TK and K Information Night Pop In!

For Preschool Families in Special Education and our Community

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Tonight’s Agenda

- Quick Review of Special Education Programs in OUSD
- What are the steps for enrolling for TK and K?
- Time for Questions and Answers!
Is My Child the Right Age?

**Kindergarten (K):** Turns 5 On or Before: September 1st, 2024

**Transitional Kindergarten (TK):** Turns 5 on or Between: September 2nd, 2024 - June 2nd, 2025

Turns 5 after June 2nd, 2025...they stay in PreK. :)

Age Eligibility Calculator 2024-25
How do we determine what program your child with an IEP needs?

We have a transition IEP!

- You will talk about your child’s progress and what goals they should be working on next year.
- Together we think about a set of services we believe your child will need to be successful in TK or Kindergarten.
- Then the team talks about a program that is best aligned to meet those needs.

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Continuum of Special Education Programs

Moderate-Extensive Self-Contained Class → Moderate and MM Self-Contained Class

More special education support for a student, smaller classes

These programs are not at every school site.

These services can be supported at every school in OUSD.

Inclusive Services → Speech only services → Itinerant Services only (VI and DHH only)

Less direct special education support for a student, more access to general education, and larger classes
Take Away #1:
The IEP team can’t decide a specific school.

They can only work with you to decide goals and services that are best aligned to a special education program for TK or K.
Questions?

If you haven’t had a transition meeting, or don’t understand what program your child needs...

Please contact your child’s special education case manager.

We can also connect you with the correct person to help you if you ask for help in the chat!
Once you have worked with your IEP team to decide a program that is best for your child, you have to apply through Enrollwise for a school location.

ALL families transitioning to Kindergarten need to enroll.

*If your child is going to an inclusion program in TK, they also need to enroll!*
Our school board has determined these priorities for enrolling students in a school. Often, families are put on waitlists for schools that are more popular.

**The Waitlist**

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**The Prioritization Process**

- Continuing students
- Foster Youth
- Siblings of current students
- Neighborhood residents
- Children of that school’s staff
- Oakland residents
- Non-Oakland residents
The Enrollwise Algorithm Also Considers:

- Where are the appropriate programs for this student located? (MM, ESN SCP, etc.)
- What programs have space for this student next year?
- What is the family's school preference indicated in EnrollWise?
Your neighborhood school is the school that you live closest to (in general) as defined by district catchment boundaries.

Your child’s neighborhood school is:

- Listed on your child’s IEP
- And can be searched for using your address on this website:
  - https://www.chooseousd.org/

**NOTE:** If we don’t have your correct address in AERIES, your neighborhood school will be **incorrect** in EnrollWise.
Where are the different special education programs in OUSD?

You can find them in our updated program guide!

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1d_PAQpiSmsFoj9OQnIxOVvyjBG8t8QWV0V2hWggrpk/edit?usp=sharing

And on Enrollwise by searching!

https://youtu.be/ym1KLVAR6cA
What about charter schools?

Most charter schools are in a different SELPA than Oakland. That means most will have their own special education programs and systems.

**OUSD Special Education does not help with this type of placement.** Please reach out to the individual charter school if you are interested with your child’s IEP.
Questions?
¿Preguntas?
In OUSD, we require all families to complete a short enrollment process at each natural transition (i.e. incoming K, 6, 9, Young Adult). Enrollment is important because:

- It helps us understand your school site preferences;
- It helps school staff plan to welcome your child proactively;
- It allows our district to have an accurate count of how many students we expect to be at each school in August.
Enrollment Timeline For All TK and K Families

School Tours - Starting NOW!

Enrollment opens 12/1/23

On-time Enrollment Deadline 2/10/24

Families who apply on time receive their school assignments 3/6/24
If you have not enrolled via EnrollWise by February 10th your child’s placement may be delayed AND there will be less spots available for your child.
Student Welcome Center

Text / Call:
510-879-4600

Email:
enroll@ousd.org

Want more information?

FAQ

ousd.org/enroll

www.chooseousd.org
We Can Help Too!

Make an enrollment appointment at Burbank!

Elena's Calendly: https://calendly.com/maria-perez-qjq/kinder-enrollment

Carrin's Calendly: https://calendly.com/carrin-ayala/enrollment

Or go to our enrollment center at:

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Thank You for Coming Tonight!
Final Questions?