

Birch Grove Community School Charter School District #4145

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EARLY ADMISSION POLICY

I. PURPOSE

This policy is to set forth the early admission procedure.

II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

- A. Students entering kindergarten in the fall must be five years old on or before September 1 of that particular school year. A child whose birth date falls between September 2 and December 31 may apply for early admission.
- B. A conference meeting with the family, student and school director is required prior to consideration for early admission.
- C. The parents will complete and submit the Early Admission Request forms.
- D. Recommendation from the child's current preschool setting specifically asking for feedback about the social and academic skill level of the child. May include an interview/visit with the preschool provider.
- E. Birch Grove Community School's Kindergarten teacher will assess for Kindergarten readiness aligning with Minnesota state Kindergarten expectations.
- F. The family will be required to independently complete a psychological assessment that demonstrates school readiness. This testing needs to include at least one standardized intelligence test, one parent observational survey and one social/emotional psychometric evaluation.
- G. Upon completion of assessments and information, a meeting with stakeholders will be held to determine a recommendation regarding early admission.
- H. Upon early admission into Kindergarten, the expectation for the child is to complete Kindergarten and go on to the first grade the following year. However, if this child does not adjust to school, the director may recommend that the family withdraw their child. The child would then re-enroll in school at the regular age/time.