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ENTRANCE AGE

Mandatory Kindergarten Attendance:

Effective July 1, 2010, all children must attend kindergarten prior to age seven.

Minimum Age Requirement:

Any child entering kindergarten must be at least five years of age on or before the first day of September.

Out-of-State Transfer Exception:

Any child who transfers from another state need not attend kindergarten if:

- (a) the child has successfully completed kindergarten in another state; or
- (b) the child has begun a continuous education program in another state (i.e., the child has completed first grade in another state, even if he/she never previously attended kindergarten).

Proof of Birth Required:

Proof of birth will be required through a birth certificate or an affidavit in lieu of a birth certificate issued by the Department of Health in cases where the original birth certificate is deemed unattainable.

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