## EARLY ADMISSION TO KINDERGARTEN AND GRADE ONE

Effective January 4, 1999, a child must have attained the age of six by September 30 in order to attend first grade in the Merrimack School District. This is in accordance with RSA 193:1 II Duty of Parent; Compulsory Attendance by Pupil (effective January 1, 1998).

Any child, however, whose sixth birthday falls on or between October 1<sup>st</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup> may be eligible for first grade entrance. Such a determination of eligibility will be made by the Superintendent in consultation with the building principal.

Any child whose fifth birthday falls on or between October 1<sup>st</sup> and October 31<sup>st</sup> may be eligible for kindergarten entrance. Such a determination of eligibility will be made by the Superintendent in consultation with the building principal.

## **Legal Reference:**

RSA 193:1 II Duty of Parent; Compulsory Attendance by Pupil (pertains to first grade only)

## Revision

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