

NORTH BRANFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION

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ENUMERATION OF CHILDREN OF COMPULSORY SCHOOL AGE

The Board of Education shall annually determine the number of children of compulsory school age residing in the Town of North Branford as of January 1st of each year. Such determination shall be made by enumeration of each such child individually. If any child of compulsory school age is not attending school within the district, the Superintendent shall make a reasonable effort to ascertain the reason for such non-attendance.

The Board shall, on the basis of this and other reliable data, project future attendance patterns and plan for future development of public schools.

AGES OF ATTENDANCE

The North Branford Public Schools shall be open to all children who have attained the eligible age of attendance in accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes, are under twenty-one years of age and have not graduated from a high school or vocational school. Special education will be provided for children who have not attained school age who have been identified as being in need of special education, and whose educational potential will be irreparably diminished without special education.

REQUIRED AGES OF ATTENDANCE

Parents and those who have care of children between the ages of seven and fifteen, inclusive, are obligated by Connecticut law to attend public schools unless enrolled in independent schools, receiving equivalent instruction at home, excused under provisions of law, or excluded for conduct inimical to the best interest of the schools.

AGE OF ADMITTANCE TO KINDERGARTEN

Children must be five years of age on or before January 1st following their entrance into kindergarten. Exceptions to the minimum age requirement may be made where the Superintendent in his/her sole discretion, determines that a child possesses exceptional ability or readiness and that admission to kindergarten in the best interest of the child and the district.

AGE OF ADMISSION TO FIRST GRADE

Children must be six years of age on or before January 1st following their entrance into the first grade. Exceptions to the minimum age requirement may be made where it is found that a child has successfully completed an approved kindergarten program, or possesses exceptional ability whereby admission to first grade would be conducive to the best interest of the child. Determination of such admission will be made by the Superintendent of Schools.

TRANSFER STUDENTS

Children who apply for admission to the District's schools by transfer from public or non-public schools outside the District will be placed at the grade they would have reached elsewhere pending observation and evaluation by classroom teachers, guidance personnel and the school principal.

Legal Reference:

- C. G. S. § 10-15 (Towns to maintain schools)
- C.G.S. § 10-15c (School attendance by 5 year olds)
- C. G. S. §§ 10-76a-76g (Special education statutes)
- C.G.S. § 10-184 (Duties of parents re: mandatory schooling for children ages 7 or older and under 16 years inclusive)
- C.G.S. §10-186 (Duties of local and regional boards of education re: school attendance. Hearing Appeal to state board. Establishment of hearing board)
- C.G.S. §§10-233a-233f (Inclusive, re: removal, suspension, expulsion of pupils)
- C.G.S. §10-261 (Definitions)
- C.G.S. §10-249 (Children of compulsory school age)
- C.G.S. §10-250 (Report/children of compulsory school age)
- § 10-76d7 (Admission of student requiring special education, referral)

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