

**St. Sebastian School
Kindergarten and 1st Grade Admission Policy
and Early Admissions Policy**

Admissions to Kindergarten (4 and 5 year old) and First Grade

1. No child may be admitted to 4 year old kindergarten unless he/she is 4 years old on or before September 1 in the year he/she proposes to enter school.
2. No child may be admitted to 5 year old kindergarten unless he/she is 5 years old on or before September 1 in the year he/she proposes to enter school.
3. No child may be admitted to 1st grade unless he/she is 6 years old on or before September 1 in the year he/she proposes to enter school.

Early Admissions Entry Exception Policy

St. Sebastian School strongly recommends students enrolling in the grade that fits the child's age. Parents may request an early admission exception for students to grades K4, K5 or first grade with a Birthday between September 1 and October 1 and possess the following characteristics:

- Superior in intellectual growth
- Very well-adjusted socially and emotionally

To apply for the early entry exception into K4, K5 or 1st grade, the following steps must take place:

1. A formal notice of application must be made to the principal by April 1.
2. The child will be tested by St. Sebastian school staff for academic readiness and superior intellectual growth.
3. The child will participate in a psychological readiness test at the parents' expense to measure the social, emotional, physical and mental maturity of the child. Those results will be shared with the school.
4. The school counselor will observe the child in a classroom setting and make a recommendation on social, emotional, physical and mental maturity of the child.
5. The parent(s) may submit an early admission readiness report from a previous school or daycare setting.
6. The final decision on placement will be made at a meeting involving school staff.
7. Any early placement will be on a 9 week trial basis and the placement may be revoked if the placement is not successful.

Note – Due to Wisconsin Department of Instruction policy, MPCP School Choice students are not eligible for early admissions.

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