

- (3) No fees shall be payable by pupils attending a kindergarten school.
- (4) The school shall be open to inspection at all reasonable times by officers of the Education and Public Health Departments in the same way as a public school.
- (5) The head teacher shall keep such registers of admission and attendance and furnish such returns of attendance on forms provided by the Education Department as the Director may from time to time require.
- (6) The computation of the average attendance of a kindergarten school shall in all respects be made in accordance with the practice in public schools.
- (7) Without the approval of the Director no names shall be included in the official school register except those of pupils between three and five years of age; provided that the names of pupils may be retained on the register till the 1st January or 1st July, whichever may be the nearer after they reach the age of five years, and provided further that the names of physically or mentally defective children who are deemed unfit for attendance at a public school may be retained on the register until they reach the age of seven years.
- (8) The school shall be kept open for the instruction of pupils for not less than thirty-seven weeks in each calendar year, and the hours of attendance shall be not less than two and a half hours on each school day.
- (9) No religious instruction of a sectarian character shall be given in ordinary school hours, and no distinction on the ground of religious denomination shall be made either in the choice of teachers or in the admission of pupils.
- (10) Each association shall keep full and true accounts, and shall cause its accounts for each year to be balanced and true statements to be prepared showing—
- (a) All moneys received and paid during the year.
 - (b) The income and expenditure for the year.
 - (c) The assets and liabilities at the end of the year.
- Such accounts and statements shall be audited by a competent person, and shall be open to inspection by an officer appointed by the Minister, and copies of the statements shall be sent to the Director of Education within three months of the close of the year.
- (11) Kindergarten schools shall give to students from training colleges opportunities for observation and practice in kindergarten teaching.
2. On receipt of claims in the required form capitation shall be payable in quarterly instalments on the average attendance of those pupils qualified for enrolment in accordance with paragraph (7) of clause 1 hereof.
 3. Such capitation shall not exceed £4 per annum for each pupil in average attendance nor 25s. for every 20s. raised by voluntary contributions and expended on the maintenance of the schools by the association during any year.
 4. If in any year an association raises, by means of voluntary contributions, more money than it expends in that year, the unexpended portion may be carried forward to a subsequent year, and if then expended may be included in the amount on which capitation is claimed, provided that the accounts show clearly the sums so carried forward.
 5. Subsidies not exceeding £1 for £1 may be paid on voluntary contributions raised by an association and expended on buildings, sites, and equipment approved by the Minister.
 6. In connection with their training student teachers from kindergarten schools may, with the approval of the Education Board, attend public schools for the purpose of observation and practice in teaching.

XIV. EXAMINATION FOR ELEMENTARY KINDERGARTEN CERTIFICATES.

1. An examination for elementary kindergarten certificates shall be held annually during the month of November or December at such centres as the Director may appoint.
2. Candidates before admission to examination for the certificate must—
 - (a) Have passed the Matriculation Examination or its equivalent, or have reached a standard of education approved by the Director of Education; and
 - (b) Have completed, by the end of the year in which the examination is held, a course of two years' service and training in a school or schools under the direction of one of the recognized kindergarten associations of the Dominion, or in some other school approved for this purpose by the Director of Education.
3. Application for admission to examination shall be made on a form to be obtained from the secretary of a kindergarten association, or from the