

# Early Access

**What it is:** Early access to kindergarten and first grade for four and five year olds, respectively, as an exception to the normal age requirements as per [policy JEB](#).

**Who it is for:** Children who are highly gifted (97th percentile or higher) and would benefit from early grade acceleration.

**Policy:** Early Access into kindergarten or first grade was established by House Bill 1021, effective July 2008.

[Early Access Policy IHBB-R](#)

[CDE Fast Facts](#)



## Application Process

- [Apply](#) - Opens in January (January 4, 2021 – April 1, 2021)
- Receive Early Access / Developmental History Form Packet from GT Office – Generated from application
- Early Access Packet / Portfolio (Due by March 24, 2021)
- Early Access Team will contact parents with completed and qualifying portfolio to schedule Cognitive Testing.
- The Early Access Cognitive Testing cost \$250 (waived for families who have qualified for the free/reduced lunch program)
- Cognitive Testing will be scheduled.
- Student that tests in 97th percentile or above with Cognitive Testing will be scheduled for Achievement Testing.
- Notification of acceptance and non-acceptance will be sent to parents. (By April 30, 2021)

For more information, visit the [Early Access page](#).

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