

Gaston County Schools
Application for Early Admission to Kindergarten
Based on North Carolina Law and State Standards for Early Admission

Parent Information Sheet

It is the responsibility of the parents/guardians to present information to the school to support that the child has extraordinary academic ability and is appropriately mature to justify early admission.

North Carolina Standards for Early Admission

Student Name:

(Please Print Clearly) _____
Last First Middle

Birth date: _____ Email: _____

Parents' Names: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____
Home Work Fax

Assigned School: _____

Children who will reach their fourth birthday by April 16 may enter kindergarten if they demonstrate an *extraordinary* level of academic ability and maturity. The following documentation is required for consideration for early admission:

1. **Aptitude Test Score of 98%** on a standard individual test of intelligence administered by a licensed psychologist after April 16th. *All testing must be scheduled and paid for by the parents/guardians.* Document attached _____
2. **Achievement Test score of 98%** on a standard individual test of reading and/or math administered by a licensed psychologist after April 16th. *All testing must be scheduled and paid for by the parents/guardians.* Document attached _____
3. **Student Work** showing outstanding ability in any of the following areas: art, math, writing, dramatic play, creative productions, science, reading, social interactions, etc. (maximum of six items) Quality will be given greater consideration than quantity. Document attached _____
4. **Two Letters of Recommendation** with specific documentation of physical and social maturity from child care workers, pediatricians, or others with direct knowledge of the child. Document attached _____

Please submit all above documentation to the AIG Office at Forest Heights 1 Learning Place Gastonia, NC 28052.

An informal interview with the child and a formal interview with the parent are required. You will be contacted about an appointment time. Interview date & time _____

A final decision will be made within three (3) weeks after receipt of all documentation. It is the responsibility of the principal to find that the child has extraordinary academic ability and the maturity to justify admission.

Principal Signature _____ **Date Submitted:** _____

Approved for Early Admission - Yes No (Circle One)

Steps for Early Admission to Kindergarten

Step 1

Principals refer parents to Kathleen Koch for application and state guidelines.

Step 2

Parent completes the application and acquires all needed documentation.

Step 3

Parent submits application and documentation to AIG Office at Forest Heights.

Step 4

Parent is contacted to schedule an informal interview with the child and formal interview with the parent.

Step 5

Upon completion of interviews, the final decision is made by the principal with input from the county committee.