Students who are English Learners and migrant students will have equal access to the same educational opportunities as other students within the district.

A student will not be denied enrollment due to the lack of proof of immigration status and the district will not request that information from the parents/legal guardians.

Only the following two documents are required for enrollment:

- Immunization records (the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control will issue a Certificate of Special Exemption providing a 30-day waiver for students to present records or to begin immunizations)
- Birth certificates or proof of age (required for first-time enrollment of children entering kindergarten or first grade)

Additionally, the district will require proof of residency and proof of parent or legal guardianship.

Parents/Legal guardians do not have to present a South Carolina driver’s license or other photo ID for access to the main office in order to enroll their students in school.

English Learners should be placed with students of the same age.

English Learners and migrant students are eligible to participate in all age-appropriate school programs and to receive all available services.

The district will not deny admission to any student on the basis of race, religion, sex, disability, national origin, immigrant status, or English-speaking status.

The district will not deny admission to any student on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, disability, pregnancy (including childbirth and other related medial conditions), age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity status, spousal affiliation, or any other protected characteristic as may be required by law. Additionally, the district will not deny admission to any student on the basis of immigration status or English-speaking status.

Parents/Legal guardians may contact the South Carolina Department of Education to file a complaint if they believe their students have been denied enrollment due to their English-speaking or immigration status.

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Legal References:

A. Federal Law:
   2. Title IV of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C.A. Section 2000c, et seq. - Prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin, among other factors, by public elementary and secondary schools.
   3. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C.A. Section 2000d - No person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.

B. S. C. Code, 1976, as amended:
   1. Section 59-63-40 - Discrimination on account of race, creed, color, or national origin prohibited.

C. Federal Cases:

D. S. C. Regulations:
   1. 61-8 - Immunization Requirements for School and Childcare Attendance.