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	<p>15. Can a five year old child be assigned to first grade?</p>	<p>Yes. A student who is five years of age on or before September 1 of the current school year is automatically eligible for the first grade for the full school term (ADA eligibility code 1) if the student has completed public school kindergarten or has been enrolled in the first grade in a public school in another state prior to transferring to a Texas public school. [TEC §42.003, (c)] The term “enrolled” means actually receiving instruction by attendance in a public school rather than just being registered prior to receiving instruction.</p> <p>However, any five-year-old child may m.35a76.3-7(ng i)ng39Y</p>	

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18.	What are the room size requirements (minimum square feet) for kindergarten classrooms?	Classrooms for prekindergarten, kindergarten and first grade shall have a minimum of 36 square feet per pupil or 800 square feet per room.	TAC §61.1033, (d), (2), (A), (i) TAC §61.1036, (d), (5), (B), (i)
19.	Are children required to have a rest time in kindergarten?	Policy relating to rest time has always been determined at the local district level.	

20. How is age calculated for purposes of establishing eligibility?
 Age is always calculated as of September 1 of the current school year for the purposes of establishing eligibility.