



River Forest
Public Schools

River Forest District 90 Early Entrance and Delayed Enrollment (First Grade)

Board Policy 7:50 addresses age of school admissions including consideration for those students seeking early entrance to Kindergarten or First Grade. In cases where early entrance/acceleration is a consideration, the District will use a framework for assessment and decision making based on the Iowa Acceleration Scale. The assessments include the recommended ability, aptitude and achievement assessments recommended as part of the Iowa Acceleration Scale. This includes an assessment of social development and school readiness skills that seek to include input from parents and appropriate staff members. Requests for acceleration should be directed to the building principal based on a child's anticipated attendance center (Lincoln or Willard). Requests for consideration should be brought to the principal's attention on or before May 31 of the school year prior to anticipated enrollment.

Board Policy 7:50 also indicates that, effective 7/1/19, a child who is 6 years old on or before September 1 of the current school year must attend first grade, unless the child's IEP team or Section 504 team determines a different grade placement. A parent/guardian may request that this requirement be waived. If a parent/guardian makes this request, the school principal shall facilitate an assessment of the child's academic and developmental levels and take into consideration the nature of any kindergarten curriculum to which he or she has already been exposed. The principal shall make the final decision concerning appropriate grade level placement for the child.

References:

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