

**Examinations for  
Acceleration or  
Course Credit**

If a student in grades 1–12 wishes to accelerate to the next grade level or earn course credit without having received prior instruction in the grade level or course, the District shall offer opportunities in accordance with state law and State Board rules for the student to take a Board-approved examination for this purpose.

**Kindergarten  
Acceleration**

In accordance with State Board rules, the Board has approved the following procedures to allow a child who is five years old at the beginning of the school year and is enrolled in kindergarten or is registered to begin kindergarten, to accelerate to grade 1. Criteria for acceleration shall include:

1. A written request for acceleration signed by the student's parent submitted no later than September 1 of the year the child enters kindergarten.
2. Recommendation from the kindergarten or preschool the student has attended.
3. Scoring at or above grade level on the kindergarten end-of-year expectations assessment, to be administered by appropriate District personnel.
4. A score of at least 80 percent (or the equivalent) on each of the following content area assessments: language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies, to be administered by appropriate District personnel. The Board authorizes District personnel to choose the assessments to be used for this purpose.
5. Chronological age and observed social and emotional development of the student, which may include the completion of a social skills checklist or inventory.

After successful completion of the criteria listed above, the student shall complete a successful probationary period of 15 school days in a grade 1 class. If at the end of the probationary period the grade 1 teacher confirms that the student is appropriately placed, the student shall be officially accelerated to grade 1.