

## Policy JEB Entrance Age

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Purpose: To establish the basic structure for the appropriate age for students entering school.

The district provides a free appropriate public education consistent with the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act for all three-, four- and five-year-old children with disabilities who reside in the district.

### Kindergarten

Students may enroll in kindergarten if they meet one of these criteria.

- They will attain the age of five on or before September 1 of the school year.
- They substantially began a first grade program in another state that has a different attendance age requirement.

### First grade

Students may enroll in the first grade if they meet one of these criteria.

- They will attain the age of six on or before September 1 of the school year.
- They substantially began a first grade program in another state that has a different attendance age requirement.
- They have attended a public school kindergarten program for one full school year.

OR

- They substantially began an acceptable in-state first grade program.

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Legal references:

S.C. Code, 1976, as amended:

[Section 59-19-340](#) - Child development programs.

[Section 59-36-10](#) - Preschool programs for children with disabilities.

[Section 59-63-20\(3\)](#) - Kindergarten entrance age.

[Section 59-63-20\(4\)](#) - First grade entrance age.

State Board of Education Regulations:

[R-43-272](#) - School admissions.

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