

Policies and Procedures Sub Committee Meeting
August 7, 2019

A Sub Committee meeting will be held on **Wednesday, August 7, 2019 at 1:00 PM** in the Superintendent's Office.

AGENDA:

1. Entrance Policy
2. School Admission
3. Student Handbooks

Respectfully submitted,

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ENTRANCE AGE

In an attempt to permit students to enter school at the time most appropriate for them individually, the School Committee establishes the following policy on entrance age:

1. Children who will be five years of age prior to September 1 of the school year during which they wish to enroll will be eligible to enter kindergarten for that school year.
2. A child who will be six years of age prior to September 1 of the school year during which they wish to enroll will be eligible to enter grade 1. The parents of students who have completed kindergarten elsewhere but have not turned six prior to September 1 may discuss an exception to this policy with the principal. The principal in consultation with the superintendent or designee will be authorized to make a determination in these cases.
3. Placement in subsequent grades will involve a consideration of chronological age, the readiness of the child, or the completion of a previous grade in a bonafide program with a recommendation for promotion. The principal in consultation with the superintendent or designee will be authorized to make these determinations.
4. Initial admission of children to the first grade (or other grades) will involve a consideration of both chronological age and the readiness of the children to do the work of those grades.

SOURCE: MASC

LEGAL REFS.: M.G.L. 15:1G
Board of Education Regulations for Entrance to First Grade and Kindergarten, adopted 7/20/71

ENTRANCE AGE

In an attempt to permit children to enter kindergarten or first grade at the time most appropriate for them individually, the School Committee establishes the following policy on entrance age:

1. Children who will be five years of age before September 1 of the school year during which they wish to enroll will be eligible to enter kindergarten in September.

The admission of children whose birthdays fall after September 1 will be solely at the school's discretion.

2. Initial admission of children to the first grade (or other grades) will involve a consideration of both chronological age and the readiness of the children to do the work of those grades.

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SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

All children of school age who reside in the town will be entitled to attend the public schools, as will certain children who do not reside in the town but who are admitted under School Committee policies relating to nonresident students or by specific action of the School Committee.

Advance registration for prospective kindergarten students will take place in the spring. Every student seeking admission to school for the first time must present a birth certificate or equivalent proof of age acceptable to the Principal and proof of vaccination and immunizations as required by the state and the School Committee. Proof of residency of legal guardianship may also be required by the school administration.

SOURCE: MASC

LEGAL REFS.: M.G.L. 15:1G; 76:1; 76:5; 76:15; 76:15A
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CROSS REFS.: JLCA, Physical Examination of Students
JLCB, Inoculations of Students
JFBB, School Choice