REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION FROM KINDERGARTEN ATTENDANCE

As per the Code of Maryland Regulations 13A.08.01.02, all children in the State of Maryland who will be five years old by September 1st of the school year are required to attend kindergarten.

This state mandate does, however, permit alternatives to attendance at a regular public or private school kindergarten. This is reflected in Calvert County Public Schools’ Student Attendance Policy and Procedures, #3005 and #3005.1.

If you do not wish to have your child attend kindergarten, please complete the following information.

NAME OF CHILD: ____________________________________  CHILD’S DATE OF BIRTH: ______________________

NAME OF SCHOOL STUDENT WOULD ATTEND: _____________________________

SCHOOL YEAR REQUESTED FOR EXEMPTION: ________________________________________________

PARENT OR GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: ____________________________  DATE: ______________________

PARENT OR GUARDIAN NAME - PLEASE PRINT: ____________________________________________

ADDRESS: ________________________________________________

         (Street)         (City/State)         (Zip Code)

HOME PHONE: __________________________  WORK PHONE: __________________________

Please indicate the alternative that you plan to follow by placing a check (✓) beside your choice and providing all pertinent information requested.

A. _____ I plan to request a one year “level of maturity” waiver because I believe a delay in school attendance is in the best interest of my child. Student would be required to attend kindergarten next school year.

       A letter of request addressed to the Superintendent of Schools should be attached to this form.

B. _____ I plan to enroll my five year old in the following alternative program as checked and will have my child attend first grade next school year per COMAR 13A.08.01.02-2 (B-3):

   1. _____ Full-time licensed child care center
   2. _____ Full-time registered family day care home
   3. _____ Part-time in a Head Start five year old program

       The following information is required for any of the alternative programs:

       Name of Alternative Program: _________________________________________________

       Address of Alternative Program: _____________________________________________

       (Street)  (City)  (State)  (Zip Code)

*NOTE: When enrolling a child for first grade, the parent/guardian must show proof of attendance in the alternative kindergarten program including dates of enrollment and number of days child was present and absent.

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY CHILD CARE PROVIDER OR PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Signature of Provider/Program Director: ________________________________

Child Care/Day Care/ Program License or Registration Number: __________________________

Expiration Date: __________________________

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