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For admission to first grade, a student shall be six (6) years old on or before December 31 of the school year.\*

Previous attendance in an out-of-state school into which a student was admitted on the basis of age requirement established by the state of residency shall be accepted as meeting the age requirement.

\*An opinion of the Attorney General states in effect that under the common law one's age is computed by including the day of birth so that a given age is obtained the day before the birthday anniversary. Therefore, a child whose sixth birthday falls on September 2 is entitled to attend the public elementary schools at the opening of school for that school year. A child whose fifth birthday falls on September 2 is entitled to attend kindergarten.

### **REFERENCE(S):**

**CODE OF ALABAMA**

**16-11-16, 16-28-4, AAC §290-3-1-.02**

### **HISTORY:**

**ADOPTED: 2006**

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