

# **FUSD Elementary Enrollment Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)**

## **1. How can I find out what my home school is?**

Please click on [School Locator](#).

## **2. What grade will my child be enrolled in?**

Initial grade placement of enrolling students by Student Support Services shall be based on chronological age (Board Policy 5111). If you dispute the enrollment, you must consult with the assigned school and request a meeting called an SST after the student has started school. [Chart of Grades for School Year 2017/2018](#)

## **3. What is the process to enroll my child?**

Enrollment is a 3-step process. First, download and complete the enrollment application (in its entirety). Second, make an appointment online using our online appointment system, [Click here](#). Third, arrive on time to your appointment at Student Support Services with the required documents. For detailed information on each step click on the following link, <http://www.fremont.k12.ca.us/Page/25604>.

## **4. Are there walk-in appointments?**

We ONLY offer enrollment walk-in appointments for 2016-2017 school year. All other enrollment services (e.g. Declaration Residency, Caregiver Authorization) require an appointment. You can make an appointment online, please [Click here](#).

## **5. How long will it take to get my child enrolled?**

If you have all the required documents, a typical enrollment appointment should take about 30 minutes.

## **6. What documents are required for enrollment?**

You must provide a minimum 2 proofs of residency (Current mortgage statement/property tax/close of escrow letter or rental agreement with signature pages AND a current utility bill (PG&E, water garbage, cable).

You must provide a proof of birth (e.g. birth certificate, passport).

You must provide proof of current immunizations.

For detailed information, please click on the following link, <http://www.fremont.k12.ca.us/Page/25604>. The information is located at the bottom third of the page under "Step 3".

## **7. What is this "overload" I keep hearing about?**

Overloading occurs when students are assigned to a different school than their home school due to overcrowding at their home school. For detailed information about school waitlists and overloads, please click under [School Waitlists & Overloads](#).

## 8. What does it mean when a school is impacted? What schools are impacted?

A school that is impacted means that the school has reached its capacity for enrollment in a given grade (e.g. school "A" can be impacted in one grade and not impacted in another grade). Schools that are impacted vary from year to year. All Fremont residents (who complete enrollment) are guaranteed enrollment in a Fremont Unified District school. Placement at one's home school is not guaranteed due to overcrowding at some of our elementary schools.

## 9. Why do schools need a Kindergarten lottery?

A lottery is held in the last week of April 2017. Schools with Kindergarten enrollment above their capacity must go to lottery. The lottery is held in Student Support Services. District, school sites, and parent representatives witness the lottery. Students not placed at their home school from the Kindergarten lottery are placed on the home school's waitlist (by continuing to randomly draw names in the same manner as the Kinder lottery draw) and are overloaded. Results will be posted at elementary school sites on Friday May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Impacted elementary schools vary from year to year and grade to grade.

## 10. Do I have a choice on where my child is overloaded to?

No, students are overloaded to schools where space is available.

## 11. I'm interested in an Immersion and/or a Magnet program for my child. What do I do?

In addition to enrollment, you will need to submit an application to the Immersion and/or Magnet program. Applications can be picked up at the Immersion or Magnet school between May 8<sup>th</sup> and May 12<sup>th</sup>. The application must be submitted to Student Support Services by 4:30pm on May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017. For additional information about these programs, please go to the following link, <http://www.fremont.k12.ca.us/Page/18141>.

## 12. How can I learn more about Transitional Kindergarten?

Click [here](#) for information regarding the Transitional Kindergarten program

## 13. What is the difference between an Intra and an Inter-District transfer permit?

An **Intra-District** transfer permit is a transfer permit within Fremont Unified School District from one school to another school. An **Inter-District** transfer permit is a transfer permit from one school district to another school district.

## 14. Immunization Exemptions for Personal or Medical Reasons

**Effective January 1, 2016**, Personal Beliefs Exemptions will no longer be an option for the vaccines that are currently required for entry into school or child care in California. Personal belief exemptions filed at a school or child care facility before January 1, 2016 will remain valid until the student enrolls in the next grade span, typically at TK/kindergarten or 7<sup>th</sup> grade. Grade spans are childcare, TK through 6<sup>th</sup> grade, and 7<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

## 15. What if I have more questions? What can I do?

You can visit our website at <http://www.fremont.k12.ca.us/Page/25604>, email [sss@fremont.k12.ca.us](mailto:sss@fremont.k12.ca.us), call 510-657-2350 or walk-in to 4210 Technology Drive, Room 123. We look forward to serving you further.