

Immigration Enforcement Guidance and Resources from Perry Community Schools

The purpose of this message is to inform all Perry Community School Parents, Staff and Students about the most recent Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). The message will provide guidance in light of recent changes to immigration laws and possible mass deportations under the newly elected Trump Administration. This information reflects the law as it stands currently and is subject to change. Perry Schools will keep track of any changes and keep all of you informed.

The Perry Community School District wishes to express our concern for and continued commitment to the well-being and safety of all our students. We are here to support all children and provide them with a safe, welcoming, and inclusive educational environment. We take seriously our responsibility to protect the privacy and confidentiality of student information, and we are dedicated to fostering a community where all students feel secure and valued.

We want to assure you that while Perry Community Schools will comply with federal immigration laws and state issued guidance related to enforcement actions, Perry Community School personnel will not be used to enforce those laws. The safety and privacy of our students remain our top priority, and we are committed to taking lawful and appropriate steps to uphold these principles. Please note that our policies require parental notification and approval from Administration before any student interviews by law enforcement. Additionally, a lawful warrant is required prior to the arrest of any student.

In addition, under the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) law, we are required to limit access to student records and only disclose them under specific, lawful circumstances. Additionally, the Supreme Court ruling clearly states that no student can be denied access to public education based on their immigration status. As a result, Perry Community School does not collect, store, or have any information about a student's immigration status.

Our commitment to serving all students and families remains unwavering. I want you to know that your children are loved, supported, and valued by our entire school community. We will continue to work together to create an environment where every student can thrive and every student counts.

Resources in Iowa for Immigration Legal Services and Support

Catholic Charities of Archdiocese of Dubuque (Cedar Rapids)

Location: 420 6th SE, Suite 220 Cedar Rapids, IA 52401

Contact: (319) 364-7121,

<https://www.catholiccharitiesdubuque.org/catholic-charities-services/immigration-legal-services/>

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Dubuque (Cedar Rapids)

Location: Sr. Mary Lawrence Community Center, 420 6th St. S.E., Suite 220, Cedar Rapids, IA 52401

Contact: (319) 364-7121, <http://www.CatholicCharitiesDubuque.org>

Diocesan Immigration Program, Diocese of Davenport

Location: 780 West Central Park Ave. Davenport, IA 52804-1901

Contact: (563) 324-1911

<http://www.davenportdiocese.org/socailaction/saimmigrationprogram.htm:garnicak@davenportdiocese.org>

Diversity Service Center of Iowa

Location: 1514 Isett Avenue, Stop 2, Muscatine, IA 52761

Contact: (563) 264-8883,

<https://sites.google.com/site/diversityservicecenterofiowa:dscimuscatine@gmail.com>

Drake Refugee Clinic

Location: 2400 University Ave., Des Moines, IA 50311

Contact: (515) 271-3851,

<http://www.drake.edu/law/clinics-centers/clinic/refugeeclinic/.law-refugee@drake.edu>

Iowa Legal Aid Location:

Location: 666 Walnut St., 25th Floor, Des Moines, IA 50309

Contact: (800) 532-1275, <http://www.iowalegallaid.org>

Iowa Migrant Movement for Justice (Cedar Rapids Office)

Location: 2424 42nd St. NE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52402

Contact: (515) 255-9809, <https://www.iowammj.org/info@iowammj.org>

Iowa Migrant Movement for Justice (Columbus Junction Office)

Location: 517 2nd St., Columbus Junction, IA 52738

Contact: (515) 255-9809, <http://www.iowammj.org/info@iowammj.org>

Iowa Migrant Movement for Justice (Decorah Office)

Location: 302 W. Broadway Street, Decorah, IA 52101

Contact: (515) 255-9809, <http://www.iowammj.org/info@iowammj.org>

Iowa Migrant Movement for Justice (Des Moines Office)

Location: PO Box 41006, Suite 101 Des Moines, IA 50311

Contact: (515) 255-9809, <http://www.iowa.mmj.org/info@iowammj.org>

Iowa Migrant Movement for Justice (Marshalltown Office)

Location: 202 W Main St., Marshalltown IA 50158

Contact: (515) 255-9809, <http://www.iowa.mmj.org/info@iowammj.org>

Iowa Migrant Movement for Justice (Ottumwa Office)

Location: 13133 Angle Road, Ottumwa, IA 52501

Contact: (515) 255-9809, <http://www.iowa.mmj.org;info@iowammj.org>

Iowa Migrant Movement for Justice (Storm Lake Office)

Location: 114E. 3rd, Storm Lake, IA 50588

Contact: (515) 255-9809, <http://www.iowa.mmj.org;info@iowammj.org>

La Luz Hispana, dba La Luz Centro Cultural

Location: 72nd Ave. NE, Hampton, IA 50441

Contact: (641) 812-1090, <https://www.laluzcc.org;info@laluzcc.org>

Mary J. Treglia Community House

Location: 900 Jennings St. Sioux City, IA 51105

(712)258-5137, <http://www.marytreglia.org>; GrontDesk@marytreglia.org

U.S. Committee for Refugees and Immigrant (USCRI)

Location: 1200 University Ave., Suite 205, Des Moines, IA 50314

Contact: 515-344-3367

University of Iowa College of Law- Immigration Clinical Program

Location: 380 Boyd Law Building, Melrose & Byington, Iowa City, IA 52242

Contact: (319) 335-9023, <http://law.uiowa.edu/clinic>; law-legal-clinic@uiowa.edu

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact your building principals, guidance counselors, or me.

With Bluejay Pride,

Clark S. Wicks, Superintendent
Perry Community School