

Early Entrance**

If a request for early admission to kindergarten or first grade is received by the district, the following guidelines will be used:

1. A child attaining age five on or before September 1 qualifies for kindergarten; age six on or before September 1 qualifies for first grade. Students who are not the appropriate age may be considered for early entry;
2. The Request for Early Entrance form must be filled out by a parent. The completion of this form and receipt of formal evaluation will activate the early entry committee. Members of that committee are: Kindergarten and/or first-grade teachers, the speech and language therapist, building principals and the director of special services;
3. The parents will be made aware that it is their responsibility to secure testing by a qualified agency approved by the director of special services.

Three areas that must be tested include:

- a. Cognitive (intelligence);
- b. Affective (social/emotional); and
- c. Physical.

Test scores should be in the top quartile for entering first grade.

4. All information must be received by the director of special services on or before August 1;
5. The early entry committee will review the test information and the parent interview forms. If a student is to be considered for early entrance, the student will also be required to participate in a one-day screening/observation conducted by the district during the second week of August;
6. The screening committee will make recommendation to the superintendent, and parents will be notified by the end of the third week in August;
7. A written appeal can be made by the parents to the superintendent who may affirm, reverse or modify the early entry committee's decision. A subsequent hearing may be held with the Board if the respective decision does not meet with the approval of the parent(s).

REQUEST FOR EARLY ENTRANCE

Date: _____

Child: _____ Date of Birth: _____

I request that my child be reviewed for early admission to kindergarten/first grade.

I will have _____ evaluated at my expense in the following areas:

- 1. Cognitive (intelligence);
- 2. Affective (social/emotional);
- 3. Physical.

I understand the test scores must equal or surpass the norms for six-year, five-month age level in all areas of assessment by August 1. I will receive written information from the district concerning my request within three weeks of providing them with the test scores.

Parent Signature

Date

Print Name

Email

Phone