

Basic Requirements for Enrollment

A copy of the student's state-issued birth certificate must be presented to the school at the time of enrollment. Hospital birth reports are not acceptable.

A valid South Carolina Certificate of Immunization, which you may obtain from the Pickens County Health Department at 200 McDaniel Avenue, Pickens or from a private physician.

Transfer students from another school require a completed transfer/withdrawal form and a copy of the student's last report card.

A correct "911" address provided at time of enrollment by the parent or legal guardian. Documents accepted for proof of residence include:

Recent mortgage or rent statement

A copy of parent/guardians monthly utility bill (electric, gas, water) showing billing name and address.

Copy of parent/guardian's current cable TV or satellite bill, (landline telephone bills and cell phone bills are not acceptable.)

Enrollment Age

By September 1 a student must be:

3 years of age for handicapped assistance*

4 years of age for pre-kindergarten programs*

5 years of age for kindergarten (compulsory in South Carolina)

6 years of age for first grade (mandatory in South Carolina)

*Special Note: Students who require handicapped assistance may be eligible for programs at age 3. Decisions are made on a child-by-child basis after specialized preschool procedures are followed. For 4-year old pre-kindergarten programs, additional requirements (i.e., testing, income verification, etc.) must be met before admission to the program.

Homeschooling

Parents or guardians may teach their children at home under one of THREE ways.

Local school district supervision approved instruction.

South Carolina Association of Independent Home Schools supervision of the instruction and curriculum.

If taught under the auspices of an association for home schools which has no fewer than fifty members and meets the requirements of South Carolina Ordinances Section (59-65-40).

A list of home school associations registered with the South Carolina Department of Education is available by calling 864-855-8150.