## KINDERGARTEN APPEAL POLICY

To enter kindergarten in the State of Indiana, a child must be five (5) years old on or before August 1 to be eligible to attend school in the fall.

In accordance with Indiana Code 20-33-2-7

"...the governing body of the school corporation shall adopt a procedure affording a parent of an individual who does not meet the minimum age requirement set forth in this subsection the right of appeal to the superintendent of the school corporation for enrollment of the individual in kindergarten at an age earlier than the age that is set forth in this subsection."

The appeal process for the West Washington School Corporation is as follows:

- 1) Any child that is five (5) years old on or before August 1 will be allowed to attend West Washington Elementary in the fall.
- 2) Those students who fit into the category (August 2-September 1) will be allowed in school as space is available.
- 3) They will be considered on a first come first served basis.
- 4) The school corporation superintendent will make the final determination.

Last update: January 2007

## REQUEST FOR WAIVER TO ATTEND KINDERGARTEN

I hereby request that the Superintendent grant my child
a waiver in order to attend kindergarten during the 2006-07 school year.
My child's date of birth is
Signature of parent or guardian
Address
Phone number
Date
ACTION TAKEN BY SUPERINTENDENT
Request for waiver is granted
Request for waiver is denied
Signature of Superintendent
Date

1 copy returned to elementary and 1 copy sent to parent by Central Office.

## Kindergarten Promotion/Retention Policy

One of the main objectives of West Washington Elementary and the State of Indiana is that all of our students will be able to read fluently by grade 3. The governor also signed into law in March 2010, House Bill 1367, that states if a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade student cannot pass the I-Read test in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, the school is required to retain the student in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade unless they have an IEP or they have been retained twice previously.

Research shows that students should have mastered certain skills at each grade level for them to be successful. Also, the state of Indiana has developed Reading standards that all schools in the state are required to teach. With that in mind, West Washington Elementary has developed a retention/promotion policy for all students in grades K-2.

Kindergarten students must master the following skills by the fourth nine weeks midterm to be considered for promotion to first grade. Any student that does not master these skills will be retained in kindergarten.

- 1) Recognize and name all capital and lower case letters of the alphabet.
- 2) Match all consonant sounds to the appropriate letters.
- 3) Listen to words and recognize individual sounds in words.
- 4) Read 80 % of the one syllable and high frequency words by sight from the list that has been developed by West Washington Elementary.

Students will be considered for retention if they have not mastered the following skills.

- 1) Listen to two or three phonemes when they are read aloud and tell the number of sounds heard, whether they are the same or different and the order.
- 2) Listen and say the changes in spoken syllables and words with two or three sounds when one sound is added, substituted, omitted, moved or repeated.
- 3) Listen and say consonant-vowel-consonant sounds and blend the sounds to make words.
- 4) Say rhyming words to an oral prompt.
- 5) Listen to one syllable words and tell the beginning or ending sounds.
- 6) Understand what is heard or seen by responding to questions who, what and where.
- 7) Identify characters, setting and important events in a story.
- 8) Understand and follow one and two step spoken directions.
- 9) Write using picture, letters and words.
- 10) Write phonetically spelled words and consonant-vowel-consonant words.
- 11) Draw pictures and write words for a specific reason.
- 12) Social interaction with other students.
- 13) Common Core Standards found at http://www.corestandards.org
- The decision to promote or retain a student with an IEP will be made through a case conference committee.
- Students will only be allowed to be retained one year in kindergarten.

## AGES 14 and 15 - Restricted to:

3 hours per day on a school day through Labor Day (time depends on local standards)

HOURS OF LABOR (URU)ER 18)

8 hours per week on a school week

8 hours per day on a nonschool day

40 hours per week on a nonschool week

AGE 16 - Restricted to:

40 hours per week

Ho work after 10 p.m. on a night followed hy a school day

Until 12 midnight on nights not followed by a school day

9 hours per day during summer vacation only

48 hours per week during summer vacation only

to work after 12 midnigh No work before 6 a.m.

No more than 6 working days per week

8 hours per day

AGE 17 - Restricted to:

40 hours per week. Ho work later than 11:30 p.m. on a night followed by

n school day.

Later than 11:30 on nights followed by

a school day, but not on consecutive nights nor more

than 2 nights per week.

9 hours per day during summer vacation only \*

48 hours per week during summer vacation only

Ho work before 6 a.m. Ho more than 6 working days per week

\* Requires written permission of parents on file with employer.

"No minor under the age of 18 may be employed in any occupation deemed prohibited under the child labor provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards A Minors age 18 and over and minors age 16 or 17 who have graduated or withdrawn from school, are not restricted to hours or days of week FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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