

District Policy & Regulations

BOARD OF EDUCATION COLUMBUS SCHOOL DISTRICT

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EARLY ENTRANCE KINDERGARTEN & FIRST GRADE

A child must be five (5) years of age by September 1st to enroll in kindergarten. It shall be required for all children enrolling in the Columbus School District for the first time to present a birth certificate or other satisfactory evidence of date of birth.

The parent/guardian of any child who reaches five (5) years of age *after* September 1st *but before* November 1st, may apply to the School Board for early kindergarten entrance.

A child must be six (6) years of age by September 1st to enroll in first grade.

The parent/guardian of any child who reaches six (6) years of age *after* September 1st *but before* November 1st, may apply to the School Board for early first grade entrance.

The criteria for early entry will be based on whether or not the child demonstrates a strong potential for success and is able to cope with the school environment intellectually, socially, physically, and emotionally. The application and supporting evidence shall be submitted to the administration for evaluation and recommendation to the School Board.

The Columbus School District does not discriminate against pupils on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, or physical, emotional, or learning disability or handicap in its education programs.

State Statute 118.14 (1) (b), (c)
 120.12 (25)

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