

5112 ENTRANCE AGE

The Board of Education will admit to this district children otherwise eligible by law or Board policy who have attained the age requirements set by law and this Board of Education. The Board requires documentary verification of the age and birthdate of any child for whom admission to this district is sought.

Preschool Program:

The Board of Education will accept tuition for regular education students in the district's Integrated Preschool Program to provide our population of children with special needs the opportunity to be educated in the least restrictive environment along with their typically developing peers.

A child is eligible for entrance into preschool who will have attained the age of three years on or before October 1 of the year in which entrance is sought. Additional regular education pupils will be selected based on:

1. Remaining available space is based on a lottery system for regular education students;
2. General education students must be toilet trained and able to attend school without requiring a diaper.

When the preschool receives more applications than there are spaces available, the district shall hold a public lottery to determine the selection of pupils for participation in the preschool program.

- (1) The district shall develop a waiting list based on the lottery.
- (2) The district shall notify the parent or guardian of every pupil who has submitted an application of the lottery.



- (3) The district shall assign a number to each pupil participating in the lottery and shall notify the parent or guardian of the number assigned to their child(ren).
- (4) Before conducting the lottery, the district will give preference to siblings of pupils already enrolled in and attending the district. A two tier lottery will be conducted as follows:
 - (a) Tier One – In the event there are more siblings than seats available, the district shall conduct a lottery first for siblings only in order to determine the selection of pupils for participation and placement on the waiting list.
 - (b) Tier Two – A second lottery for additional applicants will be conducted to assign them a place on the waiting list. In the event additional seats remain after all siblings have been enrolled in the program, the additional applicants will be enrolled based on the lottery waiting list.

Kindergarten

Any child residing in the district shall be admitted to the Kindergarten provided:

- A. The child will have attained the age of five years on or before October 1 of that school year;

Grade One

Any child residing in the district shall be admitted to grade one provided:

- A. The child will have attained the age of six years on or before October 1 of that school year; or
- B. He/she has been in the first grade in another public school;



In addition to the specific requirements listed for each grade level, all students registering must adhere to the following:

1. Not be able to begin school on the first day of school in September unless his/her parent(s) or legal guardian(s) have presented an original raised seal birth certificate, indicating the child's chronological age. This legal document indicating chronological age shall be photocopied and the copy shall be attached to the Kindergarten enrollee's registration form. The registration form will be signed and dated in the appropriate space by the individual accepting and photocopying the legal document which indicates the chronological age. The original legal document shall be returned to the parent(s) or legal guardian(s);
2. Furnish proof of immunization against the communicable diseases at the time of enrollment or such immunization shall be completed within thirty days from date of entry into the school;
3. Complete a medical examination form by the tenth school day in September. The required medical examination must include a test for tuberculosis. The form must be signed by a licensed physician in any jurisdiction of the United States, including a military physician.

N.J.S.A. 18A:36-19; 18A:38-5; 18A:38-6; 18A:44-1;
18A:44-2; 18A:46-6; 18A:46-6.1
N.J.A.C. 6A:14-3.3

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