

APPLICATION (Madison Residents Only) Early Entrance to First Grade

(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 deadline of August 1**) Applications approved and processed by the Department of Early Learning only.**

As the Board of Education policy (4011) indicates, children must be six years of age on or before September 1 AND have successfully completed a five-year-old kindergarten to enroll in first grade. For students born after September 1, the only exceptions are:

- Students who were admitted into first grade in another public school district prior to moving into the Madison Metropolitan School District. Applicants must provide verification of enrollment and actual attendance in first grade.
- Students who attended AND successfully completed a five-year-old kindergarten program. Applicants must provide verification of enrollment in a five-year-old kindergarten program and an end-of-the-year report card from the previous school showing successful completion.

For students born on or before September 1 but who have not completed a five-year-old- kindergarten program, the only exceptions are:

- Students who have moved from another state where there is not a prerequisite to complete a five-year-old kindergarten. Applicants must provide verification of residence in former state - a utility bill, or copy of lease or mortgage.
- Students who were exempted from a five-year-old kindergarten from another state. Applicants must provide official documentation of the exemption.
- Students who attended AND successfully completed a five-year-old kindergarten program at a private school or licensed day care center that MMSD deems equivalent to a public school five-year-old kindergarten program. Applicants must provide verification of enrollment in a five-year-old kindergarten program and an end of the year report card from the previous school showing successful completion.
- Students who demonstrate satisfactory completion of a preliminary student assessment using a standardized assessment.

Completion of psycho-educational assessment administered by a school psychologist, with regard to above criteria, is determined by MMSD staff early entrance authority.

Child's Name: _____ **Date of Birth:** _____

MMSD School of Residence: _____

Parent Name(s): _____

Child's Address: _____

Phone(s): _____

Email(s): _____

Birth Date After September 1:

1. Will your child be six years old on or before September 1? _____Yes;_____No

2. Was your child admitted into first grade in another district? _____Yes;_____No

Name of Program/School District of attendance (if applicable):

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

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Name of teacher: _____

3. Has your child successfully completed a five-year-old kindergarten program? _____Yes; _____No (if yes, see verification requirements above)

If YES, was the program at _____public school,_____private school or _____licensed day care?

Birth Date on or Before September 1/Have Not Completed a Kindergarten Program in a WI public school

1. Was your child exempted from Kindergarten attendance in another state? _____Yes;_____No (if yes, provide official documentation of the exemption)

2. Did you recently move from another state in which Kindergarten was not a prerequisite to first grade attendance?_____Yes;_____No (if yes, provide verification of residence in former state)

3. Has your child successfully completed a five-year-old Kindergarten program? _____Yes;_____No (if yes, see verification requirements above)

If YES, was the program at a _____private school or _____licensed day care?

Parent Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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