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Section 23 of Senate Bill 405 required school boards to adopt an appeal procedure for the parent/guardian of a child who is younger than the minimum age to enroll in school as required in I.C. 20-33-2-7.

Franklin Community School Corporation

Early Entrance Procedure/Policy

School Entrance Age:

Students shall be five years of age on or before August 1 to attend kindergarten.

Students shall be six years of age on or before August 1 to attend first grade.

Parents of children who appear to be immature and who have not attended kindergarten shall be made aware of the advantages of a year of kindergarten training.

An exception to the beginning age policy may occur under the following conditions:

Underage first-grade pupils who have successfully completed nine weeks of first grade in another corporation where their parents were legal residents will be assigned to a first-grade section.

If the child is younger than five (5) years of age and the parent(s)/guardian(s) of the child wishes to enroll the child in the kindergarten program, they may request enrollment by making an application to the Superintendent or designee. Such applications should be made no later than thirty (30) days prior to the first day of school.

Upon receipt of any recommendations made by the principal and/or district administration, the Superintendent or designee will determine whether or not the child will be admitted to the kindergarten program.

In evaluating the early admission application, the Superintendent or designee will base his/her decision on the following:

- 1. Whether or not the child will be five (5) years of age on October 1 of the school year.**
 1. Any child wishing to enter kindergarten early must be five (5) years of age on or before October 1. If a child is not five (5) years before October 1, he/she may not appeal for early entrance to kindergarten.
- 2. Any and all information submitted by the parent(s)/guardian(s) of the child with the application.**
 1. Such information should include age equivalent scores and assessments of the following domains and areas of development: cognitive-motor skills (fine and gross) development, social/emotional adaptive behavior, academic readiness skills, perceptual development, and physical development. The Superintendent or designee shall not make his/her determination based upon only one single test score.
- 3. Whether or not there is space available in the kindergarten program at the school which the child will attend.**
 1. In determining the availability of space, the Superintendent or designee may consider whether the admittance of the child will cause the school's teacher-pupil ratio to be exceeded.
 - a. If there are more applicants than the number of spaces available and it is determined that an excess number of applicants qualify for early entrance, the determining factor for acceptance shall be the birth dates closest to the August 1 cutoff date. These children will be admitted to the kindergarten program first.
- 4. Whether early entrance is in the best interest of the child.**
 1. A child entering the school corporation from an out-of-state kindergarten program (public or private) or an in-state kindergarten program (public or private) who does not meet the Indiana age eligibility requirements should be admitted to the kindergarten program unless it can be determined that enrollment in such a program was intended to circumvent Indiana Law.

The Superintendent or designee shall advise the parent(s) of his/her action in writing and send it to them via mail.

Submit all requests to:
Franklin Community School Corporation
Attention: Sue Ann Kruger
998 Grizzly Cub Drive Franklin, IN. 46131
Fax: 317-738-5800
Email: krugers@franklinschools.org



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2024-2025 Kindergarten Early Entrance Application

Name of Child _____ Birth Date _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ Phone _____

Name of preschool attended _____ Teacher _____

Address of preschool attended _____

Please attach the preschool teacher's assessment and recommendation for early entrance.

Attach evidence of age equivalent scores and assessments of the following domains and areas of development: cognitive-motor skills (fine and gross) development, social/emotional adaptive behavior, academic readiness skills, perceptual development, and physical development.

Names and dates of standard measurement assessment used _____

Names/addresses of institution and individuals administering evaluations _____

Other reasons and justification for early entrance (attach additional pages)

(For Office Use Only) Date Received: _____