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NEWS RELEASE**

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**Enrollment is Open for SMMUSD Preschools
and Bridges Transitional Kindergarten Programs for 2019-20**

The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District welcomes families to learn more about our preschool programs, including our part day, full day and Seaside preschool options. In addition, our Bridges Transitional Kindergarten programs are now enrolling.

The Child Development Services (CDS) program oversees various programs at several locations that serve preschool-age students throughout and outside the district. The programs include fee-based part and full day classrooms, a new tuition-free district-based program for qualifying families, as well as subsidized programs offered via state preschool. District and state preschool programs occur at John Adams, Lincoln Child Development Center, McKinley, Muir, Rogers and Washington West.

In addition, as part of SMMUSD's Early Learning Pathway, the district has several Seaside neighborhood preschool programs enrolling for the 2019-20 school year. The programs are, district-aligned, Reggio-inspired, STEAM-enhanced, and supportive of equity and access to all students.

SMMUSD is also excited to announce the Seaside program's latest expansion with a part-day program at Franklin Elementary School. Along with Grant, Edison and Webster, Franklin will be registering Franklin and Roosevelt resident students who will be three or four on or before Sept. 1, 2019.

A Grant Seaside Preschool parent information session will be held at Grant Elementary School on February 28, 2019. To RSVP for the Grant Information session, please contact Karen Miller: Kmillier@smmusd.org or 310-450-7651 ext. 63178

Enrollment for all 2019-2020 preschool programs has begun. If you are interested in any of the preschool programs offered, please submit a pre-enrollment application to receive an invitation letter. You can contact molmos@smmusd.org or go to <http://www.smmusd.org/CDS/PEAF.pdf> to complete a form.

The early learning pathway program is centered around the idea that neighborhood preschool and TK programs are available to all students living in Santa Monica and Malibu. Our mission is to foster relationships between families, community and educators creating a seamless

transition to TK/Kindergarten. Enrollment is available to students residing within SMMUSD boundaries, however preference is given to families within individual elementary school neighborhoods. Please check with school sites for application deadlines.

Bridges Transitional Kindergarten (TK) will be offered at Edison, Grant, McKinley and Roosevelt along with TK programs at Rogers and Webster for the 2019-20 school year. Registration for TK is now open at Santa Monica and Malibu schools. Check [birthday guidelines](#) to determine if your child qualifies for TK or Kindergarten.

For questions about SMMUSD preschool programs, please call the Child Development Services Offices at 310-399-5865. For questions about Transitional Kindergarten programs please contact your local school.

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