

**Palomar Council
November 2011
Kindergarten Readiness Act**



Kindergarten Readiness Act Desired Outcomes

- Update Palomar Council on Senate Bill 1381, the Kindergarten Readiness Act
- Clarify District plans to rename PEPP as Transitional Kindergarten (TK)
- Seek Council assistance with parent communication about SB 1381 at school sites

SB 1381

Kindergarten Readiness Act

- Moves up the state's entry date for kindergarten students to September 1 through a multi-year, phase-in requirement for all CA school districts
- Establishes a Transitional Kindergarten program for children whose 5th birthdays fall after the cut off date

Timeline

School Year	5 th Birthday on or before:
2012-13	November 1
2013-14	October 1
2014-15	September 1

There is no change to the eligibility date in 2011-12!



What is Transitional Kindergarten?



- The first of a two year kindergarten program
- Poway Extended Primary Program (PEPP), is a model
- Provides developmentally appropriate curriculum and instruction to K standards
- Is required by SB 1381

Progress to Date on TK

- District Representation on SDCOE committee 2010-11
- Updated PUSD Board Policy 3.4, Kindergarten Admission
- PEPP teacher representatives at SDCOE Summer TK Summit



Progress to Date on TK

- PEPP TLC in progress District-wide
- PEPP Network facilitated by Sal Embry
- Communication to sites and parents

PEPP



TK

- Alignment of kindergarten standards to appropriate development standards for Year One of TK
- Identify curricular resources that support the standards in both years of TK
- Articulate with Preschool regarding impact on their program
- Evaluate numbers of students over the next 3 years and plan to expand TK as needed

How can Palomar Council help?

- Build awareness of Kindergarten Readiness Act
- Offer to assist principal with parent communication about changes in enrollment dates and/or TK
- Serve as a communication liaison between parent community and principal

