



SCHOOL ENTRANCE AGE

Background

Board Policy 2: Role of the Board addresses the Board's accountability to the community, and establishing entrance ages based on data and best practice is an important way to demonstrate the Board's accountability. It is important that a uniform school entrance age be established for Kindergarten and grade one programs.

Procedures

1. The student's parent or legal guardian will provide legal identification with proof of age at the time of registration.
2. A child may attend a Kindergarten program offered by the division if he/she will be five years of age on or before December 31 of that school year.
3. A child whose sixth birthday occurs on or before December 31 of the current school year shall be admitted into the grade one program.
4. The Superintendent shall be responsible for reviewing requests for exemptions to the established school entrance ages and approving or rejecting these based upon their individual merits and the exemption complies with the *Education Act* and any applicable Alberta Education funding rules or limitations.
5. Students who transfer into the division and have been enrolled in Kindergarten or grade one in the school jurisdiction where they previously resided shall be enrolled at that level.