



# Revision of Board Policy 6170.1: Transitional Kindergarten

Board Meeting  
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# Transitional Kindergarten

## SCUSD CORE VALUE

We recognize that our system is inequitable by design and we vigilantly work to confront and interrupt inequities that exist to level the playing field and provide opportunities for everyone to learn, grow and reach their greatness.

## SCUSD GUIDING PRINCIPLE

All students are given an equal opportunity to graduate with the greatest number of postsecondary choices from the widest array of options

# Acronyms

<b>AB</b>	Assembly Bill
<b>BOE</b>	Board of Education
<b>DRDP</b>	Desired Results Developmental Profile
<b>ELA</b>	English Language Arts
<b>EL</b>	English Learner
<b>ELC</b>	Early Learning and Care
<b>IEP</b>	Individualized Education Plan
<b>LEA</b>	Local Education Agency
<b>TK</b>	Transitional Kindergarten

# Agenda

1. Driving Governance
2. Overview of Board Policy 6170.1
3. Policy Changes
4. Next Steps
5. Question and Answer

# Driving Governance

Assembly Bill (AB) 130 (2021)

- Requires any local educational agency (LEA) operating a Kindergarten to also provide a TK program for all 4-year-old children by 2025–26.
- Full day learning program through partnerships with expanded learning offerings:
  - After School Education and Safety Program
  - The CA State Preschool Program,
  - Head Start Program
  - Other community-based early learning and care programs

# Policy Outline

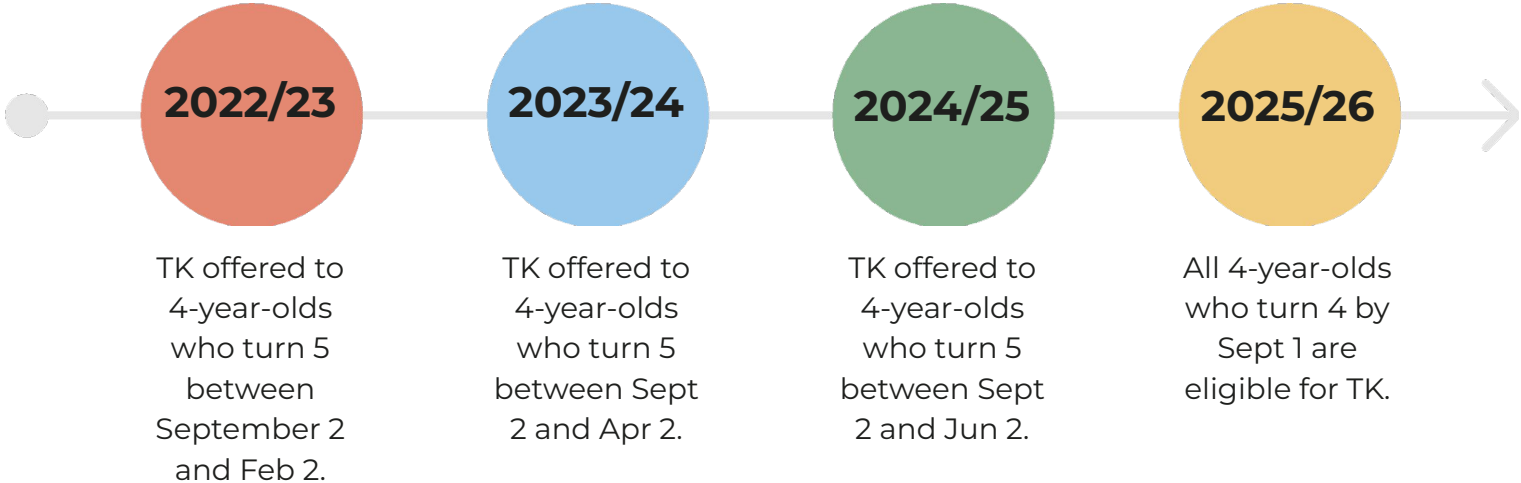
- Eligibility
- Out of District Transfers
- Waivers
- Curriculum and Instruction
- Staffing
- Continuation to Kindergarten
- Program Evaluation

# Proposed Policy Revision - *Overarching*

Changed language from Early Kindergarten (EK) to  
Transitional Kindergarten (TK)

# Proposed Policy Revision - *Eligibility*

2021-22 - TK offered to 4-year-olds who turn 5 between September 2 and Dec 2





# Proposed Policy Revision - *Out of District Transfers*

Out of District TK students may be admitted to SCUSD TK to allow for continuity of service

# Proposed Policy Revision - *Waivers*

- Over-Age TK Waiver: for children whose fifth birthday is on or before September 1 and who is therefore eligible for kindergarten.
- Under-Age TK Waiver:
  - fifth birthday is between April 2, 2024 and September 1, 2024 for the 2023-24 school year
  - fifth birthday between June 2, 2025 and September 1, 2025 for the 2024-25 school year.
- Special Under-Age TK Waiver:
  - Children who are eligible for the Under-Age TK Waiver
  - Active IEP
  - Sibling at a site with TK

# Proposed Policy Revision

## - *Curriculum and Instruction*

### Commingling

- TK and Preschool Students
- Must meet the requirements of TK and Preschool Programs
  - DRDP Administration
  - Early Childhood Environment Rating Scale Administration
  - Adult Child Ratio for TK and Preschool (10:1/8:1)

# Proposed Policy Revision

## - *Continuation to Kindergarten*

- Kindergarten Continuance Form
- Requires parents/guardians of students in TK under the “Over-age Waiver” to complete a kindergarten continuance form

# Next Steps

- Bring policy back to Board for a 2nd Reading - March 16
- Bring policy to the Board for approval - April 13
- Revise the Administrative Regulations

# Questions & Answers