

KINDERGARTEN AND GRADE ONE PLACEMENT

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A child who has reached their sixth birthday on or before September 30 of any school year may attend grade one in the Alexandria City Public Schools upon promotion from kindergarten. A parent or guardian of a child who reaches their sixth birthday after September 30 of the school year but on or before December 31 and who attended kindergarten in a school setting outside Alexandria City Public Schools may petition the principal of the school which the child would attend. The principal will place the child in grade one conditional upon a six-week observation period to determine if grade one is an appropriate placement for the child. The grade one teacher will be responsible for documenting behaviors during the observational period and will recommend to the principal that the child is appropriately or inappropriately placed in the grade one classroom. The final decision on the child’s grade one placement will rest with the principal of the school.

A child who has reached their sixth birthday on or before September 30 and who has not attended a kindergarten program, may attend grade one with a possible observation period as described above to determine appropriate grade level placement for the child.

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