

**ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES OF THE
MILWAUKEE PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY 8.08
ENTRANCE AGE

GENERAL

(1) Children more than four and not more than 20 years of age whose parents or legal guardians are residents of the City of Milwaukee may attend the public schools, subject to the provisions of this policy.

(2) All children ages three to 21 who have special educational needs shall be admitted to the Milwaukee Public Schools upon the request of a parent.

(3) Special exceptions may be made to these age limitations to conform to certain requirements of law and to admit children to primary school prior to the time at which they reach the prescribed age, provided they meet certain criteria established by the Administration.

KINDERGARTEN

Children entering kindergarten for the first time must meet the age requirements established by law. A child entering kindergarten must be four years old on or before September 1 of the year in which the child enters. The enrollment of all such eligible children should be completed during the first 10 school days of the school year. Children may be admitted after this date under extenuating circumstances if authorized by the Director of the Division of Student Services.

THREE- AND FOUR-YEAR-OLD KINDERGARTEN

In addition to the regular kindergarten program, the Board may establish three- and four-year-old kindergarten programs at selected locations. The establishment of any such program shall be in keeping with budgetary limitations and the needs of the community.

- (1) A child entering the three-year-old kindergarten program must be three years of age on or before September 1.
- (2) A child entering the four-year-old kindergarten program must be four years of age on or before September 1.
- (3) A birth certificate must be shown at the time of application/registration on order to verify the child's birth date. Parents will be notified by mail of their child's acceptance into the program.

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8.09 Early Admission

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