Enrolling in Henry County Schools

Age Requirements

Kindergarten students must be 5 years old on or before September 1. First grade students must be 6 years old on or before September 1. A copy of the child's proof of age must be supplied at the time of enrollment.

Attendance Zone

Students must attend school in the attendance zone where their parents/legal guardians reside. Students may not attend other schools in the system except with the permission of the Henry County Board of Education.

If you are uncertain about the correct attendance area for your neighborhood, please contact the Transportation Services Department at 770-957-2025 or visit the school system website at <u>www.henry.k12.ga.us</u> and under Site Shortcuts, select Enrollment Zones. Click on <u>http://edulog.henry.k12.ga.us/edulog/webquery/</u> and enter your address information to view the school in your attendance zone.

Ear, Eye, and Dental Examination

Any student, regardless of grade level, who has never been in a Georgia public school must also provide certification of eye, ear and dental examinations. Any child admitted to school without a certificate must present one within 30 calendar days. The form for this examination is DHR Form 3300. All DHR forms may be obtained at the Henry County Health Department or physician's office.

Guardianship

If a student resides with any person other than a natural parent, a certified copy of the court documents that establish legal guardianship will be required at the time of enrollment. A student may be enrolled for up to thirty (30) days while guardianship is pursued. A petition for temporary guardianship can be filed with the <u>Henry County</u> <u>Probate Court</u> (770-288-7600).

Immunization

All students in grades K-12 must provide an <u>immunization certificate</u> (Georgia Form 3231) at the time of enrollment. This certificate may be obtained from the Henry County Health Department or from a physician. A student may be enrolled for up to thirty (30) days while proof of immunization obtained.

A child entering school in Georgia for the first time must be age-appropriately immunized with all of the <u>required</u> <u>vaccines</u> (DTP, DTaP, DT, or Td; Hepatitis B; Hib; OPV or IPV; Measles, Mumps and Rubella or MMR; and Varicella).

For entrance into the sixth grade of Georgia schools, a child must have at least one additional dose of MMR vaccine, for a total of two MMR vaccines administered on or after the child's first birthday and at least 30 days apart. Also, students entering sixth grade must be immunized for protection against Chicken Pox, also known as varicella.

Parents may be able to temporarily waive Georgia's immunization requirements for religious or medical reasons. Contact the school for additional information.

Social Security Number

At the time of enrollment in Henry County Schools, parents are asked to provide voluntarily, a copy of the child's Social Security Card. However, no student shall be denied enrollment in Henry County School District for declining to provide a Social Security Number or declining to apply for such a number. A parent/guardian may submit a Statement of Objection (Waiver) in lieu of a copy of the student's Social Security card. Failure to provide the Social Security Card or Statement of Objection (Waiver) will not bar or delay a child's enrollment in school; however, parents are strongly encouraged to read the uses of the Social Security number within the school system and make an educated decision as to whether or not to provide a Social Security Card. A list of the uses of the Social Security number and Statement of Objection (Waiver) can be obtained at the school. Please see local board policy JBC(3) for additional information.

Transfer Students

Prior to admission, a transfer student shall provide a certified copy of his or her academic transcript and disciplinary record from the school previously attended. A student may be admitted conditionally if the name and address of the school last attended and authorization to release all academic and disciplinary records to the school is provided.

Please Note: Any student who is under suspension or expulsion in another school system and who wants to enroll in Henry County Schools must clear that suspension/expulsion before any consideration will be given to the student's request for approval to enroll.

If you have additional questions, please contact the school administrator in your attendance zone or the Administrative Services Department, 770-957-6601.