

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT KINDERGARTEN

	Question	Answer	Citation
1.	Are school districts required to offer the kindergarten program?	Yes. The board of trustees of each school district shall establish and maintain one or more kindergartens for the training of children residing in the district who are at least five years of age on September 1 of the school year.	TEC §29.151
2.	What is the criteria a child must meet to be eligible to attend a kindergarten program?	A child must be at least five years of age on September 1 of the school year.	TEC §29.151
3.	What documents are considered acceptable for proof of identification and age?	The documents considered acceptable for proof of identification and age are: 1. Birth certificate; 2. Passport; 3. School ID card, records, or report card; 4. Military ID; 5. Hospital birth record; 6. Adoption records; 7. Church baptismal record; or 8. Any other legal document that establishes identity.	SAAH, Section 3, 3.3
4.	Can school districts offer full-day or half-day kindergarten programs?	A public school kindergarten may be operated on a half-day or a full-day basis at the option of the board of trustees of the school district.	TEC §29.152