

Age Eligibility

The Waldorf-inspired curriculum is based on the development of the child. While our school is open to all students who wish to enroll subject only to capacity, the Charter School has adopted a minimum age of enrollment for each grade level that exceeds the minimum age requirements under the law. Below are the current grade/age guidelines given in the GVCS enrollment policy for student applicants. Determination of whether to place age-eligible students in Kindergarten for one year or in First Grade will be based on each child's developmental readiness. A student's developmental readiness for First Grade will be evaluated by the First Grade Readiness Assessment administered prior to starting school (usually in the Spring or Summer before the next school year starts), and by parent-teacher or parent-principal conference.

Below is a table showing age eligibility by grade level.

Grade Level	Age Eligibility
Kindergarten (1 Year)	5 by May 15 of the year the student begins Kindergarten.
Kindergarten (2 Year)	5 by February 2 of the year the student begins Kindergarten.
First Grade	Based primarily on developmental readiness of the child, secondarily on the child's turning 6 years old by May 15 during the Spring before First Grade.
Second Grade	7 by May 15 prior to beginning Second Grade.
Third Grade	8 by May 15 prior to beginning Third Grade.
Fourth Grade	9 by May 15 prior to beginning Fourth Grade.
Fifth Grade	10 by May 15 prior to beginning Fifth Grade.
Sixth Grade	11 by May 15 prior to beginning Sixth Grade.
Seventh Grade	12 by May 15 prior to beginning Seventh Grade.
Eighth Grade	13 by May 15 prior to beginning Eighth Grade.