

Book Policy Manual

Section 200 Pupils

Title Admission of Students

Code 201

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Authority

The Board shall establish age requirements for the admission of beginning students which are consistent with law and regulations. The Board, through this policy, shall permit the early admission of students subject to the limitations and conditions contained herein and such students may be admitted for early admission in the discretion of the district, but shall not have a right to early admission. [1][2][3]

Guidelines

First Grade

Beginners are students entering the lowest grade of the primary school above the kindergarten level. [4][5][6]

A beginner is eligible for admission to first grade if s/he has attained the age of six (6) years on or before September 1.

The Superintendent or designee may admit as a beginning first grader a child whose sixth birthday falls between September 1 and October 15 who demonstrates readiness upon written application of the parent/guardian, submitted between February 1 and May 1 of the prior school year, recommendation of the district psychologist, and approval of the Superintendent. If granted admission, the first sixty (60) calendar days of the placement are to be considered a transition period. Withdrawal may be requested by the parent/guardian and/or recommended by district administrators. [7]

The Board is not required to admit as a beginner any child whose age is less than the district's established admission age for beginners.[7]

Kindergarten/Pre-Kindergarten

A child is eligible for admission to kindergarten if s/he has attained the age of five (5) years on or before September 1.[8]

A child is eligible for admission to pre-kindergarten (Pre-K Counts) if s/he has attained the age of four (4) years on or before September 1.

The Superintendent or designee may admit as a beginning kindergarten a child whose fifth birthday falls between September 1 and October 15 who demonstrates readiness upon written application of the

parent/guardian, submitted between February 1 and June 1 of the prior school year, recommendation of the district psychologist, and approval of the Superintendent. If granted admission, the first sixty (60) calendar days of the placement are to be considered a transition period. Withdrawal may be requested by the parent/guardian and/or recommended by district administrators. Under no circumstances will a child be considered for early entrance to five (5) year-old kindergarten unless the child is four (4) years old on or before September 1.

There will be no early entrance to pre-kindergarten.

Delegation of Responsibility

The Superintendent or designee shall require that the parent/guardian of each student who registers for entrance to school shall submit evidence of the student's age and immunizations, a completed Parent Registration Statement, and at least two (2) documents verifying residence, as required by law and regulations.[9][10]

Legal

- 1. 22 PA Code 11.12
- 2. 22 PA Code 11.41
- 3. 24 P.S. 1301
- 4. 24 P.S. 1304
- 5. 24 P.S. 1326
- 6. 22 PA Code 11.15
- 7. 22 PA Code 11.16
- 8. 22 PA Code 11.14
- 9. Pol. 200
- 10. Pol. 203
- 24 P.S. 503
- 22 PA Code 4.41