



## **SECTION IV: STUDENTS**

## **POLICY 4020**

### ADMISSION OF STUDENTS

In accordance with Oklahoma School Law, all children between the ages of five (5) years on or before September 1 and twenty-one (21) years on or before September 1 shall be entitled to attend school free of charge in the district in which they reside.

The following admission regulations shall be observed in the Broken Arrow School District:

1. Pre-Kindergarten: Broken Arrow Public Schools' pre-kindergarten classes shall be free to each Broken Arrow Public School District resident who is at least four (4) years of age but not more than five (5) years of age on or before September 1, as long as the District has the physical facilities and teaching personnel to accommodate the child.
2. Kindergarten: Broken Arrow Public Schools' kindergarten classes shall be free to each Broken Arrow Public School District resident whose fifth (5th) birthday falls on or before September 1.
3. First (1st) Grade: Broken Arrow Public Schools' first grade classes shall be free to each Broken Arrow School District resident whose sixth (6th) birthday falls on or before September 1.

No child shall be enrolled in kindergarten unless he or she will have reached the age of five (5) years on or before September 1 of the school year. No child shall be enrolled in the first grade unless he or she will have reached the age of six (6) years of age on or before September 1 of the school year.

#### **Tuition-Based Admission**

Children who do not meet the residency requirements and are unable to obtain a transfer may be admitted on a full-tuition basis to the extent that space is available and with the approval of the Superintendent or designee. Tuition-based admission shall not be considered for underage students. Tuition rates for non-resident students shall be established by the Board of Education each year on the basis of total costs. Such tuition fee shall be calculated at not less than the per capita cost of education for a similar period in the school district during the preceding year. Such tuition shall be paid in advance, yearly or by semester, before attendance is permitted to begin.

#### **Students from Non-Accredited Schools**

Broken Arrow Public Schools' policy requires that the achievement level of students transferring from non-accredited private schools to this district be evaluated and the students placed at an appropriate grade level based on that evaluation.

Source: *Broken Arrow Board of Education policy adoption, August, 1995*  
*Broken Arrow Board of Education policy revised, September 8, 1998.*  
*Broken Arrow Board of Education policy revised, July 13, 2009.*  
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