

Welcome to the 2019-2020 School Year!

SFLC calendars of monthly activities and events will be available October through June. Multilingual flyers will be distributed two weeks before all SFLC events. Please see below for more information about our core programs and services for Somerville families.

Connect

Learn

Engage

Grow

Prenatal - Early Childhood Services and Supports

- **SomerBaby** is a program to welcome Somerville's youngest residents and connect families to the many resources that Somerville has to offer, strengthening social and community connections and starting babies on a path of lifelong health and learning. **Contact: Flor Apolaya, SomerBaby Home Visitor, 617-625-6600 ext. 6702, fapolaya@k12.somerville.ma.us**
- **SFLC Parent/Guardian Support Groups** welcome all Somerville families. The drop-in **New Parents Group** meets weekly for parents who are expecting and who have babies from birth-12 months old. **Wondering Together 1**, for parents with 1 year olds is a registered weekly group. **Sharing Our Stories** is a monthly drop-in support group for families with young children with special needs. **Facilitator: Amy Bamforth, LICSW, Early Childhood Specialist**
Contact: 617-625-6600 ext. 6990 or sfn@k12.somerville.ma.us
- **ParentChild +** is a school readiness and family support program for parents with children between 18 months and 4 years old. Multilingual Early Literacy Home Visitors work with families and focus on developing language, literacy and school readiness skills. **Contact: Fernanda Villar, Parent Child + Director, 617-625-6600 ext. 6992, fvillar@k12.somerville.ma.us**
- **SFLC Playgroups** are for parents and caregivers with infants, toddlers and preschoolers in Somerville to meet and play in age and language-based groups that gather weekly. Registration is ongoing throughout each session. Drop-in groups are also available. **Contact: Michelle Laskey, Playgroup Coordinator, 617-625-6600 ext. 6990, sfn@k12.somerville.ma.us**

Student Enrollment and Registration

- **Somerville Public Schools Enrollment Office** (formerly known as the Parent Information Center/PIC) guides families through the process of registering students for school and helps families find local resources and services necessary to support their child's education and development. Enrollment Office staff speak English, Spanish, Portuguese, Haitian Creole, and French. **Contact: Regina Bertholdo, Enrollment Office Director, 617-625-6600 ext. 6960, rbertholdo@k12.somerville.ma.us**

Family Engagement and Empowerment Linked to Learning

- **SFLC Family and Community Liaisons** work as a multilingual team to support family engagement in Somerville Public Schools. Liaisons strengthen home-school and community connections by focusing on parent leadership development, family engagement linked to student learning, and resource and referral for families. **Contact: Meghan Bouchard, Liaison Program Coordinator, mbouchard@k12.somerville.ma.us 617-625-6600 ext. 6969**
- **SFLC Parent/Guardian English Classes** are offered to parents/guardians of SPS students. Participants can practice and strengthen their English language skills while learning about and becoming more engaged with their child's education. SFLC works in collaboration with The Welcome Project to provide classes held in the morning and evening. **Parents/Guardians can register for classes by calling 617-625-6600 ext. 3706** **Contact: ESCS Family and Community Liaison**

Community Partnerships and Wraparound Services

- **SFLC Volunteer Program** volunteers serve and inspire in the Somerville Public Schools. Potential volunteers can apply online at www.somerville.k12.ma.us/volunteer or call for information about meaningful opportunities to support student learning in our schools. To request a volunteer, staff should contact their school-based volunteer coordinator. **Contact: Jen Capuano, Volunteer Coordinator, 617-629-5475, jcapuano@k12.somerville.ma.us**
- **Basic Needs and Homeless Services** are available to assist homeless students enroll in school, ensure students receive the educational services for which they are eligible and have access to all school activities and events as well as provide access to clothing and food resources available at the SFLC offices for families and referrals for school and community resources. **Contact: Francia Reyes, Basic Needs and Homelessness Liaison, 617-625-6600 ext. 6994, freyes@k12.somerville.ma.us**
- **Multilingual Services** ensures access to interpretation and translation services for Somerville Public School staff in order to communicate with school families. The Multilingual Services team is comprised of staff who speak English, Spanish, Portuguese and Haitian Creole as well as lower incident languages. **Contact: Maura Mendoza, Multilingual Services Coordinator, 617-625-6600 ext. 6958, mmendoza@k12.somerville.ma.us**

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Visit www.somerville.k12.ma.us/pic or www.somerville.k12.ma.us/families for more information about programs and services.

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Walk-in Services: information and referrals on how to access to Somerville programs, child care, family services and community resources.