

GIDS OM UW KIND IN TE SCHRIJVEN

GUIDE TO ENROLLING YOUR CHILD

KLEUTER- EN LAGER ONDERWIJS GENT

VOOR KINDEREN GEBOREN IN 2023 OF

KINDEREN DIE VAN SCHOOL WILLEN VERANDEREN

NURSERY AND PRIMARY SCHOOLS IN GHENT

FOR CHILDREN BORN IN 2023 OR

CHILDREN WHO WANT TO CHANGE SCHOOLS

Ontdek de scholen in uw buurt

Discover the schools in your area




Dear parent

Was your child born in 2023? Are you looking for a school for your child?

Doe mee aan een scholenwandeling!

Join a school walk!

Take a group walk along to different schools. We are organising a walk in all neighbourhoods. This way, you will get to know schools in your neighbourhood. We will organise the walk during school hours. You and other parents will receive information and a tour of the schools.

 When?	13 January - 7 February 2025 You will find the dates of all walks in the letter accompanying this brochure. They are also mentioned on the website https://schoolinjebuurt.gent.be .	
 Sign up?	From 19 December 2024 At 9 AM	
	Sign up via the website schoolinjebuurt.gent.be 	or Call Gentinfo 09 210 10 10 Monday to Friday 9 AM – 5 PM

Kunt u niet komen en wilt u meer informatie over scholen?

Are you unable to join us but do you want more information about schools?

Are you unable to take part in the walk? No problem! Our website contains a lot of information about all schools in the area. You can also always contact the schools yourself.

The schools' contact details can be found on pages 4 and 5 and on the school sheets (see website "School in je buurt").



You can see the overview of info sessions per school on kieseenschoolregio.gent.be

You can check the web links under question 1 on p. 10 and also check <https://data-onderwijs.vlaanderen.be/onderwijsaanbod/>.

Wat kan u helpen bij het maken van een schoolkeuze?

What can help you decide on a school?

If you want to know more about choosing a school and applying, follow the online info session.

 When?	9 January 2025 8 PM-9.15 PM 15 January 2025 2 PM-3.15 PM	Online
 How to register?	From 19 December 2024 at 9 AM	https://schoolinjebuurt.gent.be

We will not discuss pedagogical projects or what the different types of method teaching entail.

- Questionnaire 'De Schoolkieswijzer':

<https://www.vlaanderen.be/publicaties/schoolkieswijzer>

Eerst aanmelden dan inschrijven

First sign up, then enrol

Dear parent,

Was your child **born in 2023**?

Do you want your child to **change schools**?

How can you enrol your child in a school of your preference?

➤ **Was your child born in 2023 and does his/her sibling go to that school or do you work at that school?**

- You can enrol your child in that school between 13 and 24 January 2025.

➤ **In all other cases:**

- Apply on <https://meldjeaanbasis.stad.gent> between 25 February (12 noon) and 18 March 2025 (12 noon)
- You will receive an e-mail or letter with the result on 24 April 2025
- Enrol your child in the school between 28 April and 19 May 2025
- If all available places have already been taken, you can visit another school with vacant places from 27 May 2025 (9 AM) onwards.

Why do you apply for schools in Ghent?

When applying online, parents will indicate their schools of preference. In this way, every child gets an equal opportunity to enrol in a school they choose.

When assigning a school to your child, account will be taken of your school of preference as much as possible.

Other benefits of applying online

1. You will get **priority** over parents who don't apply online.
2. You can nominate multiple schools in order of preference.
3. Your child will be ranked in their school of preference, based on your **home to school or work to school distance**.
4. Your chances of getting a place at a school of your preference will increase.

Jean Pierre Verhaeghe,

Chairman LOP Gent Basisonderwijs

LEES DIT ZEKER!

PLEASE READ THIS!

[HTTPS://KIESEENSCHOOLREGIOGENT.BE](https://kieseenschoolregioment.be)

WHICH CHILDREN?

- All children born in 2023, even if they cannot start school until 1 September 2026.
- Children who want to change schools.
- Was your child born in 2023 and does his/her sibling go to that school or do you work at that school? Then enrol your child in that school between 13 and 24 January 2025. The enrolment is then complete.

WHICH SCHOOLS?

All mainstream education schools in Ghent and Merelbeke-Melle.

WHY?

To have a chance of getting a place at the school of your preference.

HOW TO APPLY

Via the website <https://kieseenschoolregioment.be>



Overzicht scholen Gent en Merelbeke - Melle gewoon basisonderwijs

Overview of mainstream primary schools in Ghent and Merelbeke-Melle

Your child can start school from the age of two and a half and remain in the same school until the age of twelve. During their school career your child may have to move to another building nearby, but most schools are located in one place. If you want to know which schools work together, please contact the school.

If you're looking for information about the school, please see page 2.

List of abbreviations

GO: GO! *Onderwijs van de Vlaamse Gemeenschap* (Education organised by the Flemish Community)

SOG: *Stedelijk Onderwijs Gent* (Education organised by the City of Ghent)

OKO: *Overleg Kleine Onderwijsverstrekkers* (Alternative Education)

VO: *Vrij niet-confessioneel onderwijs* (Independent non-confessional education)

KO: *Katholiek Onderwijs* (Education organised by a Catholic organisation)

How do you find the name of the school?

1. Postcode of the school
2. Address of the school

Jenaplanschool De Feniks	Acaciastraat 11	9000	Gent	09 323 56 80	SOG
Sint-Bavo	Apostelhuizen 2	9000	Gent	09 235 22 00	KO
De Panda	August Vermeylenstraat 2	9000	Gent	09 221 61 03	SOG
Freinetschool De Harp	Bagattenstraat 155	9000	Gent	09 323 50 20	SOG
De Muze	Begijnhofdries 42	9000	Gent	09 225 14 55	SOG
Leefschool De Oogappel	Bisdomkaai 1B	9000	Gent	09 233 85 32	GO
Freinetschool De Boomgaard	Bommelstraat 24	9000	Gent	09 323 56 90	SOG
De Boomhut	Boomstraat 77	9000	Gent	09 227 85 15	KO
De Stadspoort	Coupure Rechts 54	9000	Gent	09 323 56 50	SOG
Désiré Van Monckhoven	D. Van Monckhovenstr. 34	9000	Gent	09 222 29 45	SOG
Sint-Paulus De Wonderboom	Ebergiste De Deynstraat 2B	9000	Gent	09 222 11 68	KO
Klimrek Van Beverenplein	Ed. Van Beverenplein 15	9000	Gent	09 226 02 66	KO
Steinerschool De Teunisbloem	Elyzeese Velden 8	9000	Gent	09 234 39 08	OKO
Freinetschool De Tovertuin	Francisco Ferrerlaan 42	9000	Gent	09 323 54 10	SOG
De Dialoog	Frans Van Ryhovelaan 191	9000	Gent	09 323 60 10	SOG
Ter Leie (pre-school + L1)	Gordunakaai 58	9000	Gent	09 323 55 20	SOG
Daltonschool De Lotus	Grensstraat 202	9000	Gent	09 323 52 10	SOG
Freinetschool Het Eiland	Heldenplein 45	9000	Gent	09 323 55 40	SOG
Jenaplanschool Hippo's Hof	H. Lammensstraat 10	9000	Gent	09 323 52 70	SOG
Freinetschool Mandala	Jozef II-straat 28 + 69	9000	Gent	09 323 57 21	SOG
Bollekensschool (pre-school)	Jubileumlaan 215 d	9000	Gent	09 225 74 08	SOG
Daltonschool De Kleine Icarus	K.L. Ledeganckstraat 4	9000	Gent	09 323 52 80	GO
Mozaïek scholen: Blaisantnest*	Kaprijkestraat 12	9000	Gent	09 256 12 56	KO
Methodeschool De Buurt*	Kartuizerlaan 20	9000	Gent	09 225 05 20	OKO
STEM-oriented primary school De Triangel	Baudelohof 2	9000	Gent	09 323 54 80	SOG
Steinerschool Gent-Kasteellaan	Kasteellaan 54	9000	Gent	09 235 28 00	OKO
Sint-Lievenscollege Keizer Karel	Keizer Karelstraat 12	9000	Gent	09 225 05 93	KO
Muzische LeerThuis Melopee	Kompasplein 1	9000	Gent	09 323 56 00	SOG
Freinetschool Het Trappenhuis	Lucas Munichstraat 29	9000	Gent	09 224 05 04	SOG
Freinetschool De Sterre-Spits	Maaltebruggestraat 185	9000	Gent	09 323 54 30	SOG
Sint-Pietersinstituut	Meersstraat 131	9000	Gent	09 221 56 54	KO
Victor Carpentier	Meulesteedsesteenweg 390	9000	Gent	09 251 04 24	SOG
De Klavertjes	Moutstraat 50	9000	Gent	09 323 50 80	SOG
IVG-School Basisafdeling	Nederkouter 112	9000	Gent	09 265 70 60	VO
Bollekensschool (primary school)	Neermeerskaai 2	9000	Gent	09 222 01 10	SOG
Kindcentrum Drakena	Onderstraat 10 + 19	9000	Gent	09 323 54 50	SOG
Sint-Paulus De Wijze Wereld	Otergemsesteenweg 155	9000	Gent	0477 04 61 01	KO
Freinetschool De Loods	Patrijsstraat 12	9000	Gent	09 3235940	SOG
Sint-Paulus De Wonderboom	Rerum Novarumplein 188	9000	Gent	09 221 54 75	KO
Klimrek Brugse Poort	Reinaertstraat 26	9000	Gent	09 227 82 95	KO
Gaspard de Coligny – School met de Bijbel	Rijzenbergstraat 40	9000	Gent	09 222 65 47	OKO
Sint-Barbaracollege	Savaanstraat 98 + 118	9000	Gent	09 235 72 60	KO
Sint-Paulus	Smidsestraat 76	9000	Gent	09 222 21 97	KO
EDUGO Sint-Bernadette	Sint-Bernadettestraat 249	9000	Gent	09 259 21 01	KO
Freinetschool Het Tandwiel	Sint-Bernadettestraat 258		Gent	09 323 51 80	SOG
Mozaïek-scholen: De Mozaïek	Sint-Margrietstraat 33	9000	Gent	09 233 78 64	KO
KLIM (pre-school)	Sint-Pietersaalststraat 82	9000	Gent	09 221 15 11	KO
KLIM (primary school)	Sint-Pietersaalstr. 78A and 86	9000	Gent	09 220 62 79	KO
DOKATA	Sint-Salvatorstraat 14A	9000	Gent	09 223 68 44	KO
De Piramide	Slinke Molenstraat 26	9000	Gent	09 323 54 60	SOG
Freinetschool Het Prisma	Steenakker 4	9000	Gent	09 222 08 22	SOG
Montessorischool Klimop	Theresianenstraat 34	9000	Gent	09 223 75 08	KO
Basisschool Crombeen	Tentoonstellingslaan 4	9000	Gent	09 269 06 43	KO
Nieuwen Bosch	Tweebruggenstraat 34	9000	Gent	09 225 54 85	KO
Sint-Barbaracollege (pre-school)	Verdedigingstraat 2	9000	Gent	09 235 72 60	KO
Basisschool Voskenslaan	Voskenslaan 60	9000	Gent	09 240 00 51	GO

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Mozaïek-scholen: Het Klaverblad	Zalmstraat 2	9000	Gent	0476 78 15 43	KO
Freinetschool De Vlieger	Wasstraat 120 Zwijnaardsesteenweg 250	9000	Gent	09 323 55 80	
Freinetschool De Spiegel		9000	Gent	09 243 80 22	SOG
De Wijze Eik – Casierlaan	A. Casier De Ter Bekenl. 26	9030	Mariakerke	09 216 84 26	GO
Sint-Lieven Kolegem (pre-school)	Eeklostraat 144	9030	Mariakerke	09 226 39 77	KO
Sint-Lieven Kolegem (primary school)	Eeklostraat 7	9030	Mariakerke	09 226 52 73	KO
De Wijze Eik - Eeklostraat	Eeklostraat 121	9030	Mariakerke	09 226 52 80	GO
basisschool 11	Elfnovemberstraat 23	9030	Mariakerke	09 226 76 82	KO
De Brug	Trekweg 1	9030	Mariakerke	09 226 13 96	SOG
Don Bosco Baarle	Kloosterstraat 6c	9031	Drongen	09 282 54 92	KO
Sint-Paulus	Gavergrachtstraat 97	9031	Drongen	09 226 43 12	KO
Mijlpaal	Groenewandeling 80	9031	Drongen	09 226 75 00	GO
Klaverdries	Klaverdries 1	9031	Drongen	09 323 55 90	SOG
De Vuurtoren	Oude-Abdijstraat 11	9031	Drongen	09 226 25 38	KO
De Regenboog	Sint-Sebastiaanstraat 8- 10	9032	Wondelgem	09 253 84 19	SOG
Mariavreugde	Vinkeslagstraat 2	9032	Wondelgem	09 253 87 18	KO
St.-Janscollege BS Oude Bareel	Antwerpsesteenweg 988	9040	St-Amandsberg	09 229 25 07	KO
St.-Janscollege BS Heiveld	Heiveldstraat 127a	9040	St-Amandsberg	09 228 87 65	KO
St.-Janscollege BS Visitatie	Joseph Gérardstraat 16	9040	St-Amandsberg	09 228 52 67	KO
St.-Janscollege BS De Krekel	Krekelberg 1	9040	St-Amandsberg	09 228 58 71	KO
Art and development-oriented school LeerThuis De Toverberg	Schoolstraat 29	9040	St-Amandsberg	09 228 60 71	SOG
De Wijze Boom	Sint-Baafskouterstraat 129	9040	St-Amandsberg	09 218 86 76	GO
Meervoudige Intelligentieschool De Letterdoos	Gentstraat 212	9041	Oostakker	09 255 17 61	SOG
De Vogelzang	Goedlevenstraat 78	9041	Oostakker	09 251 13 32	GO
EDUGO Lourdes (pre-school)	Groenstraat 31	9041	Oostakker	09 259 02 92	KO
EDUGO Meerhout (pre-school)	Meerhoutstraat 51	9041	Oostakker	09 251 22 47	KO
EDUGO Slotendries (primary school)	Onze-Lieve-Vrouwdreef 2	9041	Oostakker	09 259 02 93	KO
EDUGO Sint-Vincentius	Sint-Rafaëlstraat 14	9041	Oostakker	09 259 21 01	KO
Sint-Laurens (pre-school)	Sint-Kruiswinkeldorp 114	9042	St-Kruis-Winkel	09 345 06 70	KO
Sint-Laurens (primary school)	Sint-Kruiswinkeldorp 114	9042	St-Kruis-Winkel	09 345 95 24	KO
Sint-Gregoriuscollege	Alfons Biebuycklaan 24	9050	Gentbrugge	09 230 82 40	KO
Freinetschool 't Groen Drieske (primary school)	Braemkasteelstraat 29- 45	9050	Gentbrugge	09 323 54 01	
Sancta Maria (pre-school + L1 + L2 + L3)	Gentbruggekouter 8	9050	Gentbrugge	09 230 31 03	KO
De Speurneus (pre-school °2023 - °2022)	Guldenmeers 2	9050	Gentbrugge	09 323 57 40	SOG
GO! Basisschool Gentbrugge	Hazenakker 1	9050	Gentbrugge	09 210 51 50	GO
Sint-Gregoriuscollege (pre-school)	Henri Bouckaertstraat 29	9050	Gentbrugge	09 230 82 40	KO
Sancta Maria (L4 + L5 + L6)	Jules Van Biesbroeckstr. 119	9050	Gentbrugge	09 230 31 03	KO
De Sportschool	Jules De Saint- Genoisstr. 93	9050	Gentbrugge	09 323 57 30	SOG
De Speurneus (pre-school °2021- °2020)	Kerkstraat 85	9050	Gentbrugge	09 323 57 40	SOG
De Speurneus (primary school)	Tweekapellenstraat 38	9050	Gentbrugge	09 323 57 40	SOG
Freinetschool 't Groen Drieske (pre-school)	Voordries 31	9050	Gentbrugge	09 323 54 01	SOG
Onze-Lieve-Vrouwcollege	Langestraat 70	9050	Ledeberg	0470 97 97 08	KO
Jenaplanschool De Kleurdoos	Onderwijsstraat 10	9050	Ledeberg	09 231 22 78	SOG
Westerhem	Kerkdreef 9	9051	St-Denijs-Westrem	09 222 33 30	SOG
Sint-Paulus	Oudeheerweg 3	9051	St-Denijs-Westrem	09 221 32 73	KO
Sint-Vincentiuschool	Hutsepotstraat 27	9052	Zwijnaarde	09 222 65 40	KO

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Freinetschool De Boekenmolen	Hutsepotstraat 77	9052	Zwijnaarde	09 222 97 77	SOG
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'The schools in Merelbeke-Melle can be found on www.melle.be/kleuter-en-lageronderwijs and www.merelbeke.be/basisonderwijs.'

Overview map of all schools in Gent: <https://schoolinjebuurt.gent.be>

HULP NODIG?

NEED HELP SIGNING UP? Finding a school? Go to:

The Groeiteam [Growth Team] partners - for all your questions on growing up, parenting and education

GENT CENTRUM

Stadskantoor – groeiteam in zone B

Woodrow Wilsonplein 1, 9000 Gent

- Without appointment: Mo 9 AM-1 PM, Tue 4 PM-7 PM, Wed 11 AM-3 PM
- By appointment: 09 323 59 99 www.stad.gent/groeiteam

RABOT

Inloopteam Wiegwijs

Buurtcentrum Rabot, Jozef II-straat 104, 9000 Gent

- Without appointment: Thu 2 PM – 4.30 PM
- By appointment: 09 217 02 96 0483 61 42 79 inloopteam.gent@wiegwijs.be

BRUGSE POORT

Inloopteam Wiegwijs

Brugse Poort, Bevrijdingslaan 88, 9000 Gent

- Without appointment: Wed 9.30 AM-11.30 AM, Thu 1.30 PM-3.30 PM
- By appointment: 09 217 02 96 0483 61 42 79 inloopteam.gent@wiegwijs.be

NIEUW GENT

Inloopteam Nieuw-Gent i-mens

Rerum Novarumplein 28, 9000 Gent

- By appointment: 09 292 73 78 Inloopteam.nieuwgent@i-mens.be

LEDEBERG

Inloopteam Nieuw Gent i-mens

De Speelberg-Buurthuis Ledeborg, Hundelgemsesteenweg 2A, 9050 Ledeborg

- By appointment: 09 292 73 78 Inloopteam.nieuwgent@i-mens.be

vzw JONG HUBP Ledeborg

Driesstraat 99, 9050 Ledeborg

- Without appointment: Tue 3 PM-5 PM, Wed 1.30 PM-5.30 PM, Sat 10 AM-12.30 PM (every two weeks)
- By appointment: 09 252 16 97

MUIDE- SLUIZEKEN – TOLHUIS - HAM

Inloopteam VZW De SLOEP i-mens

Bevelandstraat 26, 9000 Gent

- Without appointment: Mo 9 AM-12 noon, Thu 1 PM-4 PM
- By appointment: Tue 1 PM-4 PM (on 09 234 38 58)

DAMPOORT

vzw JONG HUBP Dampoort

Wasstraat 118, 9040 Sint-Amandsberg

- Without appointment: Wed 3 PM-6 PM, Sat 2 PM-4 PM (every two weeks)
- By appointment: 0472 19 37 89

Amal vzw

INTEGRATIE EN INBURGERING Gent

Kongostraat 42, 9000 Gent

Book an appointment with: Ludmila Vysotskaya, ☎ 09 265 78 58 (40) ✉

ludmila.vysotskaya@amal.gent

TO SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION

Beside mainstream education there is also special needs education at nursery and primary school levels.

To get an overview of available spaces and the registration procedure go to <https://gent-bao.lokaaloverlegplatform.be>.

For your child to attend a school for special needs education you will need a referral. The CLB's (Pupil Guidance Centres) will help you with this matter.

Special needs education is aimed at children who require specific support due to a mental or physical disability or learning or behavioural problems. We distinguish between different types of special needs education:

- **Basic type (*type basic offer*):** for children with various severe learning disabilities.
- **Type 2:** for children with a mental disability.
- **Type 3:** for Children with normal mental ability who have emotional or behavioural problems.
- **Type 4:** for children with a physical disability.
- **Type 5:** for children who are staying in a hospital, a residential institution or a sanatorium.
- **Type 6:** for children with a visual impairment.
- **Type 7:** for children with a hearing impairment or a speech or language impediment.
- **Type 9:** for abled children with an autism spectrum disorder.

De Sassepoort and Spoor 9	Bevelandstr. 22-24	9000	Gent	09 233 36 58	SOG	3, 9
Ziekenhuisschool stad Gent	Corneel Heymanslaan10 (route 816 – 1K5)	9000	Gent	09 332 24 05	SOG	5
Ziekenhuisschool stad Gent	E. De Deynestraat 2F	9000	Gent	09 332 24 05		5
Ziekenhuisschool stad Gent	Groene Briel 1	9000	Gent	09 332 24 05		5
De Octopus	Drongensesteenw. 146	9000	Gent	09 251 02 75	SOG	basic offer
Styrka Lager Onderwijs	E. de Deynestr. 1	9000	Gent	09 245 57 46	KO	basic offer, 2, 3, 9
Styrka @Wonderboom	E. de Deynestr 2B	9000	Gent		KO	basic offer
Het Kompas	Ijskelderstr. 29	9000	Gent	09 225 44 23	SOG	basic offer
OC Nieuwe Vaart	Jozef Guislainstr. 47	9000	Gent	09 226 70 70		3
Balans - Macarius	K. L. Dierickxstraat 28	9000	Gent	09 269 92 70	KO	basic offer
Balans - Korenbloem	Korenbloemstr. 17	9000	Gent	09 269 92 70	KO	basic offer
De Zonnepoort	St-Lievenspoortstr. 2-8	9000	Gent	09 323 52 20	SOG	2
Sint-Lievenspoort	St-Lievenspoortstr. 129	9000	Gent	09 268 26 50	KO	7, 9
Styrka @Waterkant	Stropkaai 38	9000	Gent	09 245 57 46	KO	2
GO! MPI De Oase	Voskenslaan 362	9000	Gent	09 220 18 30	GO	basic offer, 2, 3, 7, 9
IVIO Rozemarijn	Kloosterstr. 6D	9031	Drongen	09 282 09 34	KO	2
IVIO Salvator Drongen	Kloosterstraat 6D	9031	Drongen	09 282 09 34		9
IVIO Salvator Oostakker	Meerhoutstr. 55	9041	Oostakker	09 255 92 20	KO	basic offer, 9
Sint-Gregorius	Jules Destréelaan 67	9050	Gentbrugge	09 210 01 60	KO	basic offer, 3, 4, 9

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VEELGESTELDE VRAGEN

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1 Where can I find information on the educational networks in Ghent?

<https://www.onderwijskiezer.be/v2/index.php>

Education organised by the City of Ghent: <https://stad.gent/onderwijs-kinderopvang/onderwijs/scholen>

GO! Education organised by the Flemish Community: <http://www.scholengroep.gent>

Catholic Education: <http://www.onderwijsregiogent.be>

Other Education Providers: <https://oko.be>: the “Vrijdenkende Onafhankelijke Onderwijs Partners (Free-thinking Independent Education Partners) (VOOP), the Federatie voor Onafhankelijke Pluralistische Emancipatorische Methodescholen (Federation for Independent Pluralistic Emancipatory Method Schools) (FOPEM), the Federatie Steinerscholen (Federation of Steiner Schools) and the Raad van inrichtende machten van het protestants-christelijk onderwijs (Council of Organising Bodies of Protestant Christian Education) (IPCO)

2 Where can I find information on the Pupil Guidance Centres (CLB’s) in Ghent?

Stedelijk centrum- voor -leerlingenbegeleiding (Municipal Pupil Guidance Centre):

Jubileumlaan 215, 9000 Gent,

09 323 53 00, <https://clb.stad.gent>, clb@stad.gent

Centrum voor leerlingenbegeleiding van het GO! (GO! Pupil Guidance Centre):

Voskenslaan 262, 9000 Gent,

09 243 79 70, <https://www.clbgent.be>, info@clbgent.be

VCLB: Vrij centrum voor leerlingenbegeleiding Regio Gent/basis (VCLB: Independent Pupil Guidance Centre for the Ghent region):

Halvemaanstraat 96, 9040 Sint-Amandsberg

09 277 84 00, <https://www.vclbgent.be>, basis@vclbgent.be

3 When can my toddler start school?

SCHOOL YEAR 2024-2025

Children born up to and including	Can go to pre-school	on
1 March 2023	after the summer holidays 2025	1 September 2025
3 May 2023	after the autumn break	3 November 2025

5 July 2023	after the Christmas holidays	5 January 2026
2 August 2023	on the 1st school day in February	2 February 2026
23 August 2023	after the spring break	23 February 2026
20 October 2023	after the Easter holidays	20 April 2026
18 November 2023	after the Ascension weekend	18 May 2026
31 December 2023	after the summer holidays 2026	1 September 2026

Children under the age of 3 can only start school on one of these days.

4 What should I bring along when I go to enrol my child?

The ISI card, Kids ID or sticker of your health insurance fund.

The school needs an official document with the correct spelling of your child's name and national identification number (*rijksregisternummer*).

5 What happens during my child's enrolment?

1. The school verifies the information about your child.
2. You sign to confirm that you agree with the school rules and educational vision.
3. You receive a proof of enrolment.

6 What happens if a school refuses my child?

1. Your child's name will appear in the enrolment record.
2. You will receive a refusal document and your child gets a rank number.
3. For children born in 2023, the school has to respect this rank number until 30 June 2026. For children born before 2023, the school has to respect this rank number until 7 October 2025.
4. The waiting lists are valid for one school year. You can register again every year.

7 Why do I need to apply for my child?

Schools see their available places filled very quickly. By using an application system, each child gets an equal chance to enrol in a school of its choice as close as possible to where you live, so your child(ren) can get to school on foot.

8 Can I apply to more than one school?

Yes. There is no limit. You should apply to at least 5 schools to increase your chances of finding a free place. The more schools you apply with, the greater the chances of finding a school of your preference. Also choose schools with enough available places and close to home and work.

9. Which school do I put as my number 1?

Put the school of your preference at the top of your list, even if there appear to be few or no places available. Even if there's no room available for your child now, a space may free up. You can then still enrol your child. Even if you have already enrolled your child in another school.

After school 1, put the school that's your second preference, etc.

10 Do people who apply before I do have more chance of getting a place?

No. It does not matter when exactly you submit your application, as long as you do so between 25 February (12 noon) and 18 March 2025 (12 noon). When demand exceeds supply, we only look at the parents' preference, the distances to the school.

11 When can I start creating an application file?

During the application period: 25 February– 18 March 2025 (until 12 noon). To log in, you will need to use itsme or eID. In exceptional circumstances, you can apply by e-mail.

12 How do I know if there is a place available for my child?

When applying you can check the availability of places in every school during the application period. Make sure that you also choose schools with enough available places left for your child's age group.

13 What should I do if I want to make additional changes during the application period (e.g. adding a new school)?

After you log in, you can review or change your information.

14 I don't have a computer. What can I do?

Please contact one of the organisations (see page 8) or one of the schools. They will help you out.

15 How do we rank the children? In which school can your child enrol?

First, we create two groups according to the social mix indicators (see question 16). We then arrange each child twice. We order the children according to the distance 'child's domicile from school'. We then order the same children again according to the shortest of the three distances (see question 19). The children who live closest to the school and/or whose parents work closest to the school are given the free spaces.

We arrange your child for all the schools you have selected. You can enrol your child in the school that is ranked highest on your list of preferred schools and has a free place for your child.

16 How many available places are assigned to children living close to the school?

We apply an 80/20 ratio where the majority of each school's free places are allocated to children living closest to the school

17 How many places are assigned to children whose parents work close to the school?

We apply an 80/20 ratio where the smallest proportion of free places from each school is allocated based on the shortest distance. To determine this allocation, for each child, we

compare the child's domicile's distance to school with the distance between the parent's work and school and take the shortest distance.

18 Which addresses can I mention?

The child's domicile and a maximum of two work addresses. You can determine which work addresses you mention. The computer will calculate the shortest distance. If you take the train to work, you cannot enter the train station address.

If you do not provide a work address, we will only use the "child's domicile from school" to calculate the "shortest distance".

19 We will be moving soon. I'm changing jobs. Which address should I mention?

Please submit your new address during the application. However, you will be asked to present proof of your new address when enrolling your child. You will have to live at the new address or work at the new address in the next school year.

20 If my child attends childcare in a certain school, do I get priority?

No

21 Is it possible my child gets a school that I did not choose?

No. We will only list your child in the schools you have indicated. It is possible that there is no space in for your child in the schools you chose. In that case, your child is put on the waiting list. You can then wait until a place becomes available in those schools. Or you can enrol your child in a school that still has free spaces. That will be possible as from 27 May 2025, 9 AM.

22 What happens if I don't apply for my child?

In that case you can start looking for an available place as from 27 May 2025 (9 AM) onwards, but a lot of schools will already be full. That is why we strongly recommend you to apply!

23 Once I have applied for my child, does that mean my child is enrolled?

No. You still have to enrol your child in the school it was given a place between 28 April and 19 May 2025.

24 Can I receive a Flemish school allowance?

The Flemish Community grants a school allowance to parents with low incomes if the children go to school. Education allowances are integrated in the child benefit system. You will receive the education allowance automatically via your child benefit fund.

For more information: <http://www.groeipakket.be>

Where can I find more information or file a complaint?

Please consult <https://kieseenschoolregiagent.be>,



or contact:

- Gentinfo 09 210 10 10, from Mondays to Fridays between 9 AM and 5 PM
- One of the contact persons on pages 8 and 10
- The school of your preference

CALENDAR

JANUARY 2025

- Christmas holidays: 23 December - 3 January
- 9 January (8 PM) and 15 January (2 PM): information session 'how do I choose a school?' see p.2
- 13-24 January: enrolling siblings of staff °2023 in school

FEBRUARY 2025

- Sign up your child on <https://kieseenschoolregiogent.be> from 25 February (12 noon) until 18 March 2025 (12 noon)

MARCH 2025

- Easter Holiday: 3-7 March
- Sign up your child on <https://kieseenschoolregiogent.be> from 25 February (12 noon) until 18 March 2025 (12 noon)

APRIL 2025

- Easter holiday: 7 - 21 April
- You will get the result of your application on 24 April (from 12 noon).
- Enrol your child in the school from 28 April until 19 May in the school

MAY 2025

- Enrol your child in the school from 28 April until 19 May
- Enrolment if you do not have a school yet: as from 27 May (9 AM) in the school
- Ascension Day weekend: 29 May – 1 June

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