

ENTRANCE AGE

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Purpose: To establish the basic structure for the appropriate age for students entering school.

Preschool-age children with disabilities

The district provides a free and appropriate public education consistent with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act for all three-, four- and five-year-old children with disabilities who reside in the district.

Child development

Students may enroll in his/her assigned school's child development program if the following criteria are met.

- the child will attain the age of four on or before September 1 of the school year
- the child meets other criteria as determined by his/her school

Kindergarten

Students may enroll in kindergarten if they meet one of these criteria.

- They will attain the age of five on or before September 1 of the school year.
- They substantially began attending a public school kindergarten program in another state that has a different attendance age requirement.

First grade

Students may enroll in the first grade if they meet one of these criteria.

- They will attain the age of six on or before September 1 of the school year.
- They substantially began a first grade program in another state that has a different attendance requirement.
- They have attended a public school kindergarten program for one full school year.

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Legal references:

- A. S.C. Code, 1976, as amended:
 1. Section 59-19-340 - Child development programs.
 2. Section 59-36-10 - Preschool programs for children with disabilities.
 3. Section 59-63-20(3) - Kindergarten entrance age.
 4. Section 59-63-20(4) - First grade entrance age.
- B. State Board of Education Regulations:
 1. R43-272 - School admissions.