

ENTRANCE AGE / ENTRANCE TO KINDERGARTEN

Each child who is five years of age on or before August 1 shall be eligible to enroll in kindergarten. Each child who is six years of age on or before November 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 upon parental request to the pupil personnel services committee. This committee shall be comprised as set forth in the Ohio Revised Code.

When a request for early entrance to kindergarten is received, the building principal interviews the parent(s) and child and arranges for the testing. The child's fifth birthday must fall between August 2 and November 30 of the year requested for early entrance. The testing assists the Superintendent by measuring the following areas.

1. the child's fifth birthday must fall between August 2 and November 30 of the year requested for early entrance;
2. the child's total IQ should be at least 125 on a deviation scale as determined by standardized testing;
3. the child should possess and demonstrate social and emotional characteristics that will permit conformity with the pattern of behavior commonly expected of children in kindergarten. Such factors as cooperation, self-confidence, attention span, independence, ability to follow directions and the ability to get along with peers and adults;
4. the child should possess adequate development of visual-motor skills and
5. admission of the child must be recommended based on the above evidence and criteria by school psychologist, the building principal and other related administration.

Early entrance testing will be done during the summer on an appointment basis.

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