

Ready for Kindergarten?

Recent legislation has changed the entry age.

The entry age will be gradually changed to require children to be 5 years old by September 1st rather than the current cutoff date of December 1st.

State of Michigan: Act. No. 198
Effective 6/26/12

2013-14 School Year

A child who resides in a public school district or public school academy providing kindergarten may enroll if the child is at least 5 years of age on **NOVEMBER 1, 2013.**

2014-15 School Year

A child who resides in a public school district or public school academy providing kindergarten may enroll if the child is at least 5 years of age on **OCTOBER 1, 2014.**

2015-16 School Year

A child who resides in a public school district or public school academy providing kindergarten may enroll if the child is at least 5 years of age on **SEPTEMBER 1, 2015.**

If the child is not age eligible for kindergarten enrollment per the guidelines specified above, but will be five years old by December 1st, the child's parent or legal guardian must notify the school district. Parent or legal guardian retains the sole discretion to enroll their child in kindergarten through use of a waiver that must be submitted to the local school district by June 1st. Please contact your local school district for more information.



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QUESTIONS: Contact your local school district

Alanson Public ▪ Beaver Island Community ▪ Boyne City Public ▪ Boyne Falls Public
Central Lake Public ▪ Charlevoix Public ▪ Concord Academy Boyne ▪ Concord Academy Petoskey
East Jordan Public ▪ Ellsworth Community ▪ Harbor Springs Public ▪ Northwest Academy
Pellston Public ▪ Public Schools of Petoskey ▪ and non-public schools