

Transitional Kindergarten is Here at El Rancho Unified School District!

What is Transitional Kindergarten?

Transitional Kindergarten is a **bridge between preschool and kindergarten** for children turning 5 years old between October 2 and December 2 of the 2013-14 school year. It gives young learners a head start, and provides them with an **opportunity to learn and grow** in an environment that is tailored to meet their academic and social needs.

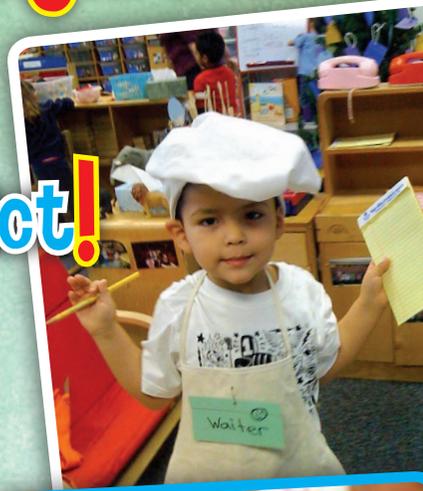
Transitional Kindergarten:

- Is part of the El Rancho Unified School District and is **free for families!**
- Uses a unique, **specialized curriculum** that is based on the Kindergarten standards and is designed to support young 5 year olds.
- Is taught by **credentialed teachers.**
- Will be offered at four sites based on geographical locations in Pico Rivera, unless **enrollment numbers continue to grow** and can be implemented at every elementary school site.

Why is Transitional Kindergarten good for kids?

- Provides children with an opportunity to learn in an **enriching and academically challenging environment** that nurtures their growth.
- Research shows that children who attend Kindergarten readiness programs, like transitional Kindergarten, are more likely to **do well in school** and attend college.
- Offering transitional Kindergarten will help all of our kids get the **best start possible**, with curriculum that is designed just for them.

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What happens in a Transitional Kindergarten Classroom?

In transitional kindergarten, teachers help children develop **social skills** through activities that build confidence and communication.

- **CLASSROOM FACILITY AND TEACHER:**

Transitional Kindergarteners have their **own classroom** with their **own teacher** or may be integrated with a Kindergarten class.

- **LENGTH OF SCHOOL DAY:** The length of day is the same as the Kindergarten class at the school.

- **CURRICULUM AND LEARNING:** They learn important new skills like **hands on learning in math concepts, emergent literacy and positive socialization skills** that build on what they may have learned in preschool and help them adjust to the elementary school environment.

- **LEARNING ENVIRONMENT:**

They learn by working with the teacher in **small and large groups** and also have opportunities for **independent exploration**.

How can I learn more?

To learn more about transitional Kindergarten in your area call the school your child will be attending or our District Office at **(562) 801-5206**.

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