

ENTRANCE AGE (Mandatory Kindergarten)/
EARLY ENTRANCE TO KINDERGARTEN

Each child who is five years of age on or before September 30 shall be eligible to enroll in kindergarten. Each child who is six years of age on or before September 30 and who has successfully completed kindergarten shall be eligible to enroll in the first grade.

The District policy requiring successful completion of kindergarten may be waived by the Pupil Personnel Services Committee upon parental request. The committee must be satisfied that the child demonstrates social, emotional and cognitive skills necessary for the first grade.

Referrals for students to be evaluated and assessed should be made to the building principal. Students referred and having parental permission are tested using a variety of assessments. The assessments are reviewed by an acceleration evaluation committee to determine the most appropriate and available learning environment for the students.

The committee issues a written recommendation to the building principal and the students' parents. Parents have the right to appeal the committee's recommendation to the Superintendent/designee.

The committee develops a written acceleration plan for any student who is admitted early to kindergarten. The parents of the student are provided with a copy of the written plan.

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LEGAL REFS.: ORC 3321.01
3324.01 et seq.
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CROSS REFS.: IGBB, Programs for Gifted and Talented Students
IKEB, Acceleration
JEA, Compulsory Attendance Ages