

SCHOOL ADMISSION

The Terrebonne Parish School Board shall admit students to the schools of the school district once the student has been registered for school by the parent or legal guardian, under such rules and regulations as the Board may prescribe.

No student of suitable age shall be denied admission or readmission to school who resides within the geographical boundaries of the school system unless such student is legally excluded from attending school.

No child shall be admitted to school for the first time until his/her parents do the following:

1. Present to school officials an official birth certificate. A short-form birth certification card shall be acceptable. Only records from the local or state registrar of vital statistics shall be accepted for children born in Louisiana, except as otherwise provided herein. Children born in Louisiana shall be given a fifteen (15) day grace period to secure a copy of their birth record. Children born out of this state shall be given thirty (30) days grace in which to produce a copy of their birth record. In cases where birth certificates and/or birth verification forms cannot be obtained, the school principal may accept whatever positive proof of age, race and parentage is available. Children born in foreign countries may submit data from their passports or citizenship papers or have their cases referred to the Superintendent. It shall be left to the discretion of the Superintendent or designee, subject to the authority of the Board, as to whether or not a child shall continue in school upon failure to comply herewith.
2. Present to school officials evidence of being or having been immunized against diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough, poliomyelitis and measles and other vaccine-preventable diseases according to a schedule approved by the Office of Public Health, Department of Health and Hospitals.
3. Present to school officials an official Social Security card. If no Social Security card is available, the student shall be assigned a state identification number.
4. Present to school officials all official school records of school previously attended or information needed to access such records when transferring from another school to one inside the School District, including necessary authorization to obtain and/or access any and all records of the enrolling student.
5. Present to school officials as a prerequisite to enrolling in the first grade, evidence of having attended at least a full-day public or private kindergarten for a full school year; or satisfactorily passed academic readiness screening administered by the school system prior to the time of enrollment in first grade.

6. Present to school officials evidence of being bona fide residents of the school district, with limited exception. However, children temporarily residing within the jurisdiction of the Board who have no permanent address, who have been abandoned by their parents, or who are in foster care shall be admitted to school, except as may be allowed by statute.
7. Present to school officials satisfactory evidence that at least one of the child's parents or guardians has completed a parent orientation course conducted by the school district. However, no child shall be denied entry into school because parent or guardian has not attended an orientation session.