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CIRCULAR

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Subject: Guidelines for admission at Entry Level from the academic session 2026-27 according to New Education Policy (NEP) 2020.

Dear parents,

Please note that Directorate of Education, through its circular DE.23 (749)/Sch.Br./2025/976 dated 24.10.2025, has issued revised guidelines for the age of admission of children at the entry level to align with the provisions of the New Education Policy (NEP) 2020, effective from the academic session 2026–27.

Age Criteria for Admission and year of implementation as per Govt. Circular :

Class/ Level	Equivalent Stage	Age as on 31st March of the Academic Year	Effective Session
Nursery	<i>BalVatika – I / Pre-School – I</i>	3+ years up to 4 years	2026–27
Lower KG	<i>BalVatika – II / Pre-School – II</i>	4+ years up to 5 years	2027–28
Upper KG	<i>BalVatika – III / Pre-School – III</i>	5+ years up to 6 years	2028–29
Class I	—	6+ years up to 7 years	Fully applicable from 2028–29

Important Notes :-

1. The new age criteria will apply only to new PRE School/ Nursery admissions from the 2026–27 session onwards.
2. Existing students enrolled in Nursery, KG/Prep., or Class I during the 2025–26 session will not be affected by the revised criteria.
3. Students transferring from any recognized school and possessing a valid School Leaving Certificate (SLC) and mark sheet will be exempted from the age criteria for admission to the next higher class.
4. The uniform 6+ years age rule for Class I will be fully implemented from the academic session 2028–29.

With regards
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Principal