

**GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR
DIRECTORATE OF SCHOOL EDUCATION, JAMMU
Muthi Camp, Jammu -181205**

Sub: Age criteria for admission of students in class 1st academic session 2024-25.

C I R C U L A R

A number of representations have been received from parents of some students stating that their wards are being denied admission in class 1st by the respective schools for the reason of being less than 06 years of age and hence ineligible for admission as per the National Education Policy 2020. The issue has also been projected by some schools.

The matter has been examined and it is felt that strict implementation of these provisions will lead to loss of academic year for some students who have already been admitted in pre-primary in the preceding year and therefore the request merits consideration. However, an upper ceiling has to be fixed and the relaxation cannot be unending. It has accordingly been decided to gradually implement the NEP and relax the age criteria for admission to class 1st for the academic session 2024-25, in view of the transition period. Besides, similar relaxations are being extended by some other states also.

In the above backdrop, it is brought to the notice of all concerned that as a one time exception, the students who shall be completing 06 years of age in the next 6 months (i.e. students completing 06 years of age upto 30th September 2024) from the start of academic session shall be allowed admission in the first class in the academic session 2024-25.


**Director School Education
Jammu**

No: DSEJ/2024/8282-8416

Dated: 04-04-2024.

Copy to the:

1. Secretary to Government, School Education Department Civil Sectt. Jammu/Srinagar for kind information and confirmation of the action taken.
2. Joint Director (All) for information.
3. All Chief Education Officers/Principal's DIET's/Dy. CEOs of Jammu Division for information and necessary action.
4. All Zonal Education Officers of Jammu Division for information and necessary action.
5. I/c computer section to upload on the official website.
6. Office Record file.

AFFIDAVIT BY THE PARENT

(On Rs 10/- Non Judicial Stamp Paper)

I, _____ S/O / D/O Shri / Shrimati _____

Resident of _____ do
hereby solemnly affirm and declare as under :-

1. That I have approached willingly Army Public School _____
For seeking admission of my son/daughter/ward _____
in Class -1.

2. That the School Authorities have conveyed that as per NEP 2020 and Army Public Schools norms, a student applicant for Class-1 should have attained an age of 06 years as on 31 Mar of the academic session so as to take admission in Class-1. However, my son's/daughter's/ward's age fall short of _____ days to meet the said criteria.

3. That school has advised me to get my son/daughter/ward admitted in pre-primary class strictly as per the age criterion mentioned in preceding point of this affidavit.

4. That in order to save the academic year of my child, I intend to get her/him admitted in Class-1 at Army Public School _____.

5. That I fully understand the implication of getting my son/daughter/ward admitted in Class-1 at this juncture and hereby solemnly affirm that the School Authority would not be held responsible for any consequence arising later due to this decision of mine and further shall not claim any compensation/liability whatsoever from the School, or its office bearers.

Declare this ___ Day of _____ Months ___ of Year (Signature of Deponent)

VERIFICATION

Verified that the contents of this affidavit are true to the best of my knowledge and no part of the affidavit is false and nothing has been concealed or misstated therein.

Verified at _____ on this _____ day of _____ of _____ (Year)

Signature of deponent

Solemnly affirmed and signed in my presence on ___ Day of ___ of ___ after reading the contents of this affidavit.

Notary/Oath Commissioner