

Department of Defense Education Activity **POLICY MEMORANDUM**

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POLICY AND LEGISLATION

SUBJECT: Non-Department of Defense Schools Program Minimum Age Requirement for Kindergarten and First Grade Dependents

<u>Purpose</u>. This Policy Memorandum establishes the age requirements for kindergarten and first grade students participating in the Non-Department of Defense Schools Program (NDSP).

<u>Applicability</u>. This Policy Memorandum applies to military and DoD civilian sponsors and their minor dependents assigned to overseas areas that have enrolled or are seeking to enroll their dependent children in non-DoD schools through the DoDEA NDSP.

Policy. It is DoDEA policy that:

DoD dependents under the NDSP will follow the host nation education authority age requirement for entrance into kindergarten and first grade. This Policy Memorandum supersedes any previous guidance for the NDSP minimum age requirements for kindergarten and first grade.

Effective Date. This Policy Memorandum is effective 1 January, 2011, and shall be incorporated into DoDEA Regulation 1035.1, "Use of Non-DoD Schools," within 1 year.

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