



APPLICATION (Madison Residents Only) Early Entrance to 5-Year-Old Kindergarten

(Acceptance of applications begins in *March (no earlier)* of a given school year. All applications must be received *prior* to August 1 of a given school year. There are no exceptions to the August 1 deadline.**) All applications approved and processed through the Department of Early Learning only.**

As the Madison Metropolitan School District (MMSD) Board of Education policy (4011) indicates, children must be five years of age on or before September 1 to attend five-year-old kindergarten. The only exceptions are:

- Students who turn five-years-old between September 2 and October 15. **Applicants must submit verification of the student's birth date (birth certificate or medical record)**. Such students will only be considered for early entrance into five-year-old kindergarten upon parent/guardian request.

ASSESSMENT NOTICE (OPTIONAL/NOT REQUIRED): **This is the only criteria for early entrance to Kindergarten for which students may be assessed, unless otherwise determined by MMSD staff early entrance authority. Assessment for this criteria is *optional and not required*. It is provided to families as a piece of information about the student for which the application has been submitted.**

- Students who have completed a **formal** four-year-old kindergarten program. (See the **Early Entrance** webpage for specific requirements and additional information.)
- Students who were admitted into five-year-old kindergarten in another public school district prior to moving into the Madison Metropolitan School District. Applicants must provide verification of enrollment and actual attendance in five-year-old kindergarten.

NOTICE: To request early entrance into five-year-old kindergarten parents/guardians MUST complete this application and submit all required verifications/documents with the application. Requests must be received by August 1. No applications will be accepted/approved after August 1st.

Child's Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Check One: Birth certificate included ____ Medical Record included ____
(include with application)

MMSD School of Residence: _____

Parent Name(s): _____

Child's Address: _____

Phone(s): _____

Email(s): _____

Criteria 1)

Will your child be five years old on or before September 1? ____ Yes; ____ No (If you answered no, **one** exception below may apply.)

If your child will not be five years old on or before September 1, will your child turn five years old between September 2 and October 15?

____ Yes; ____ No

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Please read the following statement carefully: Would you like your child to complete a psycho-educational assessment? **(If you mark yes, you understand that this is NOT REQUIRED and that you are choosing to have your child assessed by a school psychologist.)**

_____ Yes; _____ No (Provide results in: _____ Spanish _____ Hmong)

(Requests for assessment received by May 15 will be performed by the school psychologist in your attendance area school. Requests for assessment received between May 16 and August 1 will be performed after August 1. You will be contacted over the summer to schedule an appointment with a district psychologist. **No assessments are conducted when school is not in session except through this process.**)

Criteria 2)

Has your child successfully completed a ***formal*** four-year-old kindergarten program (see detailed requirements for this exception on Early Entrance webpage)? _____Yes _____No

Criteria 3)

Was your child admitted into five-year-old kindergarten in another District? (If yes, verification of enrollment and attendance required.)

_____Yes _____No

Name of Program/School District of attendance for five-year-old kindergarten (if applicable): _____

Address: _____
(Street City, State, Zip Code)

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Parent Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Submit completed form ELECTRONICALLY to: early.learning@madison.k12.wi.us.
Call (608) 663-5211 with questions.

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