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5112 ENTRANCE AGE

The Board of Education shall establish entrance age requirements for pupils which are consistent with statute and sound educational practice and which insure the equitable treatment of all eligible children.

A. Kindergarten

Children reaching the age of five years on or before October first of any year will be eligible for kindergarten in the preceding September. Children reaching the age of five years after October first will not enter kindergarten until the following September.

B. First Grade

Children reaching the age of six years on or before October first of any year will be eligible for first grade in the preceding September. Children reaching the age of six years after October first will not enter first grade until the following September; exceptions to this policy may be made in unusual circumstances upon the agreement of the Child Study Team, the recommendations of the Superintendent.

C. Other Grades

Children who apply for admission to grades two through twelve on the basis of prior schooling outside the district will be placed initially on the grade level they have reached elsewhere. The school principal will determine subsequently whether there should be any change in the grade placement of the children.

D. From Other Schools

Pupils who seek entrance to Nutley kindergarten and/or first grade and who claim eligibility through transfer from other schools (private, parochial, or public) will be accepted only on the basis of age eligibility as stated above. Exceptions to this policy may be made in unusual circumstances upon the agreement of the Child Study Team, the recommendation of the Superintendent.



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E. Preschool Handicapped

A child is eligible on the date of his/her third birthday for entrance into a program of special education and has been found by the Child Study Team to be eligible for a program for the preschool educationally handicapped in accordance with rules of the State Board of Education.

N.J.S.A. 18A:36-19; 18A:38-5; 18A:38-6; 18A:44-1; 18A:44-2; 18A:46-6; 18A:46-6.1
N.J.A.C. 6:20-1.2; 6:28-1.1; 6:28-1.3; 6:28-3.2

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