



Early Entrance**

Entrance Requirements

Students whose parents or legal guardians are residents of the district are eligible to attend classes in the district's schools pursuant to state law and Board policies.

A student entering school for the first time in the fall shall be considered of school age if the student's birthday meets the birthday requirements established by Oregon Revised Statutes. A student is to be five years old on or before September 1 to enter kindergarten and six years old on or before September 1 to enter the first grade, except that:

1. Parents of a student born between September 1 and December 31 may apply for an early entry into school following the successful completion of the steps listed below. Students born after December 31 are not eligible for early entrance consideration.
 - a. The request for consideration of early entrance must be made in writing to the district office no later than July 31. Parents shall contact the district to complete the written request and to schedule an Early Entrance Exam (a standardized assessment of the following skills: speech and language development, gross and fine motor development, cognitive skills and socialization development).
 - b. Once a written request has been received, an assessment will be scheduled with a district-approved, qualified examiner.
 - c. Parents shall pay for the cost of the assessment. Parents who are in need of financial assistance, may request assistance from the district and will be considered based on qualifying criteria.
 - d. Results of the assessment will be given to parents and interpreted by the examiner.
 - e. A copy of the results will be given to the principal after August 1.
 - f. The principal and the director of curriculum shall review the assessment results and determine if early entrance shall be approved, conditionally approved or not approved.
 - g. The decision about early entrance will be communicated (in writing and by phone or in person) to the parents or guardian of the student no later than 10 working days after the assessment data is submitted to the principal.
 - h. This assignment is conditional and may be revoked at any time if the school and district determine it is not an appropriate placement. The success of this placement will be re-evaluated at the end of the year to determine placement for the following school year.

Students who transfer from other public school districts in other states where the entrance age is lower may be considered for entry in this district in like-grade placement if they have maintained regular attendance during the entire school term. Consideration and final decision will be made by the school principal.