

REFERRAL FOR EARLY ENTRANCE

Child's Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Home Address _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian E-mail _____ Phone _____

Home Language _____ Will a translator be needed? _____

Preschool Information:

Preschool Name _____ Phone: _____

Preschool Address _____

Dates Attended _____ Most Recent Teacher _____

____ I have attached recent work samples and a referral from preschool

____ My child did not attend preschool

Children who will benefit from early entrance may not exhibit all of the characteristics listed below; however, strong candidates will exhibit more of these characteristics than other children.

What to look for in the areas of ability/achievement/aptitude/behavior?

My child seems advanced beyond other children his/her age in these ways:

- Understands the meanings and use of words better than other children his/her age
- Is curious about many things and asks questions often
- Is very good at working puzzles or solving problems
- Has a great sense of humor and understands jokes more than other children his/her age
- Has a good memory and remembers details of conversations or stories
- Is interested in difficult concepts such as time and space
- Concentrates on certain activities much longer than other children his/her age
- Reads (and understands text) in picture books or chapter books
- Figures out math-related problems better than other children his/her age

What are some important school and academic factors?

My child:

- Enjoys learning new information or skills
- Participates in community-sponsored activities such as sports, dance, gymnastics, library and museum programs
- Believes he/she is capable of succeeding at new tasks

What are some important developmental factors?

My child has the following developmental characteristics

- He/she has average fine and large motor coordination (i.e., holding a pencil, skipping)
- He/she is able to use the computer to play games or find information

What are some important interpersonal skills for entering school?

My child:

- Thoughtfully considers feedback and criticism and modifies behavior appropriately
- Often behaves in a way that is positive and effective
- Has good interpersonal skills with age-mates, as well as with both older and younger children and with adults
- Has excellent interpersonal relationships with adults in a teaching role

What are some important attitudes and supports necessary for success in school?

- My child is enthusiastic about going to kindergarten or first grade.
- As a parent, I understand that a child's success in school depends on support provided at home. I am able to give my child additional support to help in his/her transition to a new setting with much higher academic demands than he/she encountered in preschool.

Some considerations:

My child:

- Has one or more older siblings in the grade in which he/she will be placed if admitted by early entrance which may cause social/emotional issues in the family. In which case, acceleration may not be advisable.
- Often did not want to attend preschool or missed preschool often because of illness or family issues.

Please note: In order to facilitate a smooth transition for your child at the beginning of the school year, the referral for Early Entrance must be submitted by May 1. Late referrals may not be completed until mid-August or later.

- I believe that my child exhibits a number of the characteristics listed above that indicate he/she might benefit from an Early Entrance. I have reviewed the considerations and do not feel that they would negatively impact my child's success in school. I request evaluation for my child for possible early entrance to Kindergarten or first grade.

Parent Name (Please print)

Parent signature

Date

Please return this form and completed Parent Questionnaire to:

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