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The Board shall establish age requirements for the admission of students to first grade and to kindergarten that are consistent with state law and regulations.[\[1\]](#)[\[2\]](#)[\[3\]](#)

Guidelines

First Grade

Beginners are students entering the lowest grade of primary school above the kindergarten level. The Board establishes the district's entry age for beginners as not less than six (6) years on or before September 1 of the school year in which s/he seeks admission, in accordance with state law and regulations. [\[4\]](#)[\[5\]](#)[\[6\]](#)

The Board may admit as a beginner a child who is five (5) years old and demonstrates readiness for entry by the first day of the school term, upon the written request of the parent/guardian, recommendation of the district psychologist, and approval of the Superintendent.[\[7\]](#)

Children who have not attained the age of six (6) years on or before the 1st day of September, but are five (5) years and nine (9) months by the 1st day of September, and who have attended and have satisfactorily completed the requirements of a public or state approved private kindergarten program may be eligible for first grade placement. Grade placement will be determined by the Superintendent or designee based on the child's social and developmental factors, a thorough review of the child's academic records, and recommendations from the professional staff.

The Board is not required to admit as a beginner any child whose age is less than the district's established admission age for beginners.[\[7\]](#)

Kindergarten

The Board establishes the district's entry age for kindergarten as not less than five (5) years on or before September 1 of the school year in which s/he seeks admission, in accordance with state law and regulations.

An exception to the age requirement shall be in cases where the student's family establishes residence in the Southeastern Greene School District after the child was enrolled in and attended kindergarten classes in a state approved school – public, private or parochial – outside of the district and has reached an age of at least four (4) years and nine (9) months prior to the appropriate date for the school year s/he enrolls.

Delegation of Responsibility

The Superintendent or designee shall require that the parent/guardian of each student who registers for entrance to school shall submit proof of age, residency, and required immunizations.[9][10]

Legal

1. 22 PA Code 11.12
 2. 22 PA Code 11.41
 3. 24 P.S. 1301
 4. 22 PA Code 11.15
 5. 24 P.S. 1304
 6. 24 P.S. 1326
 7. 22 PA Code 11.16
 8. 22 PA Code 11.14
 9. Pol. 200
 10. Pol. 203
- 24 P.S. 503
- 22 PA Code 4.41

