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### **Enrolling Next Year's Kindergarteners in SMMUSD**

Elementary schools throughout the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District will be welcoming resident parents of incoming Kindergarteners to tour the schools and find out more about enrolling their children for the 2019-20 school year. The events are planned for January and February 2019 with dates for each school posted [online](#).

Transitional Kindergarten (TK) and Kindergarten Round-Up, as the yearly event is called, is an opportunity for Santa Monica and Malibu parents of children entering TK or Kindergarten for the upcoming year to meet the principal of their neighborhood school, visit classrooms, and begin the registration process for the 2019-20 school year.

Please plan to attend the school assigned for your residence. Kindergarten is offered at every school, however, TK is not. Your neighborhood school will provide you information at the Round-Up regarding availability of TK at that school, or the school serving the neighborhood.

SMMUSD offers TK or Bridges TK classrooms at Cabrillo and Webster in Malibu. McKinley, Rogers, Grant, Edison and Roosevelt hold the Santa Monica TK classes. All TK programs offer an excellent opportunity for students who have birthdays in a certain range to begin a program that prepares them for kindergarten for the following year. Bridges TK is a neighborhood program that is SMMUSD-aligned, STEAM-enhanced and Reggio-inspired.

For both TK and K enrollment, resident parents will need to bring with them: their child's birth certificate, health records, and verification of residence in Santa Monica or Malibu. For more details and examples of verification documents, please visit the [registration](#) page online.

All parents need to be aware that SMMUSD strictly adheres to birthdate ranges for admission to preschool, TK and kindergarten. This is based on California Education Code. To learn where your child will be placed regardless of years of preschool, please see the [enrollment](#) guidelines.

Please contact your neighborhood school with any questions. Visit the [school locator](#) online to determine your neighborhood school. Edison and SMASH are schools of choice, by application. Please inquire at each school.

Preschool and Seaside Preschool tours are handled by Child Development Services and the school sites. Please check the district website for tour and information meeting dates.

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