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Admission

Age of Admittance to Transitional Kindergarten, Kindergarten and First Grade

At the beginning of each school year, the Superintendent or designee shall enroll any eligible child whose fifth or sixth birthday is on or before September 1 of that year into kindergarten or first grade, as applicable. (Education Code 48000, 48010)

Admission into transitional kindergarten shall be in accordance with law and as specified in BP 6170.1 - Transitional Kindergarten. (Education Code 48000)

On a case-by-case basis, and with the approval of the child's parent/guardian, a child who will turn five years old in a given school year may be enrolled in kindergarten at any time during that school year with the approval of the child's parent/guardian, provided that: (Education Code 48000)

1. The Board of Education determines that the admittance is in the best interests of the child.
2. The parent/guardian is given information regarding the advantages and disadvantages and any other explanatory information about the effect of this early admittance.

The Superintendent or designee shall make a recommendation to the Board whether or not a child should be granted early entry to kindergarten, as appropriate. In doing so, the Superintendent or designee shall consider various factors including the availability of classroom space and any negotiated maximum class size.

Documentation of Age/Grade

Prior to the admission of a child to transitional kindergarten, kindergarten or first grade, the parent/guardian shall present proof of the child's age. (Education Code 48002)

Evidence of the child's age may include: (Education Code 48002)

1. A certified copy of a birth certificate or a statement by the local registrar or county recorder certifying the date of birth.
2. A duly attested baptism certificate.
3. A passport.

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4. A hospital certificate of birth.
5. When none of the foregoing is obtainable, an affidavit of the parent/guardian.
6. Other means prescribed by the Board.

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