

Message to parents or to the person in charge

Access to Education is a right: school is free, laic and compulsory.
Every child from 6 to 16 is obliged to go to school.
According to the age of the child, different possibilities and actions are possible.

I- Your child is between 3 and 10

You have to go to the town city hall (school services) and apply for an inscription.
Then it will inform you on the next step to do.

Your child is between 3 and 6

He will go to preschool (kindergarten) if there is room. If there is no room available, he'll be put on a waiting list and have the priority for the next September.

Your child is between 6 and 10

He will go to a primary school not far from your home.

For more information, call the **CASNAV** (welcome center for the newly arrived) 0594 27 21 46 on Tuesday and Friday mornings.

II- Your child is between 11 and 16

You should go to the Unique Place (CASNAV of Cayenne) or to any other place on the list in the department.

You will have to make up a file with documents (it must be complete). The child will have to write a test in his mother tongue in reading and Maths.

A letter will be sent to you for the results, indicating his level, and what school he can go to.

III- Your child is more than 16 and has the age of secondary school

You should also go to the Unique Place at the CASNAV or to another place of the list.

You will also constitute a file. The youngster will be tested in reading and Maths but he can go to school only if he has the right level.

In case he doesn't have the right level, he will be sent a negative answer and the file will be transferred to the MGI (General Mission of Insertion) or to another structure.

In all cases if the child does go to school, you must see to it that he goes there on a regular basis:
School is a right but also implies obligations. Between 6 and 16, school is where your child belongs.

Your first right as a parent or as a person in charge is to be sure your child doesn't miss school.