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School shall be available to all children five years of age and over and to four year olds who reach age five on or before the first day of January of any school year. The parent/guardian of a child five years of age shall have the option of not sending the child to school until that child is six years of age and the parent/guardian of a child six years of age shall have the option of not sending the child to school until the child is seven years of age. To effect either option, the parent/guardian must appear at the school and sign an option form. Each child shall have an equal opportunity to participate in the program and activities of the school system without discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, national origin or sexual orientation.

Parents/guardians of children five years of age and over and under eighteen years of age, are obligated by Connecticut law to require their children to attend public day school or its equivalent in the district in which such child resides, unless such child is a high school graduate or the parent or guardian is able to show that the child is elsewhere receiving equivalent instruction in the studies taught in the public schools. Effective July 1, 2001, the parent or guardian of a child under eighteen years of age must consent to such child's withdrawal from school. The parent or guardian shall exercise this option by personally appearing at the school district office to sign a withdrawal form. This district shall provide the parent or guardian with information on the educational opportunities available in the school system and in the community.

Admission may be made to the Brookfield Early Intervention Program for children three to five years old who meet the entrance criteria. Special education shall be offered to children who have attained the age of three and who have been identified as being in need of special education.

Children entering the district schools for the first time must present a birth certificate or other legal evidence of birth date, as well as proof of a recent physical examination and required immunizations. Proof of residence shall also be requested by the building principal or designee. Proof of citizenship shall not be requested.

Children who have attained the age of sixteen and who have terminated enrollment in the Brookfield schools with parental permission as described previously and who subsequently seek readmission may be denied readmission for no more than ninety days from the date of such termination.

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Children who apply for initial admission to the district's schools by transfer from nonpublic schools or from schools outside the district shall be placed at the grade they would have reached elsewhere, pending observation and evaluation by classroom teachers, guidance personnel, and the school principal. After such observation and evaluation have been completed, the principal shall determine the final grade placement of the children.

Students who have attained the age of nineteen may be placed in an alternative school program or other suitable educational program if they cannot acquire a sufficient number of credits for graduation by age twenty-one.

(cf. 0521 – Nondiscrimination)
(cf. 5112 – Ages of Attendance)
(cf. 5141 – Student Health Services)
(cf. 6171 – Special Education)
(cf. 6146 – Graduation Requirements)

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Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes
10-15 Towns to maintain schools
10-15c Discrimination in public schools prohibited. School attendance by five-year olds, as amended by PA 97-247
10-76a-10-76g re special education
10-184 Duties of parents (re mandatory schooling for children ages five to sixteen, inclusive) – as amended by PA 98-243, and PA 00-157
10-186 Duties of local and regional boards of education re school attendance. Hearings. Amended by PA 96-26, An Act Concerning Graduation Requirements and Placement of Older Students
Appeals to state board. Establishment of hearing board
10-233a-10-233f Inclusive; re: suspend, expel, removal of pupils
10-233c Suspension of pupils
10-233d Expulsion of pupils
10-261 Definitions
State Board of Education Regulations
10-76a-1 General definitions (c) (d) (q) (t)
10-76d-7 Admission of student requiring special education (referral)
10-204a Required immunizations (as amended by PA 98-243)

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