

# TEMPORARY RESIDENTS PROGRAM

## Fact sheet: Academic year placement

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This fact sheet contains information about the academic year placement for students in NSW government schools.

### Introduction

Education is mandatory in NSW for children between the age of 6 and the minimum school leaving age. The minimum school leaving age is the age at which the child completes Year 10 of secondary education, or the age of 17 years, whichever first occurs.

### Academic year placement decisions

- The Temporary Residents Program does not assess or rule on the academic year for your child.
- The school principal or authorised staff member will determine the academic year for your child.
- Schools may assess year placement based on your child's age and previous education.
- Schools may assess your child at the meeting/interview stage of the application process.
- Table 1 is a general guide to the academic year your child may be enrolled based on age.
- If you have a dispute about the academic year placement, discuss this with the school principal.

**Table 1**

Child age on 31 July 2024	Estimated year placement in 2024	School type
4	No enrolment	No enrolment
5	Kindergarten	Primary school
6	1	
7	2	
8	3	
9	4	
10	5	
11	6	
12	7	Secondary school
13	8	
14	9	
15	10	
16	11	
17	12	No enrolment *
18	No enrolment *	

\* Schools are primarily established to provide education for children and young people. The education and training of an adult is primarily delivered by non-school provision including TAFE and adult and community education. Students over 18 should discuss their proposed enrolment with the school principal.

### Need more information

To find out more about the Temporary Residents Program, please visit [deinternational.nsw.edu.au/trp](http://deinternational.nsw.edu.au/trp) or call our Customer Service Team on 1300 300 229 (then option 1). To find out more about going to a NSW government school, please visit [education.nsw.gov.au/public=schools/going-to-a-public-school](http://education.nsw.gov.au/public=schools/going-to-a-public-school).