

Transitional Kindergarten (TK) Important Dates and FAQs 2022

February 22, 2022: Online Registration Opens [here](#)

April 12, 2022: Deadline for TK registrations. Later registrations are wait listed

April 15, 2022: Online After School Care Registration opens [here](#)

May 13, 2022: Parents notified of TK sites if not placed at their home school.

August 24, 2022: First day of school!

1. Why is TK not being offered at Foothill? Is this a possibility or guaranteed?

At this time, TK is not being offered at Foothill. It is possible that enrollment interests could change this decision or lower enrollment numbers could result in less than 8 TK classes. We will be watching our enrollments very closely and encouraging all interested families to register by April 12, 2022, to help with staffing and TK site decisions.

2. How/when will I know if my child will NOT be admitted into our neighborhood TK class? If my child is not admitted to our neighborhood school, where will my child be transferred?

You are encouraged to enroll your incoming TK child as soon as possible once registration opens on February 22, 2022. The sooner you register, the more likely your child will be admitted into your neighborhood school. If it is the case that your child will not attend your neighborhood school, they will be offered a spot at a school nearby. The district will contact you by May 13 if your child will NOT have a seat at your neighborhood school. At that point, you will have a choice whether or not to accept the offered spot.

3. Where is Kinderbridge located? Will transportation be provided between the school and afterschool location? Is space limited?

Kinderbridge is located at each school site and is typically located in the TK/K area of each school site. No transportation will be provided from site to site. Your child would attend the Kinderbridge program at their TK school site. Due to limited space, parents interested in the Kinderbridge (1:30-3:00) and After School Session (3:00-5:00) should enroll on April 15, 2022 at the GUSD.us Expanded Learning website [here](#).

4. Does my incoming TK child need to be potty trained? Will there be bathrooms inside of the TK classrooms?

We STRONGLY encourage you to potty train your child before the start of the school year. Teachers will not be responsible for changing soiled clothes. Students will be sent to the school office to change if they are wet or wait for their parents to pick them up if they have had a bowel movement. Students will not wear diapers or pull ups unless this is addressed in a special education student's Individual Education Plan (IEP). TK classrooms are located near a bathroom. Teachers will encourage students to use the bathroom during breaks and will access additional staff to support bathroom needs throughout the program.

5. If I already have a child enrolled in El Camino's Dual Language Immersion (DLI) Kindergarten and have an incoming TK child, will my TK child have priority for admission?

As often as possible we want to keep families together. Special considerations for El Camino's DLI program include: having a sibling who is already attending the DLI program, those families residing in El Camino's residence area, and the children of El Camino's DLI staff. A lottery will be implemented if enrollment exceeds available class openings.

El Camino DLI 03/08/2022 - 5:30p.m.

Click [HERE](#) to access the Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID/Passcode: 927 2718 7747# / dolphins

6. If I am in the El Camino attendance area and do not want to enroll my child in the DLI program, how can we transfer to another site?

You will have the option to note this on the online enrollment form.

7. What type of training will TK teachers receive?

All TK teachers will have a teaching credential and additional Early Childhood Education units. They will also receive ongoing training throughout the upcoming years as we continue to expand our TK program onto all nine of our school sites.

8. Do TK students have a nap time or lunch time?

TK students will have a similar schedule to the traditional kindergarten program. There is no nap time, however, families will be able to participate in the free lunch program and choose to send a healthy snack to school for morning recess.

9. How many students will be in a TK classroom?

Class size will be dependent on overall TK enrollment. Classes will not exceed 24 students. Sites are required to keep a 12 student to 1 teacher ratio.