

<p><b>TUCSON UNIFIED</b> SCHOOL DISTRICT</p> <p><b>GOVERNING BOARD POLICY</b></p>	<p><b>REGULATION TITLE:</b></p> <p>Entrance Age Requirements</p>
	<p><b>REGULATION CODE:</b> JEB-R</p>

**Entrance Age for Kindergarten and First Grade**

TUSD Policy JEB *Entrance Age Requirements*, and Arizona law state that a child is eligible for Kindergarten enrollment if the child reaches the age of five before September 1 of the current school year. [A.R.S. 15-821\(C\)](#).

For admission to Kindergarten, children must be five years of age prior to September 1 of the current school year.

Children may be admitted to first grade who are six years of age, or shall be deemed six years of age if they reach such age prior to September 1 of the current school year.

Exceptions to Kindergarten and first grade admissions will only be made by the Superintendent or designee and shall be consistent with state law.

**Determining Competency for Entrance to High School**

Upon request for admission to high school, a student who has not obtained an eighth-grade certificate of promotion and is under sixteen (16) years of age must show competency in the standards of reading, writing, mathematics, science, and social studies as adopted by the State Board of Education and as determined by a District assessment instrument. The assessment instrument will be based upon the standards adopted by the State Board of Education and TUSD. The instrument will be prepared or selected by, and the result will be verified by, a certificated person chosen by the Superintendent or designee.

**CROSS REF:**

[Policy JEB Entrance Age Requirements](#)

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