

Transitional Kindergarten 2012-2013

In accordance with the Kindergarten Readiness Act, students who turn 5 between November 1st and December 2nd will be enrolled in a Transitional Kindergarten Program. In addition to offering Transitional Kindergarten to the required students under the Kindergarten Readiness Act, PUSD will also allow students with birthdays between June 1st and October 31st to enroll in the Transitional K program.

Transitional Kindergarten (PEPP) has been in Poway schools for over 10 years and is modeled after successful programs in other school districts. The program offers a developmental curriculum with instruction geared toward individual needs. Transitional Kindergarten is not intended as a remedial or special services program, but rather a developmentally appropriate first year of kindergarten, preparing students for a smooth transition to a traditional kindergarten classroom the following year.

Transitional Kindergarten is offered at several schools within our District. Placement in Transitional Kindergarten is offered first to students according to the following priority:

1. Students who turn five between November 1st and December 2nd living within the attendance boundaries of the school offering Transitional Kindergarten
2. Students who turn five between November 1st and December 2nd who do not live within the attendance boundaries of a school offering Transitional Kindergarten
3. Students who turn five between June 1st and October 31st living within the attendance boundaries of the school offering Transitional Kindergarten
4. Students who turn five between June 1st and October 31st who do not live within the attendance boundaries of a school offering Transitional Kindergarten

Parents wishing to transfer their child into a Transitional Kindergarten class MUST notify their home school at the time of enrollment. Your home school will then place your child on the transfer list. Beginning June 1, the assigned PEPP school site will notify parents on the transfer list of an opening in Transitional Kindergarten. The parent will then be given 48 hours to enroll.

Students that participate in Transitional Kindergarten will be attending school daily on the half-day kindergarten schedule. They will also be eligible for Extended Student Services (ESS) for before and after school care.

Should you have any questions about Transitional Kindergarten, please call your local neighborhood school or Sal Embry, Transitional Kindergarten Coordinator, at (858) 487-1180