

Immigrant Education in Kentucky

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Three Requested Elements

- The estimated number of undocumented immigrants that attend or are enrolled in public elementary and secondary schools and postsecondary education institutions in Kentucky
- Any estimates or projections of the number of undocumented immigrants anticipated to attend or enroll in secondary and postsecondary education institutions over the next five (5) years
- The estimated cost to the state in providing public education services to undocumented immigrants, and the projected costs in the next five (5) years



Plyler v. Doe, 457 U.S. 202 (1987)

- Due to Plyler v. Doe, the KDE does not have counts of undocumented immigrants being served by Kentucky's public school system.
- The US Department of Education offers the following guidance:

Inquiring into students' citizenship or immigration status, or that of their parents or guardians would not be relevant to establishing residency within the district. A district should review the list of documents that can be used to establish residency and ensure that any required documents would not unlawfully bar or discourage a student who is undocumented or whose parents are undocumented from enrolling in or attending school.



Student Counts

Year	Count Immigrant	Count English Learners
2020-2021	6,842	34,086
2021-2022	7,951	38,852
2022-2023	9,581	44,309
2023-2024*	14,256*	51,159*
Projected ⁺	16,086 ⁺	56,544+

^{*}Not final until June 30, 2024



⁺Calculated using the AAA version of the Exponential Smoothing (ETS) algorithm

Federal Allocations

Year	Total Title III Allocation	Immigrant Set-aside
2020-21	\$4,449,412	\$133,482
2021-22	\$4,589,063	\$137,672
2022-23	\$4,915,572	\$147,671
2023-24	\$5,544,924	\$166,348
2024-25*	\$5,538,510*	\$276,925*

^{*}Tentative, pending final federal allocations





Thank You