

Charter Student Admission Application (CSAA) Guidance for Charter Schools with Prekindergarten as an Approved Grade Level

Student Eligibility for Prekindergarten

Open-enrollment charter schools providing a prekindergarten program must follow the [high-quality program standards for prekindergarten](#) when serving students, as outlined in Texas Education Code (TEC) Chapter 29, Subchapter E-1 and Title 19 of the Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §102.1003. A student is qualified to participate in a high-quality prekindergarten program if the student is four years of age on September 1 of the year the student begins the program and meets the following eligibility requirements:

- (1) is unable to speak and comprehend the English language;
- (2) is educationally disadvantaged;
- (3) is a homeless child, as defined by 42 United States Code §11434a, regardless of the residence of the child, of either parent of the child, or of the child's guardian or other person having lawful control of the child;
- (4) is the child of an active duty member of the armed forces of the United States, including the