

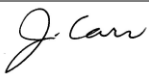


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## Administrative Regulation 302

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1. Student attendance in early childhood education programs is optional.
2. Programming will be provided for eligible children with special needs. School Operations Services will assist with providing programs for eligible children with special needs.
3. Evaluation processes will stress individual growth and development of the child rather than comparison with that of others. No “report cards” as such will be utilized.
4. The operation of early childhood programs will stress the importance of the involvement the primacy of parents in the education of the child.
5. Kindergarten programs will operate in elementary schools where there is sufficient enrolment to warrant their operation.
  - a. Registration for September will take place at the local school. Staggered entry will take place during the first two weeks of the school year.
  - b. Kindergarten programs normally operate half days. Programs include child, parent, community and staff components that are not solely “in-school” hours.
  - c. Kindergarten programs will be interactive and will be committed to the development of the whole child. Individual needs and respect for variances in learning styles will determine strategies to promote the child’s development.
  - d. Professional development in kindergarten programs is an ongoing process and takes various forms including inservices, seminars, intervisitation between programs, and home visits.

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