

ENTRANCE AGE

Background

The Division makes programs available to all students who are of legal age and are eligible to attend school.

Early Childhood Services refers to Kindergarten and Early Childhood Services (ECS) programs in the years prior to grade one entrance. Early Childhood Services programs provide services, to eligible children, to address the developmental needs of children. Participation in an Early Childhood Services (ECS) program is not mandatory.

Definitions

Eligibility

- a. A child may start a kindergarten program in September if their fifth birthday falls on or before December 31st of that year.
- b. Children more than two years eight months of age and less than four years eight months of age on September 1st, may be eligible to register in an Early Childhood Services program.

Procedures

1. Students may start the grade one program in September if their sixth birthday falls on or before December 31st of that year.
2. Legal proof of birth must be shown at time of registration.

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References

Section 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 11, 16, 21, 32, 33, 52, 53, 197, 222 Education Act