



Was your family displaced by Hurricane Harvey? Does your child participate in a Bilingual Education or ESL Program?

What you can do

1. Enroll your child in school now, even if you plan to return to your home district soon. **Your child's** new school can begin services right away.
2. Compile any information you might have about your child's previous bilingual or ESL program.

You may not have a physical copy of any records regarding bilingual or ESL programming or TELPAS confidential student report from your old school with you, and it may take time for your old school to provide this information to your new school. That's OK. For now, just describe the services that were provided to your child by your old school with as much detail as you can. See below for the kinds of information you will likely be asked to provide.

3. Put your requests in writing.

It's always best to put your needs in writing because, though your child and their educational needs are very important, school officials have many demands on them, especially in times of crisis like a natural disaster. To make it easier, we have attached a form letter for you to use if you like.

4. For more information...

Upon enrollment, if you have lingering questions, your district or campus has people to assist you.

- The local McKinney Vento liaison may help you with your housing arrangements during this displacement; and/or
- An interpreter can be provided to assist in explaining any paperwork needed for enrolling your child(ren); and/or
- A bilingual/ESL director or coordinator, or campus LPAC designee to help you with any questions or concerns

Information helpful to your school if you cannot find any records regarding bilingual or ESL programming or TELPAS Confidential Student Report

Current Information:

Student's First Name:	Grade:
Student's Last Name:	Age:
Parent/Guardian Name:	
Contact Phone Number:	

Previous School District Information:

School District's Name:	
Campus Name:	

Program Questions:

Did your child receive bilingual or ESL services at their previous school?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
If YES , which program did they participate in?		
<input type="checkbox"/> Bilingual Education Program	<input type="checkbox"/> ESL Program	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't Remember

Please list any supplementary aids/services, accommodations, or modifications your child may have received.

Did your child receive any related services like special transportation?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Additional information you may need to know about my child (medications, behavior plans, etc.).	
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Form letter example for families of ELLs who were displaced by Hurricane Harvey

Date: _____

Dear (*name of principal*): _____

My family was displaced by Hurricane Harvey, and we have relocated to your school district. My child, _____, is _____ years old and in the _____ grade.

At (*name of your former school*) _____, our school of origin, my child received the following services and supports:

(Provide a list of as much information as possible from the page above.)

These educational services and supports were provided in the following placement:

(Provide a list with as much information as possible from the page above.)

I can be reached by email at _____ and/or by phone at _____.

I look forward to hearing from you so we can facilitate my child's successful entry into your school.

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

Your name _____

Your phone number _____

Your email address _____