

# POLICY

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The Board of Education will admit to this district children otherwise eligible by law or Board policy who have attained the age requirements set by law and this Board of Education. The Board requires documentary verification of the age and birthdate of any child for whom admission to this district is sought.

#### Preschool Disabled

A child who will attain the age of three years is eligible for admission to a program of special education if he or she has been found by the child study team to be eligible for a program for the preschool disabled in accordance with rules of the State Board of Education.

#### Kindergarten

Any child who will reach the age of five years on or before October 1 is eligible to attend kindergarten.

#### First Grade

A child who will reach the age of six years on or before October 1 is eligible to enter first grade.

A child who will reach the age of six years on or after October 1, but on or before December 31, may be admitted to first grade for the upcoming school year if he or she:

- has completed a kindergarten program equivalent to the Old Bridge kindergarten program (equivalency shall be determined by Administration upon a review of the program); and ~~or~~



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- is recommended for advancement by his/her kindergarten teacher, based upon academic, social and emotional readiness; and/or

- successfully undergoes a first grade skills readiness assessment, via district administration of the easyCBM® assessment instrument by June 30 of the year in which admission is requested (except for the 2017-2018 school year, for which the deadline shall be July 31, 2017).

A child who will reach the age of six years on or after October 1, but on or before December 31, who transfers into the Old Bridge School District during the school year, will be placed in kindergarten on a trial basis, and may be promoted to first grade based upon the criteria set forth above and the judgment of the Old Bridge kindergarten teacher, Principal and Superintendent of the child's academic, social and emotional readiness for first grade.

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. 6A:14-3.3

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