Jim Thorpe Area School District

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Authority

The Board shall establish age requirements for the admission of students **to first grade and to kindergarten that are consistent with state law and regulations**.[1][2][3]

Guidelines

First Grade

Beginners are students entering the lowest grade of the primary school above the kindergarten level. **The Board establishes the district's entry age for** beginners **as** six (6) years **by** September 1**, in accordance with state law and regulations**.[4][5][6]

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 district psychologist, and approval of the Superintendent.[7]

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**.[7]

Kindergarten

The Board establishes the district's entry age for kindergarten **as** five (5) years **by** September 1, **in accordance with state law and regulations**.[8]

Delegation of Responsibility

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.[9][10]