

Early Entrance into the First Grade**

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

1. A child attaining age five/six on or before September 1 qualifies for kindergarten/first grade. Students who are not age five/six may be considered for early entry;
2. The Request for Early Kindergarten/First-Grade Entrance form must be filled out by a parent. The completion of these forms and receipt of formal evaluation results will activate the early entry committee. Members of that committee will include kindergarten/first-grade teachers, the superintendent and others, as deemed appropriate by the superintendent;
3. The parents will be made aware that it is their responsibility to secure testing by a qualified agency approved by the superintendent or designee.

Five areas that must be tested include:

- a. Cognitive (intelligence);
- b. Affective (social/emotional);
- c. Psychomotor (fine and gross motor);
- d. Language (phoneme/morpheme/syntax);
- e. Medical/Physical.

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

4. All information must be received by the superintendent 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 a determination, 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 Board if the respective decision does not meet with the approval of the parent.

REQUEST FOR EARLY ENTRANCE

Date _____

Child Name _____

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. Psychomotor (fine and gross motor);
4. Language (phoneme/morpheme/syntax)
5. Medical/Physical.

I understand the test scores must equal or surpass the norms for five-year; five month/six-year, five-month age level in all areas of assessment by August 15. I will receive written information from the District concerning my request within three weeks of providing them with the test scores.

Parent Signature

Date