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LOWELL JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT Transitional Kindergarten



A Two-Year Kindergarten Program

FOR CHILDREN WHO WILL TURN FIVE BETWEEN SEPTEMBER 2, 2023 AND APRIL 2, 2024



"Home of Scholars and Champions"

Background Information

The Kindergarten Readiness Act changed the entry date for public education. Now children turning 5 years old between <u>September 2, 2023 and April 2, 2024</u> may participate in an early year of Kindergarten. The Transitional Kindergarten (TK) program gives our youngest students an early start and provides them with the opportunity to learn and grow in an environment tailored to meet their academic needs.

Guaranteed placement is for students whose fifth birthday falls between September 2, 2023 – April 2, 2024.

Space Available Placement will be provided in chronological order for students whose fifth birthday falls between April 3, 2024 – end of the school year.

What is a Transitional Kindergarten class?

TK is the first year of a two-year Kindergarten program and is designed to build a solid foundation for success in school. The TK curriculum is a bridge between preschool curriculum and the much more rigorous Kindergarten California Content Standards.

Where will the Transitional Kindergarten class be offered? Transitional Kindergarten classes will be offered at all of the Lowell Joint School District Elementary Schools based on enrollment and space. Parents are responsible for transporting children to and from school.



How can I register my child for the TK Class?

Beginning on February 8, 2023, TK welcome materials through Aeries online will be available on each of the elementary schools website and on the District's website at www.ljsd.org. You may also pick up a paper packet in the office of your school of residence.



Transitional Kindergarten Curriculum

TK is taught by a credentialed teacher with early childhood expertise. The program uses a unique, specialized curriculum that is based on the California Preschool Learning Foundations through Kindergarten Standards but is designed explicitly to support the social-emotional, physical, and academic needs of students. Lowell Joint's TK classes promote structured play, small-group instruction, and hands-on experiential activities. This program provides our young 5-year-olds with the gift of time, enabling them to begin traditional Kindergarten the following year ready to thrive.

For more information, contact the Principal of your local elementary school or Dr. Sheri McDonald, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services, or Mrs. Rhonda Overby, Director of Educational Services, at (562) 902-4270.