



Cheverus Catholic School

Birth Date Requirements for Early Childhood

At Cheverus it is our goal to meet the needs of all our students. To more effectively do this, we are changing our cut-off age requirements. Through our teachers' experience and outside research, it is evident that starting students who are younger can be detrimental to their academic, social emotional, and fine-motor development. Children who start school at an older age have been found to have a significant advantage over their younger classmates for years to come. Our focus is on the whole student and not just academics. We hope this change allows our students to thrive for years to come.

Here are our age requirements:

- **Preschool** students must turn 3 by November 30th to join that school year in September.
 - **Children whose birthdates are between September 16th and November 30th** will be required to be in our early childhood program for 3 years (this includes 3 advancing levels readying them for our rigorous Kindergarten)
- **Pre-K** students must turn 4 by September 15th to enroll.
 - Students born after **this date** will be required to complete a year of preschool in our advanced room and then a year of Pre-K before entering Kindergarten.
- **Kindergarten** students must turn 5 by September 15th
 - There is also a screening test they must pass to attend.

By signing below you are indicating you have read this document and understand it.

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