



201.1AP Entrance Age

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LEGAL REFERENCE:

- *Education Act Sections 3,7*

CROSS REFERENCE:

- [202.3AP Appeals Concerning Student Matters](#)
- Early Childhood Services (ECS) Base Instruction (Alberta Education Funding Manual for School Authorities) Section 1.1
- Alberta School Foundation Fund Regulation (ASFF) (Alberta Education Funding Manual for School Authorities) Glossary, Page 166

PROCEDURES:

1. An individual who, as of September 1 in a year, is 6 years of age or older shall attend school (Education Act Section 3(1))
2. An individual, effective September 1 of the current school year, who attains the age of 5 years on or before the Provincial Funding Date (December 31) in a year shall be permitted to enter in an ECS program with Buffalo Trail Public Schools.
3. Students with exceptional needs, who meet the funding criteria as outlined in the Alberta Education Funding Manual for School Authorities, may be accepted upon the recommendation of the BTPS Director of Inclusive Learning.
4. An individual, effective September 1 of the current school year who attains the age of 6 years on or before the Provincial Funding Date (December 31) in a year shall be permitted to enter grade one at school opening.
5. A resident individual who is not age appropriate, and whose parents/guardians choose to enroll him/her in an alternate jurisdiction, shall successfully complete that year prior to being accepted in a BTPS school.

6. If the residence of an individual, who is not age appropriate, changes after the commencement of a school year, and that individual has been enrolled in grade one in an alternate jurisdiction, that individual may be accepted by a BTPS school.
7. An individual who is not age appropriate, but who has completed an Early Childhood Services program in an alternate jurisdiction, may be accepted by a BTPS school.
8. Parents/guardians of students who are denied entrance to school shall be informed of their right to appeal.