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Any child shall be eligible for admission to kindergarten if he/she has attained the age of five (5) years on or before September 2 of the school year.* However, a child who transfers from another state shall be admitted under the same age requirements as established in the state where he/she previously resided. Before admitting a child to kindergarten, the principal shall require evidence of

1. The child's date of birth documented in the manner provided by Alabama statutes; and
1. An up-to-date immunization record.

*An opinion of the Attorney General states in effect that under the common law one's age is computed by including the day of birth so that a given age is obtained the day before the birthday anniversary. Therefore, a child whose sixth birthday falls on September 2 is entitled to attend the public elementary schools at the opening of school for that school year. A child whose fifth birthday falls on September 2 is entitled to attend kindergarten.

REFERENCE(S):

CODE OF ALABAMA

16-11-16, 16-28-3, AAC §290-5-1-.01(3)

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