



## Procedure for postponing the school start for children with special needs

In Gentofte Kommune there is a procedure for how to apply for postponing the school start for children with special needs.

If either you as parents or the kindergarten don't believe that your child is ready to start school, you must apply for postponing school start no later than 10 October the year before your child would have started school on regular terms.

It is you as parents who must apply for postponed school start. This is done in close collaboration with the kindergarten.

When applying for postponed school start for children with special needs, you must enclose previously prepared, relevant documentation from PPR (Pædagogisk Psykologisk Rådgivning) and/or other professionals as well as an action plan from the daycare facility describing the development your child is expected to go through.

The application form can be found at Gentofte Kommune's webpage under "School enrolment" or at your child's daycare.

You must send the application and action plan via Digital Post. Write "School enrolment - Postponed school start" in the subject field.

Then the Visitation Committee for postponed school start that, on behalf of the municipal council, makes a decision on whether the application is approved.

You will receive the decision in your e-Boks.

### Principles and criteria for postponement the school start

In Gentofte Kommune, the goal is for all children to start school the year they turn 6 years old. Based on this, it is important that parents, daycare facilities and other involved parties work together to support the individual child's school readiness.

In Gentofte Kommune, a postponement of the school start for children with special needs must be based on an individual evaluation of the child. The starting point is that the postponement must be based on an expectation that the child, after an extra year in kindergarten, will be able to be enrolled in a school-setup which is closer to the ordinary school system, than would have been the case if the postponement had not been made.

Postponement of the school start for children with special needs will in principle not be possible solely based on special educational needs, as schools also provide special educational assistance for children with special needs.