

## REQUEST FOR A DEROGATION TO THE MINIMUM AGE OF ADMISSION TO KINDERGARTEN

According to section 241.1 of the *Education Act* and the *Regulation Respecting Exceptional Cases for Admission to Preschool and Elementary School Education* (R.S.Q., c.1-13.3), a child who is ready to begin preschool owing to his/her advanced intellectual, social, emotional and psychomotor skills <u>may</u> be admitted in certain circumstances.

In order to request a derogation, the following steps must be taken:

- 1. Parents must make an appointment with the school principal to discuss the derogation process and receive the information package.
- 2. If parents wish to pursue the request, they <u>must</u> then register their child with the school secretary.
- 3. Parents must provide an assessment report by a licensed psychologist supporting the early entrance of their child. This assessment must abide by the guidelines outlined in the l'Ordre des Psychologues du Québec (OPQ) document *Guidelines for the Assessment of a Child in Connection with a Request for Derogation to the Age of School Admission* (OPQ, May 2006). Parents will assume the full cost of the assessment. A Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board psychologist cannot be used for the purpose of this request. Parents may refer to the OPQ for a list of qualified psychologists (www.ordrepsy.qc.ca).

Parents are asked to provide the professional with the letter included in the information package.

- 4. Parents must forward the following documents to the school no later than April 12, 2019
  - The Request for Derogation form completed by the parents
  - An official letter by the parents to the school principal stating the reason for their request for the early admission of their child
  - A copy of the assessment report completed by the psychologist
  - The Daycare Checklist form completed by the childcare educator
  - The Consent for Information form completed by the parents indicating the name and information of the daycare and psychologist
- 5. The Derogation Committee will review the application and notify in writing the child's parents and school principal of the committee's decision to accept or refuse the derogation request.

## N.B.: No requests will be considered for children born after December 31st.

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