

## What are the Benefits of Transitional Kindergarten?

**Transitional Kindergarten** prepares students for the social and academic expectations of Kindergarten the following year.

**Transitional Kindergarten** gives children the opportunity to access California's Standards for Kindergarten in a classroom that implements small groups and "hands on" learning some of the key academic skills taught include:

### *Reading*

- Concepts of print.
- Oral language Development.
- Phonological awareness with emphasis on sound awareness, association of sounds with symbols and the manipulation of sounds.
- Vocabulary development.
- Listening comprehension.

### *Math*

- Concepts of numbers (count, recognize, name, compare and order a number of objects).
- Numeric representation.
- Concepts of addition and subtraction.
- Sorting and classifying objects based on attributes including common geometric shapes.



## Registration information

**Registration packets are now available online**

1. Complete online registration packet
2. Call your home school to make an appointment to submit required paperwork.

## For more information

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## *Kindergarten and Beyond*



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## What is Transitional Kindergarten?

**Transitional Kindergarten** is the first year of a two-year Kindergarten program that uses a modified Kindergarten curriculum that is age and developmentally appropriate.

Due to Senate Bill 1381 and the increasingly academic demands of Kindergarten, Transitional Kindergarten is designed to support students who turn five years old from September 2 to December 2. You can determine if your child is eligible for Transitional Kindergarten by using the following chart:

<i>Eligible Class</i>	<i>Fifth Birthdates</i>
TK students	9/2/14 to 12/02/14
TK Waiting List	Students with fifth birthdates from 8/2/14 to 9/1/14 (summer birthdates will be admitted as space permits)
Kindergarten	Must be five years old by 9/1/14

This program will provide children with the social and academic skills for success throughout their school experience.

## What will Transitional Kindergarten look like?

**Transitional Kindergarten** follows the same schedule as Kindergarten with a half-day program. Transitional Kindergarteners enjoy snack and recess with their Kindergarten friends and participate in all Kindergarten activities and assemblies.

The daily schedule includes lessons and activities presented through whole group instruction, small group instruction, and independent “hands on” opportunities.



*Transitional Kindergarten...  
Preparing each child for success in  
Kindergarten and beyond*

## How can families be involved in Transitional Kindergarten?



Family involvement is very important to a child’s success. Communication between home and school is essential in helping your child succeed. Active participation in a child’s educational journey is encouraged both at school and at home.

Assessments and teacher observations will be used to monitor your child’s progress throughout the year. Your child’s teacher will communicate with you regularly to discuss your child’s progress and how you can support him/her at home.

At the end of the Transitional Kindergarten year, your child will promote to a Kindergarten classroom.