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Challenging Students to Achieve Their Goals and Dreams

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4K and 5K FAQs

This FAQ information is generated from Cedarburg School District's Administrative Guideline 5112A - Admission to Kindergarten.

The purpose of the 4K and 5K FAQs is to provide parents/guardians with answers to questions they might have about: enrollment, school assignments, and other questions pertinent to enrolling their child in the Cedarburg School District 4K or 5K programs.

ENROLLMENT QUESTIONS

How old does my child need to be to enroll in 4K?

In the year of enrollment, a child is eligible for entrance into four-year-old kindergarten if s/he attains the age of four (4) on or before September 1st.

Can a parent enroll a 5-year-old into 4K?

No. Children must be 4 years of age on or before September 1st to enroll in four-year-old kindergarten. Children who are 5 years old as of September 1st will not be eligible for enrollment in 4K.

Can a parent/guardian appeal to the district for early entrance to 4K if a child is four years of age after September 1st?

No. There is no appeal process for early entrance to four-year-old kindergarten (4K).

Can a parent/guardian request early admission to 5K?

Yes. Admission to 5K for students who will not turn 5 by September 1st will be *considered* per parent request by contacting the elementary school principal before May 1st of the spring before the proposed entrance.

Can my child enroll in 4K for two consecutive years and then enter 5K?

No. Retention, regardless of grade, is a significant intervention applied in exceptional cases. Retention decisions are processed through each school's problem-solving team, which includes the parent/guardian.

Can a parent/guardian enroll their child in 4K on a part-time basis?

No. Attendance in 4K is a five-day, half-day program, either a morning OR afternoon session.

Can my child attend 5K after completing a 5K program outside of the Cedarburg School District (other district, private school, etc.)?

No. Repeating 5K would be viewed the same as retention, which is a significant intervention applied only in exceptional cases.

SCHOOL OF ATTENDANCE

Can a parent/guardian request that their child be enrolled at a different elementary school other than the school designated as the neighborhood school per the <u>District's school attendance area?</u>

The district may consider intradistrict transfers and a formal request will need to be filed.

Can the school district adjust or change my child's 4K school placement?

The district's preference is to always have the student attend their attendance area school. The Superintendent may assign a student to a school other than their home school based on class sizes, the needs of the district, or where a placement change is in the best interest of the student.

PROGRAMMING QUESTIONS

What is the 4K schedule?

- Morning Session: 8:50-11:35 AMAfternoon Session: 12:50-3:35 PM
- Calendar:
 - 4K students follow the same calendar of scheduled school days as 5K-5 with the exception of a non-student day for fall parent conferences.
 - 4K is a half-day, five-day-per-week program, Monday through Friday.

How does the District determine the placement of students in the morning vs. afternoon 4K Sections?

The District utilizes the following two pieces of criteria when organizing morning and afternoon 4K sections:

- 1. Transportation clustering requirements were communicated to the district by Riteway Bus Company (for those students who qualify for district busing).
- 2. Class size.

If my child has an Individual Education Program (IEP), will they be enrolled at their neighborhood school?

The IEP team, which includes parents/guardians, will determine the most appropriate placement for the student.

Will my child receive lunch during my child's 4K program?

No. Lunch is not a part of the 4K program.