



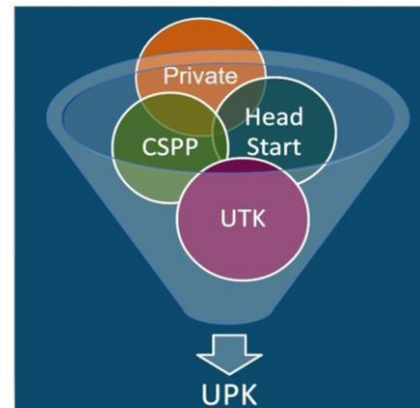
Pacific Grove Unified School District

Universal Transitional Kindergarten (UTK) Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) Plan

September 15, 2022
Board of Education

Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK)

“UPK will bring together programs across early learning and K-12, relying heavily on Universal Transitional Kindergarten (UTK) and State Preschool Program (CSPP), support services, community-based organizations(CBO) and private preschools to ensure every four-year old child - regardless of background, race, zip code, immigration status, or income level - has access to quality learning experience the year before kindergarten.”



History of Transitional Kindergarten

2010

**Senate Bill (SB) 1381
(Simitian)**

- Changed kindergarten age eligibility from a student whose 5th birthday occurs before December 2 to September 2
- Phased in over three years, beginning in 2012-13
- TK defined as kindergarten with a modified curriculum

2014

SB 858 (Budget)

- Required teachers first assigned to TK after July 1, 2015 to:
- Obtain 24 ECE¹ or child development credits
 - Have a CTC² child development permit
 - Locally determined to have equivalent experience
- Deadline extended until August 1, 2023

2015

**Assembly Bill (AB) 104
(Budget)**

- Authorized Expanded TK (ETK) for four-year-olds whose 5th birthday occurs at any time during the school year
- Prorates per student funding and excludes students from unduplicated pupil count

2021

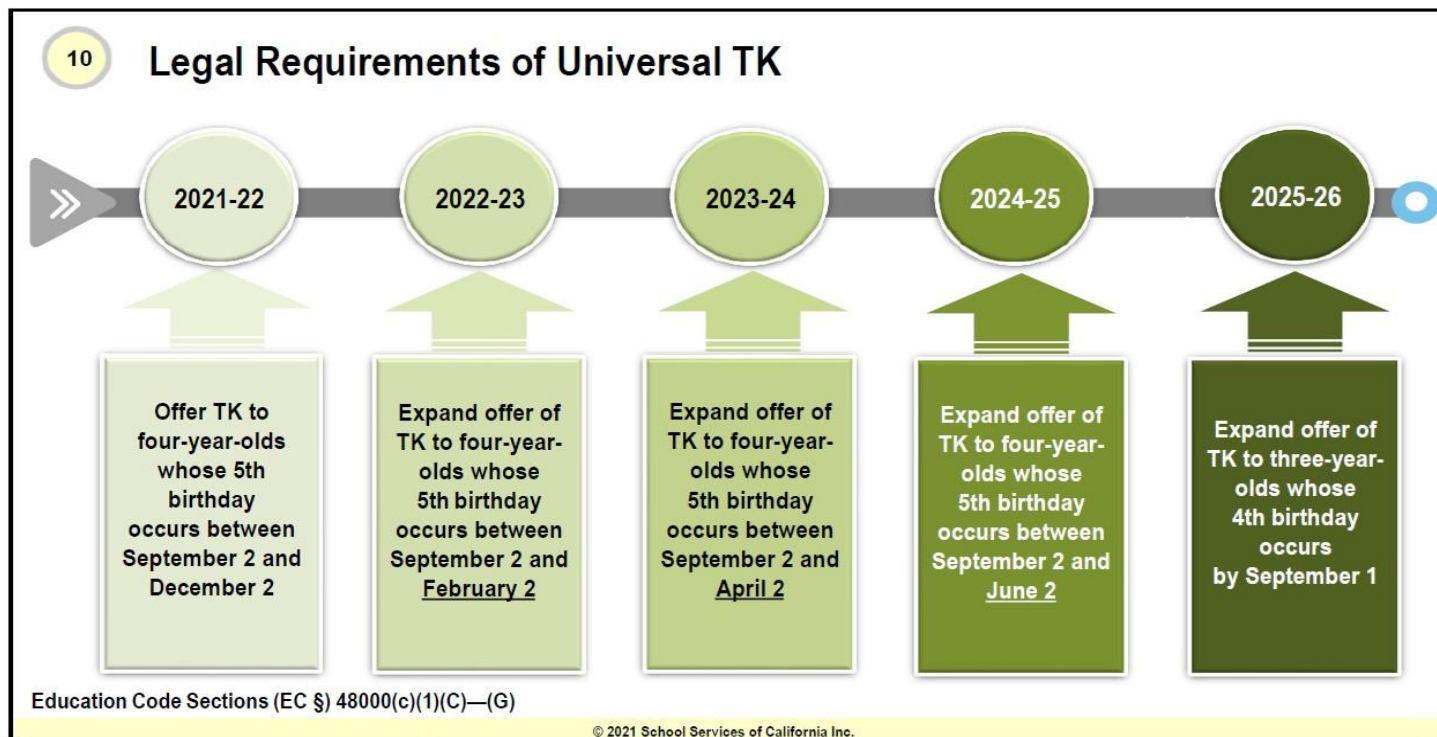
AB 130 (Budget)

- Universalizes access to TK for all four-year-olds in the state
- Phased in over four years
- Maintains ETK authority
- Requires one teacher for every 12 students beginning in 2022-23 with intent to achieve 10:1 ratios if funded

¹Early Childhood Education (ECE)

²Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC)

The Nuts and Bolts



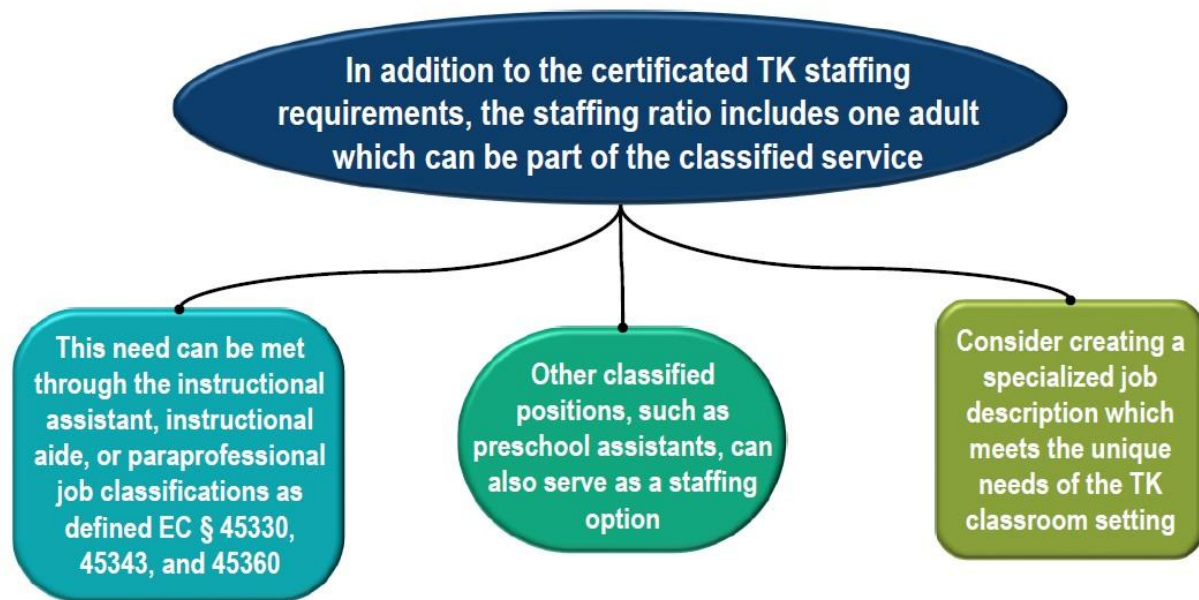
TK Staffing Requirements Affected by AB 130

Classroom Ratios



TK Teacher Credentials

Classroom Staffing—Maximizing Resources



See Workshop Resources for EC § 45330, 45343, and 45360

Timeline For Universal TK

Offer TK to 4 yr olds
who turn 5 between
Sept 2 and Dec 2

Expand TK to 4 yr olds
who turn 5 between
Sept 2 and April 2

Expand TK to 3 yr
olds who turn 4
by Sept 1.

2021-22

2022-23

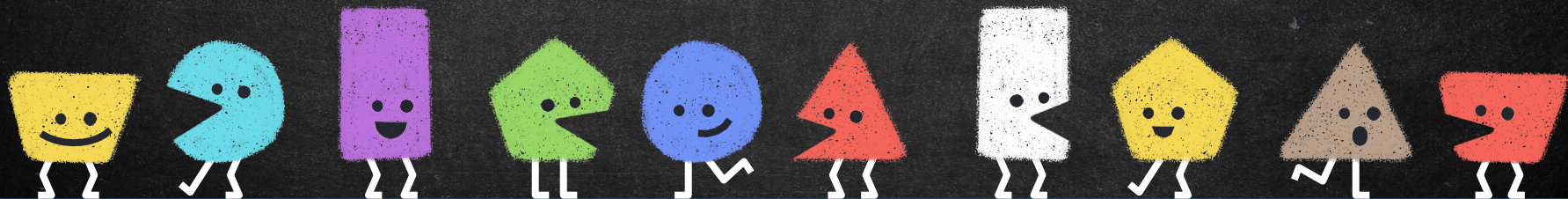
2023-24

2024-25

2025-26

Expand TK to 4 yr olds
who turn 5 between
Sept. 2 and Feb. 2

Expand TK to 4 yr olds
who turn 5 between
Sept. 2 and June 2



Current Program – 2022-2023

- Two TK classes at Forest Grove Elementary
- Enrollment is 27 students
- Converted kindergarten teacher to TK
- Hired an instructional assistant
- 12:2 (students:adults) ratio is met by utilizing certificated teacher and instructional aides in the classroom

Implementation Plan – Projections 2023-26

Enrollment Projections:

- Current 2022-23 (Sept. 2 - Feb. 2) \approx 27 (24)
- Projection 2023-24 (Sept. 2 - April 2) \approx 38 (46)
- Projection 2024-25 (Sept. 2 - June 2) \approx 48 (59)
- Projection 2025-26 (All four year olds) \approx 58 (72)

Projected Staffing needs:

- Current 2022-23 (Sept. 2 - Feb. 2) \approx 27
Full Day 2 teachers, 2 aides
- Projection 2023-24 (Sept. 2 - April 2) \approx 38
Full Day 2 teachers, 2 aides
Half Day 1 teacher, 2 aides
- Projection 2024-25 (Sept. 2 - June 2) \approx 48
Full Day 3 teachers, 3 aides
Half Day 2 teachers, 2 aides
- Projection 2025-26 (All four year olds) \approx 58
Full Day 3 teachers, 3 aides
Half Day 2 teachers, 2 aides

2024 – 25 Consider Program Consolidation

2024-25 - Good year to consider consolidating program with our pre-K programs at the adult school facility (early childhood ed center)

Benefits

- Smooth transition from preschool to TK to UPK
- More predictability for enrollment
- Facility improvements would benefit the Lighthouse Site
- Two administrators to oversee the program
- Other support resources available at that site

Challenges

- TK would no longer be attached to the kindergarten programs
- Specials (music, PE, computer lab, library) would not be the same as elementary schools.
- Heavy focus on facility improvement at Lighthouse Site

2023– 2026 Program Consolidation Options

Consolidation Option A:

- Multiple UTK/UPK Programs housed individually at each elementary school as facilities permit
 - Forest Grove and Robert Down programs continue independently as UPK – 5th grade schools
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Consolidation Option B:

- Multiple UTK/UPK Programs housed at Early Childhood Center at Lighthouse
 - Forest Grove and Robert Down programs continue independently as 1st – 5th grade schools
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Consolidation Option C:

- Multiple UTK/UPK Programs housed at a current elementary site
- Elementary sites operate separately as UPK – 2nd and 3rd – 5th grades