



ACCESS TO EDUCATION

in the Republic of Moldova

THE RIGHT TO EDUCATION

Foreigners with residence permit have access to the education system in the Moldova on the same terms as the country's citizens.

The state guarantees every child the right to adequate physical, intellectual, spiritual and social development. Every child has the right to free education in the Romanian language at primary and general education levels and has the opportunity to continue their education at vocational schools, secondary schools, colleges or higher education institutions, in accordance with the law.

Access to education is guaranteed, regardless of nationality, gender, race, age, religion, social background, economic status, political affiliation or the existence or absence of a criminal record.

THE EDUCATION SYSTEM

The education system is organised into several levels:

- pre-school education;
- primary education;
- lower secondary education;
- upper secondary education;
- vocational and technical education;
- higher education;
- doctoral studies;

PRE-SCHOOL (EARLY) EDUCATION

- nurseries;
- nursery schools;
- other public or private pre-school institutions.

Early childhood education is the first stage of the educational process and supports the physical, emotional and cognitive development of the child.

PRIMARY EDUCATION

- Primary education is compulsory;
- it runs from school year 1 to school year 4;
- the programme is usually full-time.

The main aim is to develop reading and communication skills, foster critical thinking and build basic competencies.

SECONDARY AND UPPER SECONDARY EDUCATION

Lower Secondary:

- School years 5 to 9;
- compulsory;
- contributes to the development of pupils' intellectual abilities and aptitudes;
- provides the foundations for further study in upper secondary school or in technical and vocational education.

Upper secondary school:

- School years 10 to 12;

- prepares pupils for higher education or the labour market.

HIGHER EDUCATION:

- undergraduate studies (cycle I);
- Master's degree programmes (cycle II).

These studies are not compulsory, but they are important for professional development, obtaining a qualification in specialised fields or finding employment in skilled sectors.

HOW DO YOU ENROL YOUR CHILD IN NURSERY OR SCHOOL?

To enrol a child in an educational institution, parents or legal guardians may:

- contact the chosen educational institution directly;
- or contact the local education authorities, depending on their place of residence.

In Chişinău, the responsible body is the city's General Directorate for Education, Youth and Sport.

See the contact details below.

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

- an application addressed to the educational institution;
- birth certificate (original and copy);
- parents' identity documents (original and copy);
- proof of address (original and copy);
- medical certificate issued in the Republic of Moldova;
- school report (grades for previous years of study) or documents relating to previous studies.

If certain documents cannot be provided:

- parents/legal guardians may submit a sworn statement that they will provide them at a later date.

If there are no documents regarding previous education:

- a committee from the educational institution will assess the child's educational level;
- the child will be placed in the appropriate class.

WHERE CAN YOU OBTAIN INFORMATION?

Ministry of Education and Research

www.mec.gov.md

General Directorate for Education, Youth and Sport, Chişinău.

Address: 99 Mitropolit Dosoftei Street, MD-2008.

Telephone: 022 201 601.

Website: www.chisinauedu.md.

Email: dgetsmun@gmail.com

CONTACTS:

GENERAL INSPECTORATE FOR MIGRATION,

Chişinău, 124 Ştefan cel Mare şi Sfânt Boulevard;

site: igm.gov.md;

email: migratie@mai.gov.md;

Bălţi: 9 Moscovei Street, +373 231 61996, +373 672 44 277;

Chişinău: 41 Lev Tolstoi Street, +373 671 99 155;

Cahul: 79 Ioan Vodă cel Cumplit Street, +373 671 77 977.

Contact details for local education authorities:

1. General Directorate for Education, Culture and Tourism, Anenii Noi, 026522162, dgitsaneniinoi@gmail.com

2. General Education Department Basarabeasca, 029722748, dgibasarabeasca@gmail.com

3. Directorate for Education, Youth and Sport, Balti, 023122307, dits.balti@gmail.com

4. Briceni Department of Education, Youth and Sport, 024722668, dgritsbriceni@mail.ru

5. Cahul General Directorate of Education, 029920748, dgitsch@gmail.com

6. Cantemir General Directorate of Education, 027322777, di.cantemir@gmail.com

7. Calarasi Directorate for Education, Youth and Sport, 024420717, calarasidgits@gmail.com

8. Department of Education, Culture, Youth, Sport and Tourism, Causeni, 024322533, dgitscauseni@gmail.com

9. Department of General Education, Cimislia, 024122748, dgitscimislia@gmail.com

10. General Directorate for Education, Youth and Sport, Chisinau, 022201601, dgetsmun@gmail.com
11. Criuleni Education Department, 024822404, decriuleni@gmail.com
12. Donduseni Education Department, 025122748, dectdonduseni@gmail.com
13. Drochia Education Department, 025222748, dgitsdrochia@gmail.com
14. Dubasari General Education Department, 024844737, ditsdubasari@gmail.com
15. Education Department of the Edinet District Council, 024622897, dgritsed.md@gmail.com
16. Falesti General Directorate of Education and Culture, 025923136, dgritsfl@gmail.com
17. General Directorate of Education, Floresti, 025022602, dgitsfloresti@mail.ru
18. Glodeni Directorate for Education, Youth and Sport, 024922748, dirglodeni@gmail.com
19. Hincesti Department of Education, 026923835, directiainvataminthincesti@gmail.com
20. Ialoveni General Directorate of Education, 026822198, educatie@il.md
21. Leova District Council Education Department, 026324183, 026323105, dgrilv@mail.ru
22. Department of Education, Youth and Sport, Nisporeni, 026423078, directianisp@gmail.com

23. Department of Education of the Ocnita District Council, 027122975, diocnita@mail.ru
24. Orhei General Directorate of Education, 023522612, dgorhei@gmail.com
25. Department of Education, Youth and Sport, Rezina, 025424369, invatamintrz@gmail.com
26. Riscani Department of Education, Youth and Sport, 025624453, 025624535, itiriscani@gmail.com
27. Singerei Education Department, 026226932, desingerei@gmail.com
28. Soroca Education Department, 0230 2566, edu.soroca@gmail.com
29. Straseni General Directorate of Education, 023722748, 023722170, dgecstraseni@gmail.com
30. Soldanesti Education Department, 0272 5494, disoldanesti@gmail.com
31. Stefan Voda General Directorate of Education, 024224398, dgits.sv@gmail.com
32. Taraclia Department of Education, Culture and Tourism, 029424748, ruotar@gmail.com
33. General Directorate of Education, Telenesti, 025823059, dr_telenesti@mail.ru
34. Ungheni Education Department, 023622748, 023622827, deungheni@gmail.com

35. General Directorate of Education,
Gagauzia, 029822748,
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