

<b>Administrative Directive Title:</b>  <b>Kindergarten Early Admission</b>	<b>AD Number:</b> <b>6.201.1</b>	<b>Adopted:</b> November 2024
<b>Policy References:</b> <a href="#">Board Policy 6.201</a> - Compulsory Attendance Ages	<b>Revised:</b>	

1 Children who are 5 years old by August 15, 2024, are eligible to enroll in kindergarten. However,  
 2 children who turn 5 between August 16 and September 30, 2024, have an opportunity to be assessed to  
 3 determine readiness for early access to kindergarten.

4 The intent of early access is to identify highly capable children who miss the regular August 15 cutoff  
 5 for kindergarten entrance due to their date of birth.

6 Early access to kindergarten is a whole-grade acceleration that is designed for the exceptional child who  
 7 is academically, developmentally, and socially advanced as compared to others of his or her  
 8 chronological age. Parents who desire to have their child considered for early access to kindergarten may  
 9 apply to have their child screened through the district's Special Education Department. Students that  
 10 meet the Tennessee State eligibility criteria for giftedness may be eligible for early entrance, subject to  
 11 approval by the Director of Schools and placement determination by the child's individualized education  
 12 program (IEP) team.



## Application and Consent for Early Kindergarten Assessment

Children who turn five between August 16 and September 30, 2025, may be eligible for early access to kindergarten. This opportunity is designed to identify exceptional children who demonstrate advanced academic, developmental, and social abilities. Early access allows these students to enter kindergarten before the standard cutoff date of August 15. Parents interested in early kindergarten enrollment for their child can apply for an assessment.

Child's Name:		Date of Birth:	
Address:			
Parent/Guardian:		Relationship to Child:	
Phone Number:		E-mail:	
Current Preschool/Daycare (if applicable):			

### CONSENT FOR ASSESSMENT

I, the parent/guardian of the child named above, request an assessment to determine readiness for early access to kindergarten. I understand that this assessment will evaluate various areas of my child's development and that the results will be used to determine eligibility for early entrance. I also understand that participation in the assessment process does not guarantee early admission.

By signing this form, I give consent for the assessment of my/our child for early access to kindergarten.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_