

## SUMMARY OF KINDERGARTEN ENTRANCE-AGE RESEARCH

2017-2018 Enrollment Data (as of: 10/25/17)

Class of 2030 (Current Kindergarten)		
<b>Total Students Enrolled</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>Total number of Students with summer birthdays who were age eligible for enrollment the prior academic year<sup>1</sup> (born before 9/1)</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>10.4%</b>
<b>Number of Students with spring birthdays who were age eligible for enrollment the prior academic year (born before 7/1)</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>5.2%</b>

Class of 2029 (Current Grade 1) <sup>2</sup>		
<b>Total Students Enrolled</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>Total number of Students with summer birthdays who were age eligible for enrollment the prior academic year (born before 9/1)</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>7.4%</b>
<b>Number of Students with spring birthdays who were age eligible for enrollment the prior academic year (born before 7/1)</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>5.1%</b>

Class of 2028 (Current Grade 2)		
<b>Total Students Enrolled</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>Total number of Students with summer birthdays who were age eligible for enrollment the prior academic year (born before 9/1)</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>11.2%</b>
<b>Number of Students with spring birthdays who were age eligible for enrollment the prior academic year (born before 7/1)</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>5.6%</b>

Class of 2027 (Current Grade 3)		
<b>Total Students Enrolled</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>Total number of Students with summer birthdays who were age eligible for enrollment the prior academic year (born before 9/1)</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>9.2%</b>
<b>Number of Students with spring birthdays who were age eligible for enrollment the prior academic year (born before 7/1)</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>5.3%</b>

<sup>1</sup> Note: The total number of students eligible for kindergarten entrance in the prior year (e.g., turned five in summer and did not enroll in kindergarten until the September in which they were 6) include eligible students with disabilities who, by decision of the student's IEP team, may have completed an additional full-year of our integrated or substantially separate pre-kindergarten program. This number also includes students who may be repeating their kindergarten year.

<sup>2</sup> Note: The data presented for grades 1-5 include additional enrollments due to typical attrition and/or students who moved into HPS.

<b>Class of 2026 (Current Grade 4)</b>		
<b>Total Students Enrolled</b>	<b>368</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>Total number of Students with summer birthdays who were age eligible for enrollment the prior academic year (born before 9/1)</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>7.3%</b>
<b>Number of Students with spring birthdays who were age eligible for enrollment the prior academic year (born before 7/1)</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>6.0%</b>

<b>Class of 2025 (Current Grade 5)</b>		
<b>Total Students Enrolled</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>Total number of Students with summer birthdays who were age eligible for enrollment the prior academic year (born before 9/1)</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>10.6%</b>
<b>Number of Students with spring birthdays who were age eligible for enrollment the prior academic year (born before 7/1)</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>4.7%</b>

**Benchmark Community Analysis - Thematic Trends**

(Communities researched: Acton-Boxborough, Andover, Braintree, Canton, Cohasset, Concord, Dedham, Dover, Duxbury, Hull, Marblehead, Milton, Needham, Newton, Norwell, Rockland, Scituate, Wayland, Wellesley, Weston, Westwood, Weymouth, Winchester)

- Of 24 benchmark communities, 22 had enrollment policies posted online for review; 8 communities require students to be 5 on or before 8/31 to enroll in kindergarten, 14 require students to be 5 on or before 9/1 to enroll in kindergarten.
- 10 communities make no mention of enrollment age for grade one; 1 community (Needham) mentioned that entrance age for grade 1 is “discretionary”; 13 communities require students to be 6 on or before either 8/31 or 9/1 to enroll in kindergarten.
- 3 communities make mention of “exceptions” to their entrance age policy (Braintree, Concord, Wellesley); three communities make specific mention of a “waiver” to the entrance age policy (Norwell, Duxbury, Wayland), with Newton making mention of a “consideration of both chronological age and readiness” but does not make mention of how this provision is enacted.