

# SOUTHERN FULTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: ADMISSION OF STUDENTS

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201. ADMISSION OF STUDENTS	
<p>1. Authority SC 1301 Title 22 Sec. 11.12, 11.41</p>	<p>The Board shall establish age requirements for the admission of beginning students which are consistent with law and regulations.</p>
<p>2. Guidelines  SC 1304, 1326</p>	<p><u>First Grade</u></p> <p><b>Beginners</b> are students entering the lowest grade of the primary school above the kindergarten level. Beginners shall be admitted to school only during the first two (2) weeks of the annual school term and thereafter at the district's discretion. A child eight (8) years of age shall be admitted to school at any time during the school year.</p>
<p>SC 1304 Title 22 Sec. 11.15</p>	<p>A beginner is eligible for admission to first grade if s/he is at least six (6) years and no months old before the first day of the school term.</p>
<p>Title 22 Sec. 11.16</p>	<p>The Board may admit as a beginner a child who is five (5) 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.</p>
<p>Title 22 Sec. 11.16</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>Title 22 Sec. 11.14</p>	<p><u>Kindergarten</u></p> <p>A child is eligible for admission to kindergarten if s/he has attained the age of five (5) years and no months old before the first day of the school term.</p>

<p>3. Delegation of Responsibility Pol. 200, 203</p>	<p><u>Exceptions</u></p> <p>The following exceptions to this policy may be brought to the administration:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Those students having already attended a full year of school in another district will be considered for placement in the next grade level regardless of age.</li><li>2. If a parent/guardian feels that they have an exceptionally talented child that may benefit from early admission to the school district, the parent/guardian must make the request, in writing, to the principal before the start of the school year. A test battery will be given and a multidisciplinary team, composed of the principal, reading specialist and/or guidance counselor will convene to evaluate all the results. The decision of the team will be final.</li></ol> <p>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.</p> <p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 503, 1301, 1304, 1326</p> <p>State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 4.41, 11.12, 11.14, 11.15, 11.16, 11.41</p> <p>Board Policy – 200, 203</p>
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