

Frequently Asked Questions

Early Learning appreciates your interest in the TK/4 program.

Please see the following highlights that may assist with your inquiry.

A: When will I be notified of my enrollment status?

- Due to the high volume, inquiries will be processed in the order received. Families who submit complete applications by July 1, 2020 will be notified by July 31, 2020. Parents submitting late applications will be notified within 30 days of applying.

B: I have submitted my paperwork and documents, what happens next? Did I complete the correct requirements?

- Processing could take up to 30 days; an Early Learning representative will notify each family with next steps by email and/or phone.
- Please be sure to upload the correct documentation required, as missing or inaccurate documents may delay processing of your application.

C: My child has an IEP, or will have an IEP next school year. How do I enroll?

- For part day blended programs for 3 year olds, please visit the Neighborhood Schools and Enrollment Options web page for enrollment details at <https://www.sandiegounified.org/node/133/overview#overlay-context=node/131>
- For ECSE separate setting programs, please visit the Early Childhood Special Education webpage for details at: <https://www.sandiegounified.org/early-childhood-special-education-ecse>
- For the TK/4 general education program, please complete the Interest Link located on the district website under Early Learning programs: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScoTJXonrGG5aeRqTb1hDLZ1O9MOphzOwx6iuZEa-O2z9dyQ/viewform>
- Contact the Early Childhood Special Education program for individual support.

D: Do all families have to meet the eligibility requirements? Or do some students automatically get accepted?

The TK/4 program is part of the California State Preschool Program which is a state-funded program, operated in accordance with the California Code of Regulations and the California Department of Education program requirements. To participate in the program, a family must meet various requirements based on a ranking process that includes age, homeless and foster youth, income, and students with exceptional needs, etc. set forth by the State of California.

E: How do I enroll my preschool age child with an IEP? I just moved to San Diego from out of state.

Please send a copy of your child's IEP, along with the following information to Sarah Ott, Executive Director, at sott@sandi.net

- 1) Parent's name, phone number, and current address
- 2) Copy of child's IEP, birth certificate, immunization and proof of residency

The office of Special Education will review the IEP and contact you with a placement for your child.

My child is currently being assessed for an IEP, should I enroll them into preschool or are they waiting until after the IEP meeting?

We have a variety of settings available for children that qualify for an IEP. The IEP team will determine the best placement for your child. Therefore, it is better to wait and see what type of program your child qualifies for preschool.

F: My child attended a San Diego Unified School District preschool program last school year. Do I need to re-enroll them for the following school year?

- This is an annual process for all Early Learning **general education** programs.
- If your preschool age child attended a **special education separate classroom** last school year, they will be re-enrolled for the 2020-2021 school year. Please check with your school site.
- If you are requesting a transfer to a new school site, please contact the Neighborhood Schools And Enrollment Option Office after August 3.

G: My child wasn't placed at the school of my choice. Are we able to request another site? Families are welcome to submit an interest for a transfer to another site. When space becomes available, an Early Learning representative will contact you.

H: My child has an IEP and requires transportation. How do I arrange for this service?

If your child's IEP states they qualify for transportation as a related service, the Early Childhood Special Education Teacher at the school site will complete the transportation form and submit it to transportation. This will be completed at the school site. Please note it may take up to three weeks before transportation starts. Parents are welcome to transport during these weeks.

I: When will I know who my child's teacher is for the TK/4 classroom?

Once school resumes for the 20-21 school year, the school site will provide that information to you about classroom assignment, bell schedule, and procedures. This information is typically shared right before school starts.

Please see the following contacts below, for additional inquiries:

Neighborhood Schools and Enrollment Options

eoptions@sandi.net | 619.260.2410

- Part Day Blended Preschool Enrollment
- Early Childhood Special Education Separate Setting Enrollment
- TK-12 Enrollment Inquiries and Choice Process

Early Childhood Special Education

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- Transition information for students with IEPs
- IEP service and program inquiries
- Enrollment information for students with IEPs
- Transportation
- ESY
- Enrollment documentation and requirements for students with IEPs