

Transitional Kindergarten

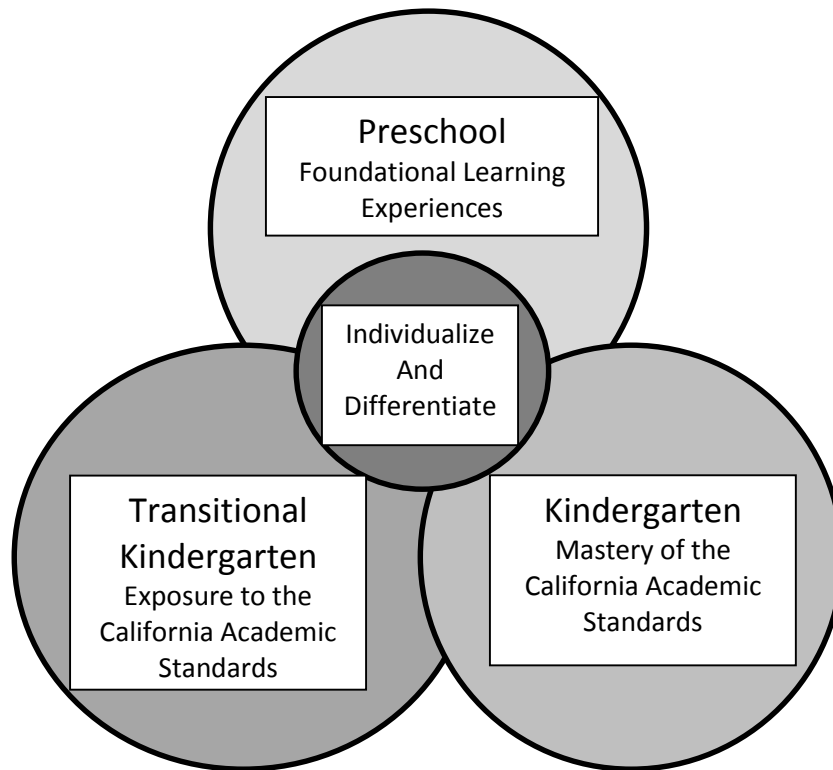
A Two-Year Kindergarten Program

What is a Transitional Kindergarten class?

Transitional Kindergarten (TK) is the first year of a two-year Kindergarten program and is designed to build a solid foundation for success in school for “young” five-year-olds. Students must turn 5 by December 2nd of the current school year. The TK integrated curriculum is a bridge between preschool curriculum and the much more rigorous Kindergarten Academic Standards. It utilizes The Preschool Learning Foundations and California’s Academic Standards for kindergarten.

What is the difference between TK and traditional Kindergarten?

- TK blends preschool and Kindergarten Academic Standards with intentional, individualized, and differentiated instruction. TK students master the Preschool Foundations and work towards an emerging or developing skillset in the Kindergarten Academic Standards.
- Traditional Kindergarten curriculum is based solely on the Kindergarten Academic Standards with high expectations of rigor, relevance, and student mastery.



What can I expect in Transitional Kindergarten?

- Well-rounded exposure to academics and arts
- Specialized instruction in Music, Computer and PE
- Spiritual development through instruction and Wednesday Chapel
- Arts and music are valued as critical to development and integrated daily
- Hands on science and math activities build critical thinking skills
- Language arts development in areas of pre-writing, pre-reading, phonemic awareness
- Opportunities for oral language development are given freely and planned
- Choice and free play are encouraged
- Fine and gross motor activities are explored
- Parent volunteers welcome to help at learning centers
- Kindergarten Academic Standards-Based Report Card