

MEMORANDUM

To: School Superintendents and Chief Financial Officers

From: Robin LeClaire, Director
Office of School Improvement

Melissa Ambre, Director
Office of School Finance

Date: May 3, 2019

Re: House Enrolled Act 1001 – Kindergarten Entrance and ADM Funding

Background:

The Indiana General Assembly recently amended I.C. 20-43-4-5 allowing school corporations to receive state funding for kindergarten (KG) students who are at least age five by September 1, 2019 for the 2019-2020 school year. The same provision moves the date to October 1, 2020 for the 2020-2021 school year.

Note: I.C. 20-33-2-7 still requires a student to be at least five years of age on August 1 of the school year to participate in a KG program at a school corporation, unless the student is waived into kindergarten. School corporations may adopt an appeal procedure to allow a parent to request a “waiver” for a student who is not at least five years of age on August 1.

Guidance:

In determining average daily membership (ADM), each KG student who is at least five years of age on the dates set forth below, will be provided ADM funding:

- For the 2019-2020 school year, September 1 of the school year; and
- For the 2020-2021 school year, October 1 of the school year.

In other words, if a student is waived into KG and is not at least age five by September 1 for the 2019-2020 school year or October 1 for the 2020-2021 school year, a school corporation shall not count the student for ADM and will not receive tuition support for the student.

Should you have any questions regarding this information please reach out to the following individuals:

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This bill was authored by Representative Todd Huston and full bill text can be found [here](#). Information regarding how to contact your legislators can be found [here](#).