## ROSEVILLE AREA SCHOOLS

Independent School District No. 623

Regulations 556 – Initial Admission (Early Entrance) Placement

- 1.0 Purpose: To define eligibility for District kindergarten early entrance.
  - 1.1 Screening for early entrance to kindergarten will be available to a child whose fifth birthday falls between September 2 and October 31.
    - 1.1.1 The parent will complete and return the early entrance application form and questionnaire to the Department of Teaching and Learning before May 1.
    - 1.1.2 The Department of Teaching and Learning will schedule a group observation and screening process for parents and child on or before June 20. The cost for the screening interviews will be shared by the District and parents, based on anticipated expenditures. Information concerning costs will be made available to parents by May 15 of each year. Payment will be waived upon request to the Assistant Superintendent.
    - 1.1.3 Immediately after the group screening process is conducted, the kindergarten coordinator shall forward a completed routing form containing (1) screening recommendations (2) application forms, and (3) additional supporting data to the Department of Teaching and Learning.
    - 1.1.4 Based on screening results, the Department of Teaching and Learning will send a letter with recommendations to the parents within one week following the group screening. Recommendations shall be that (1) early entrance would not be in the best interests of the child, or (2) the child demonstrates some kindergarten readiness skills; psychological assessment is available to determine final decision.
    - 1.1.5 The Department of Teaching and Learning will schedule children recommended for psychological testing with District psychologists. Cost of the testing will be shared by the District and parents based on anticipated expenditures. (Information concerning costs will be made available to parents at the time of initial screening.)
    - 1.1.6 Psychologists will determine appropriate assessment batteries and schedule assessments with parents and children prior to July 25. Exceptions may be made based on availability of psychologist. Psychologists will communicate final recommendations to parents prior to August 1.

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- 1.1.7 The Department of Teaching and Learning will notify principals and kindergarten teachers of the final decision, and send kindergarten roundup packets to students who have been approved for early entrance prior to August 14.
- 1.1.8 An additional screening process may be added at the discretion of the Department of Teaching and Learning in late August.
- 1.1.8 Any requests for exceptions to the Early Entrance Procedure should be referred to the Assistant Superintendent.

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