

SENECA VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: ADMISSION OF STUDENTS

ADOPTED:

REVISED: April 11, 2005

<p>1. Authority SC 1301</p> <p>2. Guidelines SC 1304, 1326</p> <p>Title 22 Sec. 11.15 SC 1304</p> <p>Title 22 Sec. 11.16</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">201. ADMISSION OF STUDENTS</p> <p>The Board shall establish age requirements for the admission of beginning students which are consistent with statute and sound educational practice and which ensure the equitable treatment of all eligible children.</p> <p><u>First Grade</u></p> <p>Beginners are students entering the lowest grade of the primary school above the kindergarten level. They shall be admitted to school only during the first two (2) weeks of the annual school term, except that a child who is eight (8) years of age may begin school at any time during the school year.</p> <p>A beginner is eligible for admission to the lowest grade of the primary school above the kindergarten level if s/he has attained the age of six (6) years on or before September 1.</p> <p>A child who has satisfactorily completed an approved kindergarten program other than that of the Seneca Valley School District and whose chronological age is less than the minimum age for entrance as a first grader, as of the admission period of the school district's term, may be admitted as a first grader in the district.</p> <p>A child who has been enrolled in a first grade program in another school system may enter the elementary schools of the district provided the parent(s)/guardian(s) become residents.</p> <p><u>Early Admission To First Grade</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All requests for early admission must be made prior to August 1 of the year of enrollment. 2. Residents who enter the district during the month of August may request early admission prior to the first day of school.
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<p>Title 22 Sec. 11.14</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none">3. Chronological age must be six (6) years of age prior to December 1 of the year of enrollment.4. The child must obtain a score on an individual intelligence test which falls at least two (2) standard deviations above the mean. The intelligence assessment will be conducted by the district psychologist.5. Physical, social, and emotional maturity must be adequate to function satisfactorily in a first grade program.6. A recommendation for approval for early admission will be made by the building principal and the district psychologist. Recommendations for early admission will be forwarded to the Superintendent and Board for final approval. <p><u>Kindergarten</u></p> <p>A child is eligible for admission to kindergarten if s/he has attained the age of five (5) years on or before September 1.</p> <p>A child who has been enrolled in a kindergarten program in another school district may enter the kindergarten program of the Seneca Valley School District provided the parent(s)/guardian(s) are or shall become residents.</p> <p>Parents/Guardians who are interested in entering their children to kindergarten at an age earlier than the adopted policy for entry may request early admission by contacting the appropriate building principal who shall forward the request to the school psychologist.</p> <p><u>Early Admission To Kindergarten</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. All requests for early admission must be made prior to August 1 of the year of enrollment.2. Residents who enter the district during the month of August may request early admission prior to the first day of school.3. Chronological age must be five (5) years of age prior to December 1 of the year of enrollment.4. The child must obtain a score on an individual intelligence test which falls at least two (2) standard deviations above the mean. The intelligence assessment will be conducted by the district psychologist.
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<p>3. Delegation of Responsibility Pol. 203</p> <p>School Code 1301, 1304, 1326, 1925</p> <p>PA Code Title 22 Sec. 11.14 et seq, 11.15, 11.16</p> <p>Opinion, Attorney General 71 Op. A.G. 74</p>	<p>5. Physical, social, and emotional maturity must be adequate to function satisfactorily in a kindergarten program.</p> <p>6. A recommendation for approval for early admission will be made by the building principal and the district psychologist. Recommendations for early admission will be forwarded to the Superintendent and Board for final approval.</p> <p>The Superintendent shall require that each student who registers for entrance to school exhibit his/her birth certificate or similar documentation as proof age and birthdate, along with proof of required immunizations.</p> <p>These immunization requirements shall not apply in the following circumstances:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Students need not be immunized if a physician provides a written statement that immunization may be detrimental to the health of the student. When the physician determines that immunization is no longer detrimental to the health of the student, the student shall be required to comply with the immunization requirements to continue his/her enrollment.2. Students need not be immunized if the parent/guardian or emancipated student objects in writing to the immunization on religious grounds or on the basis of a strong moral or ethical conviction similar to a religious belief.
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