

**FSM ASSOCIATION OF CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS (FACSSO)
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA**

RESOLUTION #FR 10-09

A Resolution

A resolution endorsing the official age group for enrolling in FSM Early Childhood Education Program.

WHEREAS, the Division of Early Childhood Education under the States Departments of Education shall provide for essential pre-school services and may establish and maintain a kindergarten class as a part of any public primary school where there is a kindergarten enrollment of at least 15 students,

WHEREAS, infants to five year olds are systematically screen by the Department of Education Special Education Services for psychological, health, dental, and nutritional deficiencies or delays before enrolling in FSM preschool or Early Childhood Education,

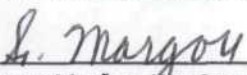
WHEREAS, studies have supported that five years of age is deemed appropriate and capable of receiving preschool services for the aforementioned above as well as academic or instructional support given through the special care and supervision of a teacher, teacher aide, parents or an adult,

WHEREAS, preschool children who will have reached the age of five years on or before December 31 of the school calendar year, shall be eligible in age to enroll in Early Childhood Education Center or similar preschool settings,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by FACSSO that the National Department of Education and the State Departments of Education collaborate and synchronize their efforts and resources in implementing five year of age as the official age requirement for entering into the FSM Childhood Education System.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT National Department of Education develop policy, guide, curriculum standards and benchmarks for Early Childhood Education that are highly appropriate and respective of age.

Signed on this 23th day of October 2010.



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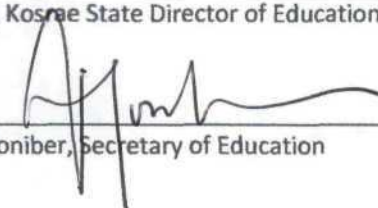


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