



## Early Entrance to First Grade

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Thank you for your interest in having your child considered for early entrance into first grade. Please complete the documents enclosed with this correspondence and return them with a copy of your child's birth certificate and a copy of a document verifying you are a resident of the Stow-Munroe Falls City School District. This could be a copy of a rental agreement, mortgage, or utility bill showing you reside at that location.

The district's board policy states that to be considered for early entrance to first grade, a student must have successfully completed a credentialed kindergarten program that meets the requirements set forth by the Ohio Department of Education. In order to determine if your child has successfully completed a kindergarten program, please include your child's report card and a written recommendation from your child's teacher for promotion to first grade.

If your child has not successfully completed a kindergarten program, this requirement may be waived if your child meets the criteria for grade acceleration using an acceleration process approved by the Ohio Department of Education. This acceleration process requires a student to demonstrate aptitude and academic achievement that are within the gifted range when compared to their same age peers. Your child would need to be familiar with academic content beyond that of a first grade student in order to qualify. The results of the evaluation will be shared with you by the school psychologist.

Please return all documents to my office at the Board of Education for consideration of your child's enrollment into first grade. If necessary, a district's school psychologist will contact you to set up a time convenient for the evaluation.

Sincerely,

*Kristen Prough*

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Assistant Superintendent/ Director of Special Services

Attachments:

Early Entrance to First Grade Application  
Early Entrance to First Grade Parent Permission Form