Kindergarten Acceleration

Qualifications

- Student must be age 5 on or before September 1 of 2016.
- Student must be registered for Kindergarten for the 2016-2017 school year.

If both qualifications are met, then a parent/guardian may request that his/her child test for placement in first grade. Parents, student, and staff shall consider whether testing and possible placement in first grade are the best options using the following considerations:

- Academic Rigor
- Social and emotional impact
- Effect of skipping a grade level on the student’s overall educational experience.

Testing

Student will be given the Iowa Test of Basic Skills test in Reading and Mathematics and must pass both sections at the 50th percentile or higher on Level 6 scored with spring norms.

Results and Acceleration

Results will be sent to the principal of the school where the student is registered. The principal will contact you directly regarding your student’s test scores. The Assessment office will not give out any information regarding the results of Kindergarten Acceleration testing.

If your child is recommended for acceleration, it will be on a probationary basis. Should the school or teacher feel it is in the best interest of the child to be placed back into Kindergarten you will be contacted.

If you have any additional questions, please call the Waco ISD Assessment office at (254) 710-9252.