

# SCHOOLPOOL OVERVIEW

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## Reintroduction to the SchoolPool Platform for SY25-26

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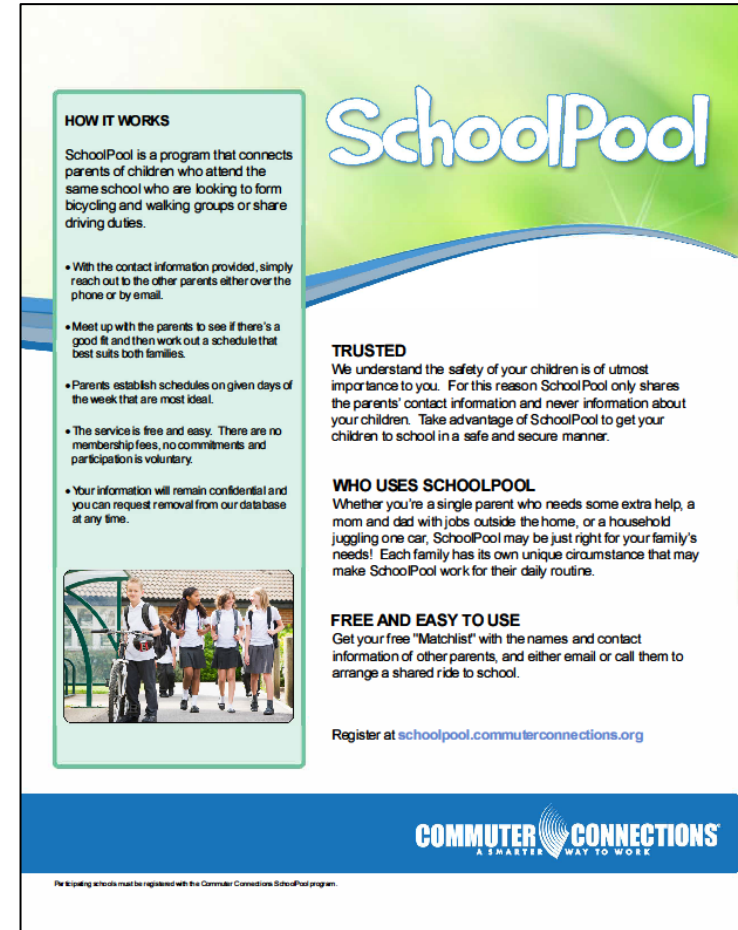
# SchoolPool Purpose

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- A partnership between Commuter Connections and your local school. SchoolPool is an interactive platform to help parents within the same neighborhoods connect with each other to form carpools, walking groups or biking groups to and from school.
- SchoolPool is an optional program for Commuter Connections network members

# SchoolPool Roles and Responsibilities

- **Commuter Connections:** hosts and maintains SchoolPool platform; onboard schools; conducts annual data purge
- **Commuter Connections Network Members:** promote the program to schools and PTOs
- **Schools:** sign agreements to be included in the SchoolPool program; share information with their students and parents
- **Parents:** Register on behalf of the student; connect with other parents



The flyer is titled "SchoolPool" in a large, white, stylized font against a green background. Below the title, there is a section titled "HOW IT WORKS" in a light blue box. This section contains four bullet points: "With the contact information provided, simply reach out to the other parents either over the phone or by email.", "Meet up with the parents to see if there's a good fit and then work out a schedule that best suits both families.", "Parents establish schedules on given days of the week that are most ideal.", and "The service is free and easy. There are no membership fees, no commitments and participation is voluntary." Below this text is a small photograph of a group of children walking to school. To the right of the "HOW IT WORKS" box, there is a section titled "TRUSTED" which states: "We understand the safety of your children is of utmost importance to you. For this reason SchoolPool only shares the parents' contact information and never information about your children. Take advantage of SchoolPool to get your children to school in a safe and secure manner." Below this is a section titled "WHO USES SCHOOLPOOL" which states: "Whether you're a single parent who needs some extra help, a mom and dad with jobs outside the home, or a household juggling one car, SchoolPool may be just right for your family's needs! Each family has its own unique circumstance that may make SchoolPool work for their daily routine." Below this is a section titled "FREE AND EASY TO USE" which states: "Get your free 'Matchlist' with the names and contact information of other parents, and either email or call them to arrange a shared ride to school." At the bottom of the flyer, there is a blue banner with the "COMMUTER CONNECTIONS" logo and the tagline "A SMARTER WAY TO WORK". Below the banner, there is a small line of text: "Participating schools must be registered with the Commuter Connections SchoolPool program."

**SchoolPool**

**HOW IT WORKS**

SchoolPool is a program that connects parents of children who attend the same school who are looking to form bicycling and walking groups or share driving duties.

- With the contact information provided, simply reach out to the other parents either over the phone or by email.
- Meet up with the parents to see if there's a good fit and then work out a schedule that best suits both families.
- Parents establish schedules on given days of the week that are most ideal.
- The service is free and easy. There are no membership fees, no commitments and participation is voluntary.
- Your information will remain confidential and you can request removal from our database at any time.

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Register at [schoolpool.commuterconnections.org](http://schoolpool.commuterconnections.org)

**COMMUTER CONNECTIONS**  
A SMARTER WAY TO WORK

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# SchoolPool Resources

- Website: [schoolpool.commuterconnections.org](https://schoolpool.commuterconnections.org)
- Flyers: Download on the COG website



**COMMUTER CONNECTIONS**  
A SMARTER WAY TO WORK  
1-800-745-RIDE





## SchoolPool

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- Parents establish schedules on given days of the week that are most ideal.
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- SchoolPool can also help match parents for bicycling and walking groups.
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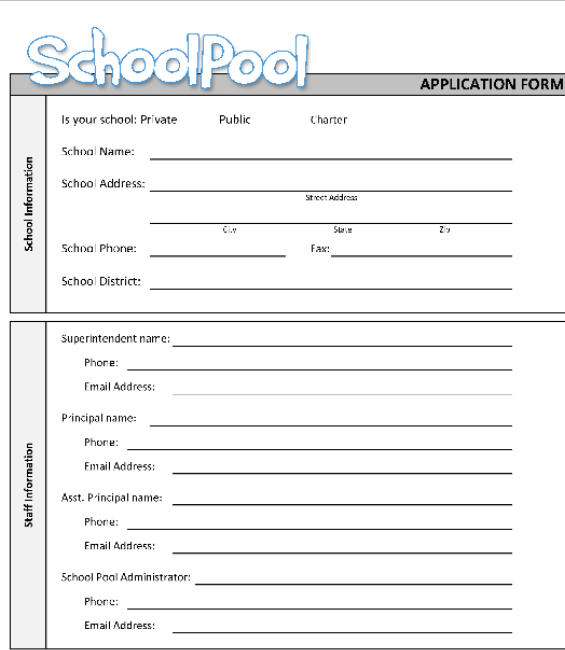
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# School Registration Process

- Schools are required to complete an application in writing
- Application must be signed by superintendent or designee
- Public, private and charter schools are included
- Download from the COG website



The form is titled "SchoolPool APPLICATION FORM". It is divided into two main sections: "School Information" and "Staff Information".

**School Information:**

- Is your school: Private Public Charter
- School Name: \_\_\_\_\_
- School Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address
- City State Zip
- School Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_
- School District: \_\_\_\_\_

**Staff Information:**

- Superintendent name: \_\_\_\_\_
- Phone: \_\_\_\_\_
- Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_
- Principal name: \_\_\_\_\_
- Phone: \_\_\_\_\_
- Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_
- Asst. Principal name: \_\_\_\_\_
- Phone: \_\_\_\_\_
- Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_
- School Pool Administrator: \_\_\_\_\_
- Phone: \_\_\_\_\_
- Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

The signature provided by the responder indicates that the information provided on this form is accurate to the best of his/her knowledge.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

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# Parent (Student) Registration

- Parent registers on behalf of the student
- Additional Terms & Conditions
- Parent conducts searches and contacts matches

## EDIT CHILD

Please update your child's information below and then click the Reactivate button to turn on this child's profile for SchoolPool matching to be enabled.

### CHILD INFORMATION

School District or Private School:

Is your school not listed? [Click here](#) to let us know.

School Name:

Street Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

## REGISTRATION FORM

E-mail is required. If you do not have an e-mail account, please call us at the number listed in 'Contact Us'

### PARENT INFORMATION

First Name:

MI:

Last Name:

E-mail:

Confirm E-mail:

Password:  (Must be 8 to 12 alphanumeric characters)

Confirm Password:  (Must be same as Password)

# Matching Options

- Matching options include:
  - My School
  - Nearby Schools
  - Do Not Match
- Modes included:
  - Carpool
  - Walk
  - Bike

**FIND RIDEMATCHES**

[Modify Search](#)

[View Map](#) [Email Matches](#) [Directions](#)

[Map](#) [Satellite](#)

**SCHOOL INFORMATION**

**Name:**  
NYSMITH SCHOOL FOR THE GIFTED

**Address:**  
13625 EDS DRIVE  
HERNDON, VA, 20171

**MATCH LIST**

**1: NINTH GRADER**  
Parent ID: 23620  
Parent's Name: Andrea  
• Email: al @yahoo.com  
• Cell Phone: 703  
• School: ST PAUL VI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL  
• CARPOOL: YES  
• WALK: NO  
• BIKE: NO  
• Schedule: 7:45 AM to 3:00 PM  
• Distance from Origin: 15.68 miles  
• Distance from Destination: 1.5 miles  
• Additional Info: I am willing to share driving duties and am available on Tuesdays and/or Fridays

**2: TENTH GRADER**  
Parent ID: 23182  
Parent's Name: Gretchen  
• Email: g @yahoo.com  
• Cell Phone: 803  
• School: ST PAUL VI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL  
• CARPOOL: YES



# Onboarding Schools: Guide for Network Members

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- Summer is a great time to onboard schools and parents!
  - Establishes carpools and walking/biking groups prior to the school year starting
- Steps for onboarding:
  1. Assess schools that may benefit from SchoolPool
  2. Contact school administration and/or PTO representative
  3. Assist school with application process
  4. Coordinate with COG Operations Center staff to add school in SchoolPool
  5. Identify internal champion at the school to help with marketing; including distributing marketing flyer to parents



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