

Entrance Age Requirements

A child may enter kindergarten or enroll in the first grade if they are five years old on or before October 1 of the year of enrollment. Younger students who do not meet the district's entrance age requirement for kindergarten may be accepted if transferring from another kindergarten program if the principal or designee determines that placement of the student in kindergarten is appropriate. A child who is four years old on or before the district's start date for kindergarten and has been identified as a highly advanced gifted student in accordance with applicable state law may enroll in kindergarten, if the principal or designee determines that placement of the student in kindergarten is appropriate.

A child may enroll in the first grade if they are six years old on or before October 1 of the year of enrollment. Younger students who do not meet the district's entrance age requirement for the first grade may be accepted if transferring from the first grade in another school or if they are determined by the district to be highly advanced gifted children.

A legal birth certificate or other acceptable record is required for enrollment age certification. The principal or designee will make exceptions to these entrance age requirements in accordance with state law pertaining to the education of military children.

Adopted: July 25, 1978
Revised: August 22, 1995
Revised: November 27, 2007
Revised: April 14, 2009
Revised: December 11, 2012
Revised: December 14, 2020
Revised: September 8, 2021

LEGAL REFS.: C.R.S. 22-1-115 (*school age*)
C.R.S. 22-20-204 (*program plan requirements regarding highly advanced gifted children*)
C.R.S. 22-32-119 (*kindergarten*)
C.R.S. 22-33-104 (1)(a) (*Compulsory School Attendance Law requiring attendance for children aged 6 through 16 as of August 1*)
C.R.S. 22-54-103(10) (*sets October 1 date*)
C.R.S. 24-60-3402 (*Interstate Compact on Education Opportunity for Military Children*)

CROSS REFS.: JEA, Compulsory Attendance Ages

Garfield School District No. Re-2, Rifle, Colorado

File: JEB