



COVID Education Innovation in Florida

Total Online Registration (Collier County)

Historically, new student registrations have been required to be in-person at Collier County Public Schools offices with a parent or guardian bringing in copies of necessary documents to complete student enrollment. Typically, a large crowd gathers and waits. With school closures last year and necessary avoidance of large crowds, the District Technology Department immediately began development and implementation of a new online registration system to transition processes to a completely online format. This allowed parents and guardians to complete their student registration online and upload any required documents via their computer or mobile device. This new approach and innovation allowed families to enroll for the upcoming school year without having the need to come to any school building in-person. Staff was able to assist with enrollments remotely online or via phone or email while ensuring all District processes and procedures for entrance requirements were maintained.

Moving the student registration process online allowed the District to continue to serve families and students without interruption and ensured that enrollment for the upcoming year was not hindered as a result of school buildings and District offices having to be closed in the early stages of the pandemic.

The District will continue to utilize the online registration system moving forward post-COVID. It has proven to be a much better experience for both parents and staff, streamlining many of the processes and procedures involved in enrollment.

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We believe strong collaboration is essential to ensure school success. Our effort to capture, elevate and share education innovations discovered amid the disruption of the pandemic is offered in that spirit.

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