



Enrollment in Primary School

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS/LEGAL GUARDIANS
REGARDING ENROLLMENT IN THE 1ST GRADE OF PRIMARY SCHOOLS IN 2026

Information about enrollment

- The primary school sets the enrolment date between **15 January and 15 February 2026**. The exact date will be published on the school's website.
- It is possible to choose either a catchment primary school or a non-catchment school. A child may apply for admission to several schools.
- A **catchment primary school (spádová škola)** is the school where the child has a preferential right to be admitted based on permanent residence. You can obtain information about school catchment areas at the municipal office or at the district/borough office.
- The application for admission may be submitted via a Data Box (datová schránka), by email with an electronic signature, by post, or in person. If submitting by post, it is recommended to use the so-called blue-strip envelope (obálka s modrým pruhem).
- The legal guardian and the child are **not required** to attend the enrolment in person. If the child participates in person, the legal guardian has the right to accompany them the entire time.
- The results of the enrolment are usually published by the primary school on its website, on a public notice board, or on the official notice board (úřední deska), by posting a list of registration numbers of accepted children. Children who are not accepted receive a **written decision of non-admission**, including a justification.
- In the case of non-admission, it is possible to **file an appeal** through the primary school. You will find the instructions on how to appeal in the non-admission letter.
- If a child is not accepted to the catchment primary school, it is recommended to contact the municipality where the child has permanent residence, as the municipality is **obligated to secure a place for the child in a primary school**.

Recommendations for an easy start in primary school

- Consult with **kindergarten teachers** about how you can support your child during the final year before starting primary school.
- The kindergarten conducts **pedagogical diagnostics**. Ask the kindergarten about your child's school readiness in the context of these diagnostic results.
- If the primary school offers an **adaptation programme** for future first-graders and their parents, take part in it.
- Familiarize yourself with what awaits your child in the 1st grade — read the documents published on the school's website (the School Educational Programme, School Rules, etc.).
- As the beginning of the school year approaches, set a regular wake-up and bedtime schedule, talk about school — what the child can look forward to, what new responsibilities they will have, prepare school supplies together, practice the safe route to and from school, and encourage the child to independently complete small tasks.

