

301 ADMISSION AGE

Beliefs

The Maskwacis Education Schools Commission (MESC) follows cultural and traditional teachings of the Maskwacis Cree, in particular Wahkohtowin. Wahkohtowin is the belief that all things are related and connected, that all of existence has spirit and that living in a good way requires us to maintain good relationships with each other and other aspects of existence. We recognize that respect for mother earth, elders, youth, and the Treaties are paramount to planning ahead and making decisions for future generations.

The MESC believes that a student should be placed in an age appropriate learning environment.

Procedures

1. Children will be accepted in Kindergarten and Grade 1 programs subject to age guidelines, demonstrated readiness, and maturity to enable success in the program.
2. The admittance age for children entering:
 - 2.1. Headstart shall be three (3) years before December 31.
 - 2.2. K4 shall be four (4) years before December 31.
 - 2.3. K5 shall be five (5) years before December 31.
 - 2.4. Grade 1 shall be six (6) years before December 31.
 - 2.5. Children who have completed an ECS program and demonstrated sufficient readiness and maturity to enable success in the program may be admitted to Grade 1 at a younger age.
3. Persons who are between the ages of nineteen (19) and twenty one (21) years of age as of September 1 will be considered for enrollment on an individual basis, at the discretion of the Principal, based on the following criteria:
 - 3.1. Appropriate programming, and;
 - 3.2. Ability to complete credit requirements to graduate within the year of acceptance.