

ENTRANCE AGE REQUIREMENTS

The Entrance Policy of the Somersworth School District must support and be consistent with the District's developmental educational philosophy, and it must treat all entering students fairly.

I. Statement of Policy.

A pupil may enter kindergarten if the chronological age will be five on or before September 30 of the year of entering school.

A pupil shall be required to enter grade one if the chronological age will be six on or before September 30 of the year of entering school RSA 193:1.

A birth certificate must be presented upon registration as proof of the date of birth. Proof of residency and appropriate health records must also be provided.

In-coming transfer students in grades 2-12 inclusive will be initially placed in accordance with the data forwarded by the sending district. Such placement is tentative and subject to reassignment by the Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee, based on the needs of the student (and other children in the system),

In-coming transfer students in grade 1 will only be initially admitted to grade 1 if their chronological age was or will be six on or before September 30th of the school year of entering school or if previously in attendance in grade 1 in another community. Such placement is tentative and subject to reassignment by the Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee, based on the needs of the student (and other children in the system). RSA 110-D contains various provisions and obligations school districts must follow when children of military families enroll in the school district.

Legal References:

RSA 193:1, Duty of Parent, Compulsory Attendance by Pupil

RSA 193:12, II Legal Residence Required

RSA110-D, Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunities for Military Children

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