

MORRISVILLE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION

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201-AR-1. EARLY ADMISSION OF STUDENTS

A child who does not meet the established age requirements until after the beginning of the school term may be admitted to kindergarten or first grade upon the written request of the parents/guardians.

The procedures for early admission to kindergarten and first grade are as follows:

1. Parents/Guardians must submit a written request by May 1 to the Superintendent or designee requesting early admission.
2. The Superintendent or designee will forward the request to the appropriate central office administrator, building principal and counselor.
3. The counselor will administer a specified battery of tests and determine, by other subjective or objective techniques, the mental capacity; emotional stability; social maturity; and physical readiness for the school program.
4. Based on the results of those tests, the counselor will recommend whether further testing should be conducted with the district psychologist.
5. The district psychologist will review the counselor's recommendation and, if necessary, schedule further testing.
6. The psychologist and principal will review the results of the testing and the psychologist's report to determine if:
 - a. The child exhibits the development of motor skills and perceptual skills at an age equivalency of five (5) years or higher for kindergarten and at an age equivalency of six (6) years or higher for first grade.
 - b. The child has developed appropriate social and emotional skills.
 - c. A recommendation for admission of the child as an early entrant can be supported.
7. The building principal, school counselor and/or district psychologist will schedule a conference with the parents/guardians to discuss the results of the testing and the district's recommendation.

8. The Superintendent will approve or disapprove in writing the recommendation for a child's early admission or nonadmission to kindergarten or first grade and submit such to the Board for its approval.
9. The Superintendent or designee will notify the parents/guardians in writing of the Board's final decision to allow or deny the child's early admission to school.