

EARLY ENTRANCE into KINDERGARTEN

Any student that resides within the Salem City School District and **does not** meet the age requirement to enter kindergarten, (5 years old by August 1st of the year they plan to enter school), may request early entrance into kindergarten. Listed below are the steps parents need to follow.

1. Parents must submit a letter to the Principal at Buckeye School requesting early entrance for their child. The letter should include the parent's name(s), parents address and a phone number where they can be reached. It should also include the child's name, and birth date.
2. An evaluation will be scheduled in June or July with our school psychologist to determine the appropriateness for early entrance.
3. The following criteria must be met. The child must score two standard deviations above the mean, minus the standard error of measure on an appropriate individual ability test.
(IQ = 127 or higher)
4. The child must have a visual-motor maturity level commensurate to or better than their typical peer group.
5. The child must have adequate emotional maturity, verbal fluency and general physical maturity to allow them to compete in a regular kindergarten classroom.
6. A meeting will be scheduled with parents when the testing is completed to share the results and district recommendation.

If you have any questions, please call the Principal at Buckeye School, 330-332-8917.