



Our Promise

At KIPP LA Schools we are committed to providing a safe, supportive place for ALL our students. KIPP LA's Board of Directors passed a resolution on December 1, 2016 declaring **our schools as safe school zones**. KIPP LA Schools has resolved to publicly show our support for all of our students regardless of status. The resolution confirms the following:

- Affirms the authority of KIPP LA staff to continue to protect the status and identities of our students, families and team.
- Declares our schools as safe places and sources of information.
- Directs us to put a process in place in the event that Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) shows up at a school.
- Encourages us to be more active in providing support, information and resources.
- Directs the creation of a plan to address the above.

One of the steps laid out in the resolution is to provide information and resources to our students and families. In keeping with this promise, we have compiled information for families that may be affected by the proposed immigration policies. **We encourage you to read this as a family and invite you to discuss this information with a KIPP LA Schools team member.**

KIPP LA Schools cannot provide you with legal advice; we can point you in the direction of legal and advocacy resources that can provide these services.

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All children in the United States have a right to a free public education, regardless of race, ethnic background, religion, sex, or citizen status.

Plyler v. Doe, 1982

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OUR SCHOOLS

Elementary Schools:

KIPP Empower Academy
323-750-2279

KIPP Ignite Academy
323-486-6402

KIPP Iluminar Academy
323-800-5218

KIPP Promesa Prep
323-486-6400

KIPP Raíces Academy
323-780-3900

KIPP Vida Prep
323-406-8007

Middle Schools:

KIPP Academy of Innovation
323-406-8000

KIPP Academy of Opportunity
323-778-0125

KIPP Los Angeles College Prep
323-264-7737

KIPP Philosophers Academy
323-584-6664

KIPP Scholar Academy
323-292-2272

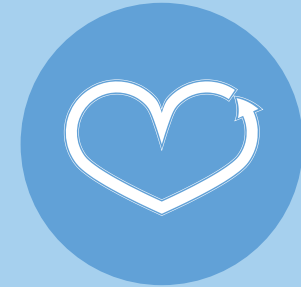
KIPP Sol Academy
323-800-5220

K-8 School:

KIPP Comienza Community Prep Lower School
323-589-1450, (Grades: K-4)

Upper School
323-886-2355, (Grade: 5)

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FAMILY



PREPAREDNESS

Immigration Rights & Advocacy



Make a Family Plan

Safety begins with prevention. Developing a Family Plan can keep your family safe and prepared if ICE comes to your home.

- Create a list of emergency contacts** for your family and share with your child's school.
- Have a child care plan ready.** If you are detained, have a Caregiver Authorization Affidavit in place. This form allows a non-parent relative to enroll a child in public school, make school-related medical decisions, and make other important decisions on the minor's behalf. This form must be updated annually. Update the school with this person's name and contact information.
- Keep a file of all important documents in a safe place.** *Passports from your country of origin, your children's passport, birth certificates, Registry of birth (for U.S. born children registered in parent's home country), Social Security cards, immigration cards, Drivers License or other Identification Cards, Marriage License, Caregiver's Affidavit, etc.*
- Carry a copy of your immigration papers.** The law requires non-citizens who are 18 or older and who have been issued valid U.S. immigration documents to carry those documents with them at all times.
- Assign Power of Attorney** to a trusted friend or family member that can look after your property and accounts if you are detained.
- Find an immigration attorney** that you trust and carry their contact information with you.
- Educate your children and family** on their rights if they are approached by ICE. (*see insert*)
- Contact the Consulate for your country of origin** with specific questions and additional assistance. <http://embassy.goabroad.com/>



Find Your Advocates

You have rights and access to legal assistance, regardless of your immigration status. Part of your Family Plan should include legal representation and immigration advocacy information. Contact these groups and keep their phone numbers on you at all times.

Immigrant Rights Groups

Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of Los Angeles (CHIRLA)

2533 W. 3rd St. #101, Los Angeles, CA 90057
tel: 213-353-1333, www.chirla.org

Central American Resource Center (CARECEN)

Address: 2845 W. 7th St. Los Angeles, CA 90005
tel: 213-385-7800, www.carecen-la.org

Esperanza Immigrant Rights Project

1530 James M Wood Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90015
tel: 213-251-3505, www.esperanza-la.org

Legal and Civil Liberties Groups

ACLU of Southern California

1313 W. Eighth St. Los Angeles, CA 90017
tel: 213-977-9500, www.aclusocal.org

Immigration Center of Women and Children

634 S. Spring St. #702, Los Angeles, CA 90014
tel: 213-614-1165, www.icwclaw.org

Pro Bono Immigrant Legal Services

www.justice.gov/eoir/file/ProBonoCA/download

National Immigration Law Center

www.nilc.org

Hermandad

1-888-412-2466, www.hermandad.com

Los Angeles Unified School District Support Center

1339 Angelina St. Los Angeles, CA 90026
tel: 213-482-3954 or HOTLINE: 866-742-2273



Avoid Immigration Assistance Fraud

Protect yourself from anyone that is NOT qualified to handle immigration cases. Your legal representation is your strongest defense against deportation.

- In California, only 3 kinds of providers can help you with your immigration case: Lawyers, Non-profit agencies with Accredited Reps, and Bonded Immigration Consultants.
- Do NOT use anyone advertised as a notario público. In the U.S., notarios are not lawyers and cannot give legal help.
- Require the following information from the provider: *Credentials or proof the consultant paid their bond, a contract with the services you will get and how much you will pay, copies of your contract and all papers filed for your case, and payment receipts signed and dated by the provider in your preferred language.*
- Keep originals in a safe place at home, and bring copies of any requested documents to your legal counsel.
- Find qualified legal services and providers before you need them. Make sure you are working with a lawyer that specializes in immigration cases.

Do NOT hire anyone who:

- Refuses to give you a written contract.
- Charges you for blank immigration forms. Get free forms at www.uscis.gov/forms.
- Charges you to "get on a waiting list" or "put your application in line" for immigration reform. There is no list or line.
- Guarantees you a work permit or promises you a good result because of their special contacts at Immigration.
- Asks you to lie on a form or sign a blank document.
- Keeps your original documents or charges you to get them back.

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS CARD

If you are stopped by immigration:

- Hand this orange card to the officer, and remain silent.
- The card explains that you are exercising your right to refuse to answer any questions until you have talked with a lawyer.

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Know Your Rights

If Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) is at your door:

- Do not let ICE into your home without a legal search warrant signed by a judge. An administrative warrant of removal from immigration authorities is not enough.
- If ICE officer does not speak your language, ask for an interpreter.

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If you or a family member are detained, you still have rights and resources to help you.

- You may remain silent while you are detained and you do not need to answer questions except for your name.
- You do NOT have to sign anything and you can wait to sign documents with an attorney. Ask to see an attorney immediately.
- You have the right to a phone call. When you call your family, tell them the name of the location where you are detained and your Alien Registration Number, or "A" number.
- Ask for bond once you're in immigration custody. Ask for bond even if the officers tell you that you are not eligible.
- Ask for an interpreter if you do not speak English.

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Instructions:

Fold wallet insert in thirds where it says "fold here" and save in your wallet. Cut out the orange Know Your Rights card if needed.

TO: Immigration Officer

Please be informed that I am choosing to exercise my right to remain silent and the right to refuse to answer your questions. If I am detained, I request to contact an attorney immediately. I am also exercising my right to refuse to sign anything until I consult with my attorney. Thank you.

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Immigration Court and Detention Info

If someone you know is detained, contact the following organizations:

- ICE Office in Los Angeles 213-830-7911
- Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) hotline number at 240-314-1500 or 24hrs. line at 1-800-898-7180 to get information on your case status
- Online Detainee Locator System:
<https://locator.ice.gov>
- Know the “A Number,” the Alien Registration number of detained individual.

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The best way to protect yourself before you are approached by ICE is to stay informed. Know your rights and the current and proposed laws that may affect you and your family. Use the information in this pamphlet at your own discretion.

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Important Contacts

List phone numbers you may need to use if you or a family member is detained.

Lawyer: _____

Family: _____

Child Caregiver: _____

Consulate: _____

Power of Attorney: _____