

ANACORTES SCHOOL DISTRICT #103

Policy No. 3110
Students

ADMISSION & QUALIFICATIONS OF ATTENDANCE

AGE OF ADMISSION

Attending the schools of the district shall be recognized as a right and responsibility for those who meet the requirements prescribed by law. Every resident of the district who satisfies the minimum entry age requirement and is less than 21 years of age has the right to attend the district's schools until he/she completes high school graduation requirements.

Children of age 8 and less than age 18 are required by law to attend a public school, an approved private school or educational center, unless they are receiving approved home-based instruction. Under certain circumstances children who are at least 16 and less than 18 years of age may be excused from further attendance at school. The superintendent/designee shall exercise his/her authority to grant exceptions when he/she determines that the student:

1. Is lawfully and regularly employed, and has permission of a parent; or
2. Is emancipated pursuant to Chapter 13.64 RCW; or
3. Is subject to one of the other exceptions to compulsory attendance.

A resident student who has been granted an exception retains the right to enroll, when provided by law, as a part-time student and shall be entitled to take any course, receive any ancillary services, and take or receive any combination of courses and ancillary services which is offered by a public school to full-time students.

ENTRANCE QUALIFICATIONS

To be admitted to a kindergarten program that commences in the fall of the year a child must be not less than 5 years of age prior to September 1st of that school year. To be admitted to a first grade program that commences in the fall of the year a child must be not less than 6 years of age prior to September 1st of that school year. Any student not otherwise eligible for entry to the first grade who has successfully completed a state-approved kindergarten program of 450 or more hours including instruction in language arts, arithmetic, and reading may be placed in a temporary classroom assignment for the purposes of evaluation prior to making a final determination of the student's appropriate placement. Such determination shall be made no later than the 30th calendar day following the student's first day of attendance.

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| Cross References: | <i>Board Policy 2080</i> | <i>Comprehensive Student Assessment System</i> |
| | Board Policy 2121 | Substance Abuse Program |
| | Board Policy 2140 | Guidance and Counseling |
| | Board Policy 2108 | Remediation Programs |
| | Board Policy 3114 | Part-time, Home-based, or Off-campus Students |
| | Board Policy 3121 | Compulsory Attendance |
| | Board Policy 3122 | Excused and Unexcused Absences |
| | Board Policy 4220 | Complaints Concerning Staff or Program |



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| Legal References: | RCW 28A.225.010 | Attendance mandatory — Age — Person having custody shall cause child to attend public school — When excused |
| | RCW 28A.225.020 | School's duties upon juvenile's failure to attend school |
| | RCW 28A.225.160 | Qualification for admission to district's schools — Fees for preadmission screening |
| | RCW 28A.225.220 | Adults, children from other districts, agreements for attending school — Tuition |
| | WAC 392-335 | Uniform Entry Qualifications |
| | WAC 392-134-010 | Attendance rights of part-time public school students |
| | WAC 392-137 | Finance — Nonresident attendance |
| Management Resource: | <i>Policy News</i> , April 2006 | Entrance to School Policy Changes |
| | <i>Policy News</i> , August 1999 | Districts may set K-screening fees |

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