

## Entrance Age Requirements

A child may enter kindergarten if they are five years old on or before June 1 of the year of enrollment. Younger students who do not meet the district's entrance age requirement for kindergarten may be accepted if transferring from another kindergarten program if the principal or designee determines that placement of the student in kindergarten is appropriate. A child who is four years old on or before the district's start date for kindergarten and has been identified as a highly advanced gifted student in accordance with applicable state law may enroll in kindergarten if the principal or designee determines that placement of the student in kindergarten is appropriate.

A child may enroll in the first grade if they are six years old on or before June 1 of the year of enrollment. Younger students who do not meet the district's entrance age requirement for the first grade may be accepted if transferring from the first grade in another school or if they are determined by the district to be highly advanced gifted children.

A legal birth certificate or other acceptable record is required for enrollment age certification. The principal or designee will make exceptions to these entrance age requirements in accordance with state law pertaining to the education of military children.

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LEGAL REFS.:           C.R.S. 22-1-115 (*school age*)  
                              C.R.S. 22-20-204 (*program plan requirements regarding highly advanced  
                              gifted children*)  
                              C.R.S. 22-32-119 (*kindergarten*)  
                              C.R.S. 22-33-104 (1)(a) (*Compulsory School Attendance Law requiring  
                              attendance for children aged 6 through 16 as of August 1*)  
                              C.R.S. 22-54-103 (10) (*sets October 1 date for funding*)  
  
                              C.R.S. 22-54-103 (10.5) (*defines pupil enrollment count day*)  
  
                              C.R.S. 24-60-3402 (*Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for  
                              Military Children*)  
                              1 CCR 301-8, 2220-R-12.00 (*highly advanced gifted children*)

CROSS REF.: JEA, Compulsory Attendance Ages

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