has a **separate option for families with no proof of address.** The two items that actually decide the matter are the **immunization record** and **proof of address.** On language, the sentence to build is this: we do not say there is service in Turkish, we say **there is a right to request and its door is identified.**

The four document categories

DOCUMENT	WHAT THE DISTRICT ASKS FOR
Proof of address	One document: a recent utility bill, a current mortgage statement, a rental receipt, a residential lease or a sales contract. Telephone and cable bills are not accepted, and a driver's license does not count as proof of address for this purpose
Parent or guardian ID	A driver's license, picture identification or a passport. Guardians should have proof of guardianship ready
Proof of the child's identity	An original birth certificate, a passport, or a certified birth card issued by a health district. Photocopies are not accepted
Immunizations	Required by state law, with exemption possible for religious belief or a medical condition. The county health district helps with access and the district points to its own immunization events

The exclusion of a driver's license as proof of address hits a newcomer directly. The first document a newly arrived family holds is usually the license; here it does not work. That makes **opening the utility accounts in your own name in week one** a precondition for enrollment as well, and in this city that is **a single telephone call:** water, sewer and refuse sit in one city account. The order is in **our moving checklist.**

On the number question we speak carefully

- The published required-document list contains **no Social Security number**. The identity documents named, a **passport** or birth certificate for the child and a **passport**, license or picture ID for the parent, are all obtainable without one.
- **But that is not the same as a number is not asked for**; it means it is not written on their pages, and we mark the difference.
- **On immigration status the district makes an active statement**: it does not collect and does not verify. **Do not confuse the two**.

THREE PROVISIONS THAT RESCUE A FAMILY WITH INCOMPLETE PAPERS

- **The shared housing option**: families with no lease, mortgage or utility bill in a parent's name can select this option during online registration. For a newcomer household staying in someone else's home, this is the real door.
- **A future-dated agreement**: if all you hold is a future-dated lease or sales contract, the school will register the child on condition that a second proof of address is supplied **within thirty days**.
- **A document support program**: one of the district's programs may help obtain an original birth certificate, and families receiving its services get **extra time** for immunizations and proof of address.
- **Do not delay enrollment because you have no proof of address**. Call the district and ask for the shared housing option **by name**.

Age, grade and a child arriving from abroad

- Kindergarten requires turning five **by 1 August**; first grade requires six and completed kindergarten, and **completion cannot be met by an online or homeschool program**.
- A child transferring from another state may be enrolled in **the grade they were attending or would have been attending**, provided they meet that state's age requirements and can produce **a report card, transcript or formal grade promotion letter**.
- **An honest gap**: that sentence is written about other *states*. **We could not find the district's published rule for a child arriving from another country**. For a family from Türkiye this is a real question; ask the school or the district **in writing** before enrollment and keep the answer.

THE ONLY REAL LIMIT IS IMMUNIZATION, AND ENROLLMENT IS NOT ATTENDANCE

- **Enrollment happens either way, but attendance is blocked without an immunization record or an exemption**. That distinction is the most useful sentence in this guide: you can enroll the child and close the immunization gap in parallel.
- **Bring the immunization booklet with you from Türkiye** and if possible have it translated into English before you travel.
- **Register with a physician here**. A missing shot is not a bar to enrollment but can be a bar to attendance, and the way to remove it runs through an appointment.

Language: three separate lists and we do not average them

WHAT IS COUNTED	HOW MANY LANGUAGES
The online registration system itself	Two , English and Spanish
The intake tool that identifies a family's home language	Forty-nine
The district's flagship document	Eight

TURKISH WAS FOUND ON NONE OF THE LANGUAGE LISTS, AND WE WRITE THAT PLAINLY

- **Turkish appears on none of the three lists.** We are not hiding that, and it is not *there is no Turkish*; it is **we could not find it**.
- **But the right does not depend on the language:** state law recognizes a parent's right to a **qualified interpreter in their own native language** for significant interactions with the district, and requires the district to provide information in a language and form the parent can understand.
- **The office to ask is identified:** the district's English language learner unit.
- **The sentence to build:** we do not say there is service in Turkish; we say **there is a right to request and this is its door**.
- **Make the interpreter request in writing when you book, not verbally at the counter**, record the date, and repeat it for the next parent meeting.

The practical consequence: **write Turkish on the home language survey** during registration, because that survey is the record that puts your child into language support. **Leaving Turkish off it deprives your child of that support.** The statewide provisions are in [the school section of our Nevada guide](#).

- 1 **A utility bill or a lease first**, because a driver's license does not count as proof of address.
- 2 **Find your zoned school through the district's own lookup**, not from the city name on your envelope.
- 3 **Have the original of the child's identity document ready.** A passport is one of the three options named on the page; photocopies are not accepted.
- 4 **Take the immunization booklet** and register with a physician.
- 5 **If you have no proof of address, do not delay**; ask for the district's shared housing option by name.
- 6 **If you are arriving from abroad, ask about grade placement in writing**, because the district's published rule is written about other states.
- 7 **Write Turkish on the home language survey and make the interpreter request in writing when you book.** The right does not depend on the language, but it does not arrive by itself.



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