## **EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES**

## WHAT IMMIGRANTS SHOULD KNOW

# **LEGAL, MEDICAL & SOCIAL SERVICES**

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**Broward County Public Schools** 

www.browardschools.com 754-321-0000

**Registration Requirements** 

www.browardschools.com/Page/36242

Bilingual/ESOL Department

Translation & Interpretation Services; English Language Learners; Immigrant Students; International Welcome Center/Bilingual Parent Outreach Office 754-321-2590 www.browardschools.com/bilingual-esol

English, Spanish, Haitian Creole, Portuguese

Exceptional Student Education 754-321-3400

www.browardschools.com/Page/34158

School Counseling 754-321-1675

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**Student Services Department** 

Family Counseling; School Social Work Services; Homeless Education Assistance Resource Team; Foster Care; Child Abuse & Neglect; Mentoring Tomorrow's Leaders. Need Help? Start here: 754-321-1550 browardstudentservices.com

Family Counseling 754-321-1590 School Social Work Services 754-321-1618

Career, Technical, Adult, and Community Education 754-321-8400 www.browardschools.com/Page/31944

**Broward Community Schools** 754-321-7600 www.browardcommunityschools.com

There are many misconceptions about immigrants. Unfounded statements, especially when they are shared between students and within families can have very negative and hurtful results. A reliable source of information is Teaching Tolerance, where you can find the Ten Myths About Immigration. Here you can find a few of the most frequently heard misconceptions—along with information to help separate fact from fear.

https://www.learningforjustice.org/magazine/spring-2011/ten-myths-about-immigration

The immigrant community is currently dealing with a very high level of stress and anxiety due to living in fear and constantly dealing with racism, bigotry, uncertainty, threats and psychological maltreatment. One of the best ways to deal with anxiety is to be prepared.

- 1. Make a childcare plan that includes preparing documents, deciding who will care for children, emergency contacts, etc.
- 2. Find out about your immigration options; find a licensed immigration attorney.
- 3. Know your rights. <u>immigrantfamily.org</u> or <u>www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/stopped-by-police</u> or <u>www.ilrc.org/redcards</u>.
- 4. Seek mental health services. Counselors can provide a space for youth and families to vent their frustrations, fears, mistrust and sadness.

#### 211 Broward

First Call for Help Helpline 2-1-1 or 954-537-0211 www.211-broward.org

**Boys & Girls Club** 

954-537-1010 <u>www.bgcbc.org</u>

Broward Community & Health Centers 954-266-2999 www.bcfhc.org

Broward Regional Health Planning Council Affordable Care Act (ACA) Navigator Services

954-561-9681 Ext. 1226 www.brhpc.org

Catholic Charities Legal Services 954-306-9537 www.cclsmiami.org

Center for Independent Living of Broward 954-722-6400 www.cilbroward.org

**Church World Services** 

954-617-9219 www.cwsglobal.org

Community Access Center 954-534-9113 www.cacfl.org

Cora E. Branyon Family Health Center 954-759-6600

http://www.browardhealth.org/locations/cora-e-braynon-family-health-center

Department of Children & Families/ACCESS Department

954-375-3338

www.myflorida.com/accessflorida

Department of Health Refugee Health Program 954-467-4700 Ext. 4550

broward.floridahealth.gov/programs-andservices/clinical-and-nutritionservices/refugee-health/index.html Florida KidCare, Department of Health

954-467-8737

www.floridakidcare.org/eligibility/?lang=EN#n on-citizens

Florida Immigrant Coalition, FLIC 305-571-7254 www.floridaimmigrant.org

**Gulf Coast Jewish Family & Community Services** 

954-703-3570

www.gulfcoastjewishfamilyandcommunityser vices.org

HANDY 954-522-2911 handyinc.org

Hispanic Unity of Florida 954-342-0296, 954-964-8884 Ext 203 or 216 www.hispanicunity.org

Harmony Development Center 954-766-4483

www.harmonydc1.org/

Henderson Behavioral Health 954-486-4005 www.hendersonbh.org

Kids In Distress, Inc. 954-390-7654 www.kidinc.org

**Legal Aid Services of Broward County** 954-765-8950 <a href="https://www.browardlegalaid.org">www.browardlegalaid.org</a>

**Light of World Clinic** 

954-563-9876 www.lightoftheworldclinic.com

SEIU Florida 305-623-3000 www.seiufl.org

Youth Co-op, Refugee Service Center

954-961-1542 <u>www.ycoop.org</u>



## HOW TO USE THIS PAMPHLET

Parents: As a parent or guardian, know your child has the right to a free public education and you should not feel intimidated from registering your child for any educational services offered in BCPS. Schools cannot request any information disclosing your immigrant status.

**Students**: In BCPS, we are committed to respecting your rights to an equitable educational experience and to ensure access to resources to support your academic career in a safe environment.

**Teachers**: BCPS provides resources and opportunities through various departments that can be accessed to support immigrant students. Encourage students to experience and embrace the culture of their peers while exploring the concepts of culture, diversity, and immigration.

All BCPS Staff: BCPS has a responsibility to ensure all students, regardless of immigration status, religion or country of origin, safely access a free public K-12 education. Through policies and practices, we have committed to quality education for all.

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Upon graduation, Florida provides various opportunities for all students. BCPS School Counselors and Broward Advisors for Continuing Education (BRACE) are great resources to research scholarships, career pathways and other opportunities, as well as an annual college/career fair. Below are some of the scholarship opportunities available:

**Broward Education Fund** with support from BRACE, raises dollars to provide scholarships to deserving graduating seniors who dream of attending a community college, university or vocational school. <a href="mailto:browardedfoundation.org">browardedfoundation.org</a>

**Naviance Student** provides an array of academic advising, career readiness and distance learning resources for students and parents. browardschools.com/naviance

Florida Students provides sources Student Tutorials and Resources to support learning in language arts, mathematics, science, civics, and U.S. History. <a href="https://www.floridastudents.org/#">www.floridastudents.org/#</a>

Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program established 4 lottery-funded scholarships to reward Florida high school graduates for high academic achievement.

www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/ssfad/bf

**TheDream.US** is a national scholarship fund for DREAMers enrolled in partner colleges for DACA recipients. <a href="https://www.thedream.us">www.thedream.us</a>

**Florida Immigrant Coalition (FLIC)** offers an instate tuition program for undocumented students. <a href="https://www.floridaimmigrant.org">www.floridaimmigrant.org</a> 1-888-600-5767

Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund (MALDEF) offers a Scholarship Resource Guide for students and parents with an extensive list of scholarships, including many not inquiring about immigration status. <a href="https://www.maldef.org">www.maldef.org</a>

### **ABOUT THIS PAMPHLET**

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FOR MORE INFORMATION
<a href="https://www.browardschools.com">www.browardschools.com</a>
<a href="https://www.browardschools.com/bilingual-esol">www.browardschools.com/bilingual-esol</a>

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The purpose of this pamphlet is to provide an overview of the available services for immigrant students.

The School Board of Broward County, FL (SBBC) adopted Resolution No. 17-98 designating the School Board of Broward County, FL as an inclusive, safe, and welcoming district ensuring a protected space and environment for all students regardless of immigration status, religion, or country of origin to learn and thrive.

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