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Enrollment in Kindergarten

A child must reach the age of five on or before July 31st of the calendar year to be enrolled in kindergarten. The school district may enroll a child who will reach the age of five between August 1st and October 15th of the year of enrollment if the parent or guardian requests such enrollment and provides an affidavit stating:

(a) the child attended kindergarten in another jurisdiction in the current school year; or

(b) the family anticipates relocating to another jurisdiction that would allow admission within the current year; or

(c) the child has demonstrated through assessment procedures approved by the board that he or she is capable of performing the work of kindergarten. The assessment procedures shall be as follows:

- The parent or guardian must obtain an **Early Entrances to Kindergarten Packet** from the School District Administrative Office.
- The parent or guardian must fill out the Early Entrance Application Form and request Kindergarten Entrance Assessment, **Early Kindergarten Entrance Assessment**.
- The parent or guardian shall complete the **Ages and Stages SE Interview**.
- The parent or guardian shall submit the child's assessment records from a state or federally approved preschool or, if such records do not exist, submit an **Ages and Stages SE Questionnaire** completed by the child's non-relative preschool teacher, pediatrician, child-care provider, or some similarly situated individual.

All required documentation must be submitted to the Central City Public Schools no later than **April 15** for attendance during the following school year. After reviewing the submitted information, the Elementary Principal shall have the discretion to determine whether the child shall be required to complete the **Early Kindergarten Entrance Assessment**.

The board delegates to the elementary principal responsibility for determining whether the conditions of this policy have been met. The elementary principal may deny early enrollment of a child who meets the early enrollment criteria if, in the principal's professional judgment, the child lacks the academic or social skills to be successful in the district's kindergarten program.

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