

Policy 4.3

COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

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Every parent, legal guardian, person having lawful control of the child, or person standing in loco parentis of any child age five (5) through seventeen (17) years on or before August 1 of the current school year, as defined by policy (4.2R ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS) who resides, as defined by policy (4.1R RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS), within the District shall enroll and send the child to a District school with the following exceptions.

- 1. The child is enrolled in private or parochial school.
- 2. The child is being home-schooled and the conditions of policy (4.6R HOME SCHOOLING) have been met.
- 3. The child will not be age five (5) on or before the appropriate entrance date of that particular school year and the parent, legal guardian, person having lawful control of the child, or person standing in loco parentis of the child elects not to have him/her attend kindergarten. A kindergarten wavier form prescribed by regulation of the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education must be signed and on file with the District administrative office.
- 4. The child has received a high school diploma or its equivalent as determined by the State Board of Education.
- 5. The child is age sixteen (16) or above and is enrolled in a post-secondary vocational technical institution, a community college, or a two-year or four-year institution of higher education.
- 6. The child is age sixteen (16) or seventeen (17) and has met the requirements to enroll in an adult education program as defined by A.C.A. § 6-18-201 (b).

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