

Entrance Age

PRESCHOOL

In accordance with appropriate state and federal legal requirements, any child who has been identified as disabled or otherwise qualifies for services, and who is three (3) or four (4) years of age, or who may become five (5) years of age after October 1 of the current year, shall be eligible for a free and appropriate preschool education and related services.¹

Children at risk of educational failure who are four (4) by October 1 may enter preschool. All other four (4) year old children shall be served to the extent placements are available.²

PRIMARY SCHOOL

A child who becomes five (5) by October 1 may enter primary school and may advance through the primary program without regard to age in accordance with [KRS 158.030](#). A child who becomes six (6) by October 1 shall attend public school unless s/he qualifies for an exemption as provided by law.³

The District shall establish guidelines to determine a student's level of academic and social skills when that student is being considered for advancement through the primary program. A student who is at least five (5) years of age, but less than six (6) years of age on or before October 1, may be enrolled in the second level of the primary program in keeping with the process set out in Kentucky Administrative Regulation.⁵

PROOF OF AGE

Upon enrollment for the first time in any elementary or secondary school, a student or student's parent shall provide:

- A certified copy of the student's birth certificate, or
- Other reliable proof of the student's identity and age with an affidavit explaining the inability to produce a copy of the birth certificate.⁴

REFERENCES:

¹[KRS 157.3175](#)

²[KRS 158.030](#)

³[KRS 157.226](#); [KRS 159.030](#)

⁴[KRS 158.032](#); [KRS 158.035](#); [KRS 214.034](#)

⁵[KRS 158.031](#); [704 KAR 004:020](#); [702 KAR 007:125](#)

[KRS 158.140](#); [KRS 158.990](#)

[KRS 159.010](#)

[OAG 82-408](#); [OAG 85-55](#)

RELATED POLICIES:

08.22

09.126 (re requirements/exceptions for students from military families)

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