

KINDERGARTEN ENTRANCE AGE

Policy F.2.C

Children in Frontier School Division shall be eligible to begin kindergarten in September of the year in which they reach their fifth (5th) birthday.

The Board of Trustees does not encourage early admission. However, a child who becomes five (5) years of age in January of the succeeding calendar year may be admitted, provided that space is available and the school can receive, prior to the admittance, reasonable evidence of the readiness of the child for instruction at the kindergarten level. Early admission requirements are outlined in Regulations F.2.C– R.

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Early Entrance Requirements

1. If a parent wishes a child, who will be five (5) years of age in January of the succeeding calendar year, to be admitted to kindergarten in September, the parent must submit a request for early admission in writing to the Area Superintendent no later than May 1.
2. The Area Superintendent is responsible for making the decision to admit the child.
3. The Area Superintendent, at his/her discretion, shall have one or more of the following assessment(s) completed.
 - a. The psychologist will prepare an evaluation of the cognitive, developmental and social/emotional growth of the child through interviews with the parents and interviews and work with the child.
 - b. The speech and hearing clinician will prepare an evaluation of language and auditory acuity.
 - c. Other consultants and teachers may be requested to test the child.
4. If the Area Superintendent decides that the child is ready for early admittance, the child will be admitted into the kindergarten program in September on a trial basis for a period of two months. The Area Superintendent will inform the parents in writing of the approval and conditions of admittance.
5. If after the two month trial period, the school finds the child is not ready, the Area Superintendent, after due consultation, will request the parents to withdraw the child.
6. If the child demonstrates readiness after the two month trial period, the Area Superintendent shall inform the parents, and the child shall be considered fully admitted.

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