

NEW PROCEDURE



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STUDENTS

Qualification of Attendance and Placement

Entrance Qualifications

Pursuant to [Chapter 392-335 WAC](#) Everett Public Schools established the following procedure for Transitional Kindergarten. This allows children who appear to have the ability or need, or both, to enter kindergarten prior the fall of the year.

Application/Assessment Process

The [Transitional Kindergarten Interest Form](#) must be submitted by parent(s)/guardian(s) in the fall of the school year, prior to attending kindergarten programs that commence in September. The [Transitional Kindergarten Interest Form](#) and information about the Transitional Kindergarten Program is available on the [district website](#). **Proof of age and address will be required.**

In order to qualify for Transitional Kindergarten, students must meet the following requirements:

- Live in the Everett School District
- Be five years old by midnight on August 31 of the school year they will attend kindergarten
- Not currently be attending an early learning program
- Exhibit a need: academic, social emotional or other

A Transitional Kindergarten screening is required. It must include, but not be limited to, an individual screening in seven areas:

- (1) mental ability;
- (2) gross-motor skills;
- (3) fine-motor skills;
- (4) visual discrimination;
- (5) auditory discrimination;
- (6) social/emotional development; and
- (7) language development.

The district reserves the right to annually establish a fee to pay for the cost of the assessment noted above. Parent(s)/guardian(s) for whom the cost of an assessment as required by policy would cause undue hardship may request a reduction or exemption from fees.

Students to be assessed by district staff will proceed through the assessment sequence.

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Notification Process

Children determined eligible for Transitional Kindergarten will receive consideration for placement at one of the elementary schools offering the program. The Academics Office is responsible for notifying parents(s)/guardians(s) of placement in Transitional Kindergarten.

Cross reference: [Board Policy 3110](#) **Age Qualification of Attendance and Placement**

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