

Policies

Newport Public Schools Instructional Mandates - Admission to Kindergarten

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In accordance with RI Gen. Laws § 16-2-27 as of January 1, 2004, pupils shall normally be admitted to kindergarten at the opening of the fall term provided they shall be five (5) years old by September 1st of that school year. Special permission for early admission to kindergarten may be granted by the Superintendent/designee upon careful consideration for:

- (1) students from out-of-state who transfer to the Newport Public Schools and have been in attendance in Kindergarten in another state. Documentation must be provided and;
- (2) students whose parents temporarily living in Newport with a permanent domicile in another state that has a different cut off for Kindergarten. Documentation must be provided.
- (3) students who are considered exceptionally ready to enter Kindergarten. This determination shall be based upon such tests, interviews, other evaluative procedures, and other limiting standards prescribed by the Superintendent listed in the document titled Procedures for Early Kindergarten Enrollment attached and appended to this Policy.

References

RI Gen. Laws § 16-2-27

Criteria for Kindergarten Placement – Appendix

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