

**Winston-Dillard
School District 116**

Code: **JEBA**
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Orig. Code(s): JEBA

Early Entrance**

A student is considered six years of age and will be admitted into a public school if his/her sixth birthday occurs on or before September 1. A student whose sixth birthday occurs after that date may be admitted to the first grade if he/she has maintained regular attendance in any grade of a public full-time school during the entire school term.

A student will be admitted to kindergarten if his/her fifth birthday occurs on or before September 1, or is a kindergarten student transferring from a public school in another district. Early entry into kindergarten may be allowed for a student based on an analysis by qualified district professional staff member of the student's academic development, physical development, and social skills development based on the Kindergarten Readiness Test (KRT), the Conners Early Childhood assessment, and observations/interactions.

To be in compliance with the law, the district will employ standardized instruments administered and interpreted by professional educators trained to understand and evaluate student growth and development. Results of testing will be shared with parent(s) or guardian by qualified staff.

In order to qualify for early entrance, the student must meet all of the following criteria:

1. Be five years old by October 1; and
2. Achieve a score at or above the 85th percentile on the total (overall) readiness tests 1-6 and no more than 1 marginal/low readiness score, on the KRT;
3. T-Score of less than 40 on the Conners Early Childhood assessment.

The superintendent or designee shall identify screening processes and instruments which will provide a dependable assessment of the preceding criteria.

Parents will be required to pay the cost of the special testing involved. Prior to the testing the parent/legal guardian will be notified of the total cost of the testing and the need to pay for the testing to be provided in advance.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 327.006](#)
[ORS 336.092](#)

[ORS 336.095](#)
[ORS 339.010](#)

[ORS 339.115](#)
[ORS 343.395](#)