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| **IF TURNING** | **THEN ELIGIBLE FOR:** |
| 5 on or before 9/1  4 on or before 9/1  3 on or before 9/1 | Kindergarten  GSRP and Head Start  Head Start |
| 5 between 9/2-12/1  4 between 9/2-12/1  3 between 9/2-12/1 | Kindergarten, GSRP (1st or 2nd time) and Head Start  Head Start, GSRP (after 9/1)  HS/EHS transition (after 9/1) |
| **IF** | **THEN** |
| A child turns 3 on or after 12/2 | They can be enrolled on their 3rd birthday for Head Start during the current school year. |
| A child turns 4 on or after 12/2 | They are only eligible for Head Start and cannot be enrolled in GSRP. |

**Age Eligibility Chart**

Policy:

Head Start Age Requirements: 1302.12 (b)(2):(i) be at least three years old, or turn three years old by the date used to determine eligibility for public school in the community in which the Head Start program is located; (ii) be no older than the age required to attend school.

GSRP Age Requirements: GSRP Implementation Manual, Eligibility: a child must turn 4 years of age on or before September 1. However, a provision exists for parents who wish to request early enrollment for children who will turn 4 after September 1, but on or before December 1. Children turning 4 between September 2 and December 1 may not be considered for enrollment until September 1 or later.

Reference: 1302.12(b)(2), GSRP Eligibility

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