

# ***Saucon Valley School District***

## Policy

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Title – 201 Admission of Students

Section – Pupils

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## Content

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### AUTHORITY

The Board shall establish age requirements for the admission of beginning students which are consistent with law and regulations.

The Superintendent or designee shall require that the parent/guardian of each student who registers for entrance to school shall submit proof of age, residency, and required immunizations.

### GUIDELINES

#### First Grade

Beginners are students entering the lowest grade of the primary school above the kindergarten level. They shall be admitted to school only during the first two (2) weeks of the annual school term, except that a child who is eight (8) years of age may begin school at any time during the school year.

A child is eligible for admission to first grade if s/he is not less than six (6) years old on or before September 1.

The Board may admit as a beginner a child who is less than (6) years old and demonstrates readiness for entry by the first day of the school term, upon the written request of the parent/guardian, recommendation of the school psychologist, and approval of the Superintendent.

The Board is not required to admit as a beginner any child whose age is less than the district's established admission age for beginners.

#### Kindergarten

A child is eligible for admission to kindergarten if s/he is not less than five (5) years of age on or before September 1.

The Superintendent may make exceptions to the September 1 deadline within a thirty day grace period, not to exceed October 1. The Superintendent, in conjunction with elementary administration and other key personnel, reserves the right to certify school readiness through screening procedures and other criteria for any child seeking admission with a birth date within the grace period.

#### References:

School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 503, 1301, 1304, 1326

State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 4.41, 11.12, 11.14, 11.15, 11.16, 11.41

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