

MOON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: ADMISSION OF BEGINNERS

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<p>1. Authority SC 1301 Title 22 Sec. 11.12, 11.41</p> <p>2. Guidelines SC 1304, 1326</p> <p>SC 1304 Title 22 Sec. 11.15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">201. ADMISSION OF BEGINNERS</p> <p>The Board shall establish age requirements for the admission of beginners which are consistent with statute and sound educational practice and which ensure the equitable treatment of all eligible children.</p> <p><u>Beginners</u></p> <p>Beginners are children entering the lowest grade of the primary school above the kindergarten level. They shall be admitted to school only during the first two (2) weeks of the annual school term except that a child who is eight (8) years of age may begin school at any time during the school year.</p> <p>To be eligible for admittance into the first grade program, a child must be five (5) years eleven (11) months old by September 1 of the school year in which the parent/guardian desires to have the child enrolled. The only exceptions to this policy will be:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Children who are five (5) years eleven (11) months old after September 1, and who are five (5) years eleven (11) months old at the time of the transfer, and whose parents/guardians currently reside within the Moon Area School District if the children have previously been in continuous attendance in a state approved first grade of a public, private or parochial school because of a different domicile outside the Moon Area School District. 2. Children who are not yet five (5) years eleven (11) months old at the time of transfer, and whose parents/guardians currently reside within the Moon Area School District shall be transferred into the first grade of the Moon Area School District Public Schools if the children have previously met the entrance age requirements of another public school district, and if the children have been in continuous attendance in a state approved first grade of that public school district because of a different domicile outside of the Moon Area School District.
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<p>4. Guidelines SC 1301, 1302 Title 22 Sec. 11.11, 12.1</p> <p>SC 1301, 1302, 1303a, 1304-A Title 22 Sec. 11.11</p> <p>Title 22 Sec. 11.11 Pol. 138</p> <p>Title 22 Sec. 11.11</p> <p>Title 22 Sec. 11.11</p> <p>Pol. 202</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. A baptismal certificate indicating date of birth, together with a notarized statement from parent/guardian attesting to the accuracy of the certificate. 3. A certified copy of entrance into the United States showing the date of birth of the child, along with a notarized statement from the parent/guardian attesting to the date of birth. 4. Such other evidence as the family Bible record, insurance policy or previous school record showing date of birth of the child, along with a sworn notarized statement from parent/guardian attesting to the date of birth. 5. If none of the above are available, an affidavit of age sworn by the parent/guardian and accompanied by a certificate of age from a public health officer or public school physician or, in their absence, a licensed practicing physician. <p>School age resident students and eligible nonresident students shall be entitled to attend district schools.</p> <p>The district shall not enroll a student until the parent/guardian has submitted proof of the student's age, residence, and immunizations and a completed Parental Registration Statement, as required by law and regulations.</p> <p>The district shall administer a home language survey to all students enrolling in district schools for the first time.</p> <p>The district shall normally enroll a school age, eligible student the next business day, but no later than five (5) business days after application.</p> <p>The district shall immediately enroll identified homeless students, even if the student or parent/guardian is unable to produce the required documents.</p> <p>The district shall not inquire about the immigration status of a student as part of the enrollment process.</p> <p>Enrollment requirements and administrative regulations shall apply to nonresident students approved to attend district schools, in accordance with Board policy.</p>
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References:

School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 503, 1301, 1304, 1326

State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 4.41, 11.12, 11.14,
11.15, 11.16, 11.41

Board Policy – 138, 201, 202