



Information on school attendance

Compulsory schooling

In Germany, all children and young people between the ages of 6 and 18 are required to attend school. This also applies to the children of refugees and asylum seekers.

As a result of your assignment to and registration in Düsseldorf, you, the parents or legal guardians, are obliged to enrol your child at a school immediately.

Advice and placement through the local Department for Integration and Education (Kommunalstelle für Integration und Bildung, KIB)

The local Department for Integration and Education can advise you on choosing a suitable school for your child. All types of school in Düsseldorf provide initial support for children and young people who have little or no knowledge of the German language. In the course of consultation, an appropriate school is selected in agreement with the responsible education authority, taking into account the child's school career to date.

Please arrange an appointment for consultation with the KIB by telephoning 0211 - 89-2 40 63 and bring your child and the following documents with you to the appointment:

- Proof of identity, such as your child's identity card or passport
- Registration certificate from the local registration office (Amt für Einwohnerwesen/Bürgerbüro)
- Your child's school reports, if available.

Contact: Office for Social Affairs and Integration
(*Amt für soziale Sicherung und Integration*)
Department for Integration and Education (KIB)
(*Kommunalstelle für Integration und Bildung (KIB)*)
Bertha-von-Suttner-Platz 3, 40227 Düsseldorf
8th floor, Room 8.01.
Telephone 0211 - 89-2 40 63

Full-day care

Depending on the school, it is possible to enrol your child for full-day care. This means your child would be taken care of at school after normal lessons have ended. Care includes provision of a warm meal at lunchtime, supervision by qualified staff, and support with learning. A variety of sports and leisure activities plus special supportive measures are also on offer. The resulting close contact with other children also helps with learning the language. Other opportunities are offered in the holidays. You will receive further information when you enrol your child at school.

Further information

The website www.duesseldorf.de/schulen has a list of all Düsseldorf schools and where they are located. It also provides information about compulsory schooling.