

## Important information if you need to choose a school for your child for the autumn of 2019

If your child is attending the last year of her or his school, you need to choose a school for the autumn term of 2019. If you are uncertain about your child's status, you can visit [www.goteborg.se/valjaskola](http://www.goteborg.se/valjaskola) to see which pupils and schools are affected by the transitions.

### Does everyone have to choose a school?

When pupils need to transition between schools, the municipality needs to know the custody holder's wishes about school placement. All pupils are entitled to be placed in a school close to home. However, the free school choice system allows you, as custody holder, to choose whatever school you want your child to attend. In the application, you can choose three different municipal schools— in any part of the city. When the compulsory school administration begins its acceptance work, the starting point is the custody holder's wishes. If the number of applicants to a school exceeds the number of places, Gothenburg City's acceptance rules are applied.

If you do not submit any application, your child will be allocated a place at a school within approximately 2 km from home for grades F-3, approximately 4 km for grades 4-6, and approximately 8 km for grades 7-9.

### What do we do to find a school?

You can submit an application between 15 January and 15 February by visiting [www.goteborg.se/valjaskola](http://www.goteborg.se/valjaskola) and "Ansök till årskurs 1 – 9" or "Apply for grades 1-9". You search via the online service or forms. On the website you can see the schools you can choose between and read more about Gothenburg City's acceptance rules. This applies only to applications to the municipal schools. If you want to search independent schools, you should contact the schools directly since they have their own application processes.

### When do we know in which school our child has obtained a place?

During week 13 (at the end of March), the compulsory school administration will distribute all acceptance notices. You will then receive a letter telling you the school in which your child has obtained a place. It is important that you confirm that your child will take up the place or notify the compulsory school administration that the pupil has instead obtained a place in an independent school or in a school in another municipality.

### More information or help with the application

If you have questions or would like help with the application, you can contact the compulsory school administration on 031-365 09 or send an email to [grundskola@grundskola.goteborg.se](mailto:grundskola@grundskola.goteborg.se). You can also contact the citizens advice bureau in your neighbourhood or talk to the child's teacher or principal. More information about choosing a school is available on [www.goteborg.se/valjaskola](http://www.goteborg.se/valjaskola).