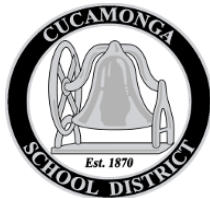


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TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN

A Developmental
Kindergarten Program
2022-2023



For Children Who Will Turn Five
By September 2, 2022

QUESTIONS PARENTS OFTEN ASK:

What is a Transitional Kindergarten class?

Transitional Kindergarten uses a modified curriculum that is age and developmentally appropriate for the students in an effort to prepare them for kindergarten. The transitional kindergarten program is the first of a two-year kindergarten program designed to build a solid foundation for success in school. For the 2022-2023 school year, students who turn five between September 2—February 2, 2023 will be placed in the transitional kindergarten class.

Where will the Transitional Kindergarten class be held?

Cucamonga Elementary School, Los Amigos Elementary School, and THE ONTARIO CENTER SCHOOL.

What is a developmental program?

A developmental program promotes each child's progress in all three areas of growth: physical, intellectual, and social-emotional. Much care is given to providing a rich, stimulating environment in which active learning is the hallmark—where each child develops and practices the physical and social-emotional skills that naturally accompany the four and five-year old's intellectual growth.

The transitional kindergarten program offers the young child “the gift of time” - an additional year to grow and learn in an environment that supports differences in growth and maturity rates.

The goals of the program are to develop each child's:

- Sense of worth
- Confidence in his/her learning ability
- Excitement for learning and for the opportunities presented at school
- Positive relationships with peers

These are the vital building blocks that lead to success in learning.

How can my child qualify for the Transitional Kindergarten program?

Cucamonga students registering for Kindergarten will be assessed at their home schools. You and your child will meet with the school Kindergarten teacher for this assessment. He/She will talk with your child and ask him/her to draw, build with blocks, and do other tasks useful in assessing the readiness of our children. The results of your child's assessment will be reviewed, and a recommendation for Kindergarten placement will be shared with you.

How will the Transitional Kindergarten program help my child?

The Transitional Kindergarten program helps children:

- Develop positive self-images
- Establish productive social and working relationships with their peers through cooperative play situations
- Develop self-direction and assume responsibility for themselves and their environments
- Develop vocabulary, listening and memory skills, and the ability to follow directions
- Develop small muscle skills needed for eye/hand coordination and large muscle skills needed for balance and ball skills
- Solve problems and make decisions in social and academic situations
- Develop overall readiness and enthusiasm for learning

How will I know how my child is doing in the Transitional Kindergarten class?

Each teacher will work closely with parents. Parent meetings, reports, and frequent classroom visits are planned. In addition, parents are welcome to join in many Transitional Kindergarten activities. Meetings will be held to answer questions and to give parents information on how to help their children at home.

How can I find out more about this program?

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