

## **KINDERGARTEN READINESS ACT CHANGES ELIGIBILITY DATES FOR ENROLLMENT IN 2012-2013**

The Kindergarten Readiness Act, SB 1381, moves up the state's entry birth date for kindergarten students to September 1 through a multi-year, phase-in requirement for all California School Districts. The following will be observed:

<u>School year</u>	<u>5<sup>th</sup> Birthday on or before</u>
2012-13	November 1
2013-14	October 1
2014-15	September 1

The law also creates a program called ***Transitional Kindergarten***, which is the first of a two-year kindergarten program for students whose 5<sup>th</sup> birthday falls after the legal entry birth date through December 2<sup>nd</sup>. The current Poway Extended Primary Program (PEPP) meets these requirements and is being renamed the Transitional Kindergarten Program. As we have in the past, we will continue to allow children whose 5<sup>th</sup> birthday is between June 1 and December 2 to enroll in the two-year Transitional Kindergarten.

For Transitional Kindergarten enrollment information for the 2012-13 school year, please refer to the District or your home school's website in early spring.