KINDERGARTEN EARLY ADMISSION PROCEDURES
2023 - 2024

1. Only students who currently reside in the Caesar Rodney School District and have reached age five (5) by September 30th may be considered for early admission to kindergarten.

2. Parent(s)/Guardian(s) must submit a written request for early admission. The written request needs to include rationale to support early enrollment and reasons why your child may qualify as talented and gifted. A signed copy of this form and the completed packet should be sent no later than August 1st to:

   Division of Instruction, 7 Front Street, Wyoming, DE 19934

3. An official copy of the child’s birth certificate.

4. Mortgage, lease or rental agreement with parent/guardian’s name and address showing proof of residency. (No Post Office boxes, driver’s license, phone bills, cable bills or utility bills will be accepted as proof of residency.)

5. A copy of the parent’s driver's license.

6. Additionally, documentation regarding the student’s involvement and success in a structured social setting (preschool, Head Start, Sunday School, etc.) must be provided. See below.* Parent(s)/Guardian(s) will be contacted by telephone to set up a date and time for the early admission evaluation. Testing will be administered by trained staff. Parent(s)/Guardian(s) will be accommodated in a separate area while the screening is conducted.

7. Qualification for early admission is a two part screening process.
   - First, the student must score a total percentile rank of 94 on the DIAL screening tool. Test scores are not subject to appeal. Retesting will not take place.
   - Should the child score at the 94th percentile or above on the DIAL, further evaluation by a school psychologist will be scheduled. Test scores are not subject to appeal. Retesting will not take place.

8. The decision for early admission is based on evaluation results. Should a student be chosen for Early Enrollment, the student will attend a full day kindergarten class at the McIlvaine Early Childhood Center for off-base school children and Welch Elementary for on-base school children.

9. A letter including test results and an enrollment decision will normally be sent to the Parent(s)/Guardians within seven (7) business days following completion of the evaluation.

   The above procedures have been read and understood. I am enclosing a written request for early admission. My request contains *(1) documentation of my child’s involvement – indicating the location, length of time in attendance, activities of service and a statement attesting to the level of interaction and maturity – in a socialized setting (i.e., preschool, Headstart, Sunday School, etc.), and (2) reasons why I believe my child may qualify as talented and gifted.

   ________________________________  ________________________________
   Child’s Full Name                  Date of Birth

   ________________________________  ________________________________
   Parent/Guardian Signature         Date

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   Mailing Address                  City  State  Zip

   Phone#                           Email

   Revised 3/2/23

   Date Recv’d by Instruction Div.