RHLS/RHLPS Early Childhood Education Programs 2024-2025

Preschool, Pre-K, and TK are all great options for children at various stages in their development and kindergarten preparedness. Understanding the differences between these common early childhood education options makes your decisions about your children's schooling easier.

	Preschool -3-4-year-olds	Pre-Kindergarten- 4 years by September 1st	Transitional Kindergarten	Kindergarten
Program Description	Our preschool program encourages learning through a developmentally appropriate, multi - sensory experience-based program aligned to the CA Preschool Learning Foundations. Child and adult led activities help children develop strong academic foundations, communication, social, gross, and fine motor skills, problem solving and creativity. Classroom instruction is thematic; integrating purposeful indoor and outdoor activities to foster literacy and math concepts and inquiry about the world around them. Two- year program. 3-year-old class has priority into Pre-Kindergarten (Pre-K) readiness class. Collaborative teaching preparing the transition of the 3-year- old class to 4-year-old class. Small group instruction with one-on-one time with teacher and teacher assistant support. Safe, age- appropriate playground designed for children 3-5 and separate from	Focuses on kindergarten readiness and early academics following the Preschool Learning Foundations. Pre-K is for older preschoolers as a transition into TK or Kindergarten. Our preschool program encourages learning through a developmentally appropriate, multi - sensory experience- based program aligned to the CA Preschool Learning Foundations. Child and adult led activities help children develop strong academic foundations, communication, social, gross, and fine motor skills, problem solving and creativity. Classroom instruction is thematic; integrating purposeful indoor and outdoor activities to foster literacy and math concepts and inquiry about the world around them. Small group instruction with one-on-one	Transitional Kindergarten is a full-day program that is the first year of a two-year program that provides children with a developmentally appropriate learning experience aligned with the CA State Standards. The goal of TK is to provide a bridge from preschool to kindergarten for students who would benefit from the gift of time. In addition to developing strong academic, social, communicative, and creative skills, the program provides students with the opportunity to participate and practice in a more traditional elementary school setting. Students improve learning behaviors like attention, emotional regulation and following our core values of love, respect, and responsibility. Religion	Kindergarten is a full - day program designed to create a strong learning foundation in all areas of a child's development based upon the CA State Standards. Kindergarten provides the building blocks of physical, social, and emotional development, as well as the basics of language, literacy, and cognition. The curriculum covers language arts, math, science, social science, art, music, and physical education. Religion and Christian teachings are taught and practiced all yea. Goals at the end of the school year include but are not limited to reading at level C/D, ability to write and count to 100, utilization of all beginning counting and

	elementary/middle school. Licensed by State and regulated by Title 22. Parent participation is optional but welcomed.	time with teacher and teacher assistant support. Safe, age- appropriate playground designed for children 3-5 and separate from elementary/middle school. Children are part of a licensed facility and are with peers- same age 4-5. Licensed by State and regulated by Title 22. Parent participation is optional but welcomed.	and Christian teachings are taught and practiced all year. Staff follow Ed Code ratio and facility requirements for grades TK-12.	ability to use basic problem solving skills. Staff follow Ed Code ratio and facility requirements for grades TK-12.
Curriculum Standards	Preschool Learning Foundational Standards ELEA Religion Curriculum and Weekly Chapel	Preschool Learning Foundational Standards ELEA Religion Curriculum and Weekly Chapel	CA State Standards	CA State Standards
Age Requirements	3 years and potty trained	4 yrs. old by September 1	<mark>5 years by January 30</mark>	Minimum- 5 years by September 1st
Schedule /Hours	Extended Day: 7:30-5:00 Full Day 8:30-3:00 Half Day 8:30-1:00 Minimum 3 days per week Operate on School Calendar, offer Summer Camp	Extended Day: 7:30-5:00 Full Day 8:30-3:00 Half Day 8:30-1:00 Minimum 4 days per week Operate on School Calendar, offer Summer Camp	5 days/week M-F 8:40- 3:00pm School is open September-June After School Programs Available for TK/K (soccer, chess, theater, makerspace, science). Daycare available before school (7:30-8:00am) and after school (3:00-5:30pm)	5 days/week M-F 8:40- 3:00pm School is open September- June After School Programs Available for TK/K (soccer, chess, theater, makerspace, science). Daycare available before school (7:30-8:00am) and after school (3:00-5:30pm)

Teacher Requirements	Early Childhood Education Certification/Permit Teachers are associated with California State Licensing	Early Childhood Education Certification/Permit Teachers are associated with California State Licensing	Multiple Subject Teaching credential and 24 units of early childhood coursework or permit	Multiple Subject Teaching credential
Student to adult ratio	8:1	8:1	16:2	26:2
Enrichment Components	Religion, Spanish, STEM, Cooking, Gardening, 2 hours outside physical activities/play. Additional teachers for Music, gymnastics, soccer, dance, and karate. Guest presenters: Mad	Religion, Spanish, Technology, STEM, Gardening, Cooking, 2 hours outside physical education activities /play. Additional teachers for music,	Additional teachers provide instruction in: PE, Spanish, STEM, technology, and vocal music.	Additional teachers provide instruction in: PE, Spanish, STEM, technology, and vocal music.
	Scientist, Lego, Blue Submarine, Pediatric Dentist, Puppeteer, Bubble mania, Reptile, Puppy Party, Community Helpers, Farm Animals	gymnastics, soccer, dance, and karate. Guest presenters: Mad Scientist, Lego, Blue Submarine, Pediatric Dentist, Puppeteer, Bubble mania, Reptile, Puppy Party, Community Helpers, Farm Animals	Students participate in chapel every week	Students participate in chapel every week