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STUDENTS

Age Qualification of Attendance and Placement

Age of Admission

Attending the schools of the district shall be recognized as a right and responsibility for those who meet the requirements prescribed by law. Every resident of the district who satisfies the minimum entry age requirement and is less than twenty-one (21) years of age has the right to attend the district's schools until ~~he/she~~ they completes high school graduation requirements.

Children of age eight (8) and less than age eighteen (18) are required by law to attend an approved private or public school unless they are receiving approved home-based instruction. Under certain circumstances children who are at least sixteen (16) and less than eighteen (18) years of age may be excused from further attendance at school. The superintendent shall exercise ~~his/her~~ their authority to grant exceptions when ~~he/she~~ they determines that the student:

- A. Is regularly and lawfully employed; and
- B. Has permission of a parent; or
- C. Is emancipated pursuant to [Chapter 13.64 RCW](#); or
- D. Is subject to one of the other exceptions to compulsory attendance.

A resident student who has been granted an exception retains the right to enroll as a part-time student and shall be entitled to take any course, receive any ancillary services, and take or receive any combination of courses and ancillary services which is offered by a public school to full-time students.

Entrance Qualifications

To be admitted to kindergarten that commences in the fall of the year, a child must not be less than five (5) years of age prior to September 1 of that school year. To be admitted to the first grade that commences in the fall of the year, a child must be not less than six (6) years of age prior to September 1 of that school year. Any student not otherwise eligible for entry to the first grade who has successfully completed a state-approved public or private kindergarten program of 450 or more hours including instruction in the essential academic learning requirements and other subjects that the district determines are appropriate (i.e., language arts, arithmetic and reading) will be permitted entry into the first-grade. If necessary, the student may be placed in a temporary classroom assignment for the purposes of evaluation prior to making a final determination of the student's appropriate placement. Such determination shall be made by the principal of the appropriate elementary school no later than the thirtieth (30th) calendar day following the student's first day of attendance.

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Cross references:	Board Policy 3112	Withdrawal Prior to Graduation
	Board Policy 3113	<u>Admission of Students Aged Twenty-One or Older</u>
	Board Policy 3114	Part-time, Home-based or Off-campus Students
	Board Policy 3120 Board Policy 3122	Compulsory Attendance Attendance
Legal references:	RCW 28A.225.010	Attendance mandatory—Age—Exceptions
	RCW 28A.225.020	School's duties upon child's failure to attend school
	RCW 28A.225.160	Qualification for admission to district's schools—Fees for preadmission screening
	RCW 28A.225.220	<u>Adults, children from other districts, agreements for attending school—Tuition</u>
	WAC 392-134-010	Attendance rights of part-time public school students
	Chapter 392-137 WAC Chapter 392-335 WAC	Finance—nonresident attendance Pupils—Uniform entry qualifications

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