DESCRIPTOR TERM: **Students**	**Millard District Policy** **File Code: 6005** **Approved: 10-10-24**

KINDERGARTEN ADMISSIONS AND ATTENDANCE

The Board of Education provides kindergarten classes free of charge for kindergarten children residing within the District.

Utah Code § 53G-7-203(2)(a) (2024)

A.   Half-Day Kindergarten

1.   For the students of each parent who requests half-day kindergarten, the District will provide a full-curriculum half-day kindergarten option for students which meets the standards for half-day kindergarten established by the State Board of Education. A half-day kindergarten student who is enrolled in a class that includes full-day kindergarten students will receive instruction that at least meets the minimum standards for half-day kindergarten established by the State Board of Education.

Utah Code § 53G-7-203(2)(b)(i), (vi) (2024)

2.   When a parent requests kindergarten registration for a student, the parent shall be provided the option to register for a designated full-curriculum half-day kindergarten. The parent shall also be informed of this registration option through email, posters, or other announcements. Parents shall also be informed regarding the additional educational resources and opportunities available to parents who select the half-day kindergarten option.

Utah Code § 53G-7-203(2)(b)(ii), (v) (2024)

3.   When enrollment of half-day kindergarten students at an individual school or a regional school exceeds 18 students, a dedicated half-day kindergarten class shall be designated and the school shall be designated as a half-day kindergarten provider for the improvement of recruiting teachers that prefer half-day teaching.

Utah Code § 53G-7-203(2)(b)(iii), (iv) (2024)

B.   Kindergarten Student Toilet Training

1.   "Toilet trained" means that a child can:
    a.   Communicate the need to use the bathroom to an adult;
    b.   Sit down on a toilet;
    c.   Use the toilet without assistance;

    d.   Undress and dress as necessary; and

    e.   Tend to personal hygienic needs after toileting.

2.   If an accident occurs, a toilet trained child can independently tend to hygienic needs and change clothes. A child is not toilet trained if the child has accidents with sufficient frequency to impact the educational experience of the child or the child's peers, as determined by the District.

Utah Code § 53G-7-203(6) (2024)
Utah Admin. Rules R277-631-2 (June 7, 2024)

3.   Toilet Training Requirement for Kindergarten Enrollment

    a.   A student may not be enrolled in kindergarten unless the student is toilet trained or the student's lack of toilet training results from a condition addressed by an Individualized Education Program (IEP) or Section 504 Plan. Prior to enrollment, the parent of each student to be enrolled shall provide assurance to the District that the student is toilet trained using the Confirmation of Toilet Training form contained in this Policy.

Utah Code § 53G-7-203(6)(a), (d) (2024)
Utah Admin. Rules R277-631-3(1), (2) (June 7, 2024)

4.   Addressing the Needs of Students Who are Not Toilet Trained

When a kindergarten student is determined to not be toilet trained, the District shall:

    a.   Consider whether the student's delay in toileting capability may be a sign of a disability that could impact the student's education and if appropriate shall conduct an initial evaluation under IDEA;

    b.   Refer the student and the student's parent to a school social worker or counselor:

        i.   To provide additional family supports and resources; and

        ii. To create an individualized plan to address the student's needs;

    c.   Establish the circumstances, if appropriate, under which a parent or a parent's adult designee may aid in toilet training; and

    d.   Coordinate with appropriate District personnel and parents to reintegrate the student, as appropriate, once the student has become toilet trained.

Utah Code § 53G-7-203(6)(c) (2024)
Utah Admin. Rules R277-631-3(3) (June 7, 2024)