



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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For Families:

What is the Home Language Survey?

As part of the enrollment process in DC public and public charter schools, all parents and guardians must complete the Home Language Survey on the next page.

Schools use the Home Language Survey to determine if your child is eligible to take an English language proficiency screener (a short test). The screener helps your school determine if your child qualifies to participate in the school's English language instructional program. Federal law requires schools to offer qualifying students an English language instructional program so they can develop proficiency in the English language and be successful in their classes. **All DC residents, of all backgrounds, are welcome in public schools in the District of Columbia.**

The Home Language Survey is **not** used for immigration purposes.

The Home Language Survey is **not** used to determine:

- your immigration status;
- your residency status; or
- if your child is an English learner.

Please let your school know if you need assistance completing the Home Language Survey, and please be sure to sign and date the bottom.