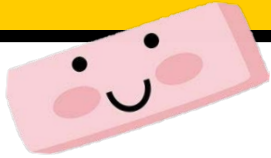


Kindergarten & TK: A no panic, no stress, no nonsense guide before your student's first year



Q. When will my Kindergarten Roundup be rescheduled?

A. Due to the rapidly evolving changes with COVID-19, current conditions do not allow for definitive reschedule dates to be set at this time. TUSD will continue to follow guidance from the CDC and Los Angeles County Office of Education pertaining to the reopening of schools and public functions. Schools will reach out to their families with any updates once they are received.

Q. When is the first day of school?

A. Wednesday August 26, 2020

Q. When do I find out who my student's teacher is?

A. The process of classroom assignments are at the discretion of each school site. Typically class rosters are not assembled until the week before school begins. School sites will notify their attending families of what their respective process is by mid-August.

Q. Where do I drop my student off?

A. Each school has a loading zone that is arranged to allow for the safe drop-off of students before school each day. School sites will have adult faculty supervision and the gates will be unlocked at 8:30am. You may not drop your student off prior to this time.



Q. What are resources for child care?

A. Options for childcare include the following:

YMCA

Private onsite childcare available at some schools.

(310) 325-5885

<https://www.yocala.org/torrance-south-bay/classes/school-age-child-care>

Connections for Children

Resource Referral service provides list of childcare providers in your area

(310) 452-3325

connectionsforchildren.org

*Please be advised you may opt for a private provider of your choice.



Q. How do schools handle student allergies and medications?

A. Procedures for handling allergies may be handled differently at each school site. If your student has a severe allergy, we advise communicating with the school nurse and your child's teacher before school begins so that they can give appropriate directions and information on how they will handle your student's needs. If your student requires medication during the school day, the school will provide you with a form for your child's physician to complete prior to the beginning of the school year.

Q. How can I volunteer at my student's school?

A. All school volunteers must complete an application before being allowed to volunteer on campus. Most schools have volunteer applications along with instructions available on their websites. If this information is not available on your school's website, please ask the front office at the school site.

Q. What will my student be learning in Kindergarten?

A. For information on Kindergarten curriculum, you can the California Department of Education's [website](#) for an outline of Common Core State Standards in California.

Q. Is there nap time?

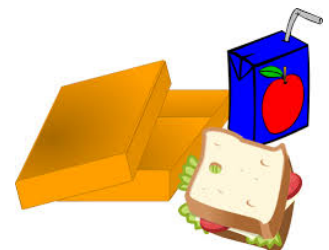
A. There is no nap time in Kindergarten.

Q. Is there snack time?

A. There is a snack/recess time each school day prior to lunch for students, however snacks are not provided by the school.

Q. Is there lunch time?

A. There is a 45 minute lunch time for students.



Q. How do I sign up for cafeteria lunches?

A. For information and to apply for the district's school meal program or to get information on how to qualify for free or reduced lunches, please visit the Nutrition Services website at tusd.org/nutrition-services on or after July 1, 2020.

Q. When will I meet my student's teacher?

A. Each school will host a "Back to School" night after the beginning of the school year that introduces parents to their student's teachers who present their plans for the school year. Schools will announce the dates that these events will take place.

Q. When will I receive my PowerSchool parent account information?

A. PowerSchool parent account information will be sent to parents via email in the middle of August. All parents are required to follow these directions once received to create their accounts and update emergency contact information.

Q. What is annual registration?

A. Each school year, parents will be asked to review the Annual Rights & Responsibilities of Students and renew contact information. Much of this is now done online through parent PowerSchool accounts. Your student's school will send out specific instructions in regards to their registration process.

Q. Are there uniforms?

A. No, TUSD does not require students to wear uniforms. Students may not wear open toe shoes (sandals) or backless shoes. Spaghetti straps, strapless tops, clothing displaying any vulgarity, and excessively short bottoms may not be worn. Schools will provide more specific dress code agreements prior to the start of the school year with annual registration information.

Q. Are there school buses?

A. No, TUSD does not offer transportation services. Public transit is available through the City of Torrance. Details on bus routes and services can be found on <https://transit.torranceca.gov/>. There is a City of Torrance Transit mobile application that you can download with real-time arrival prediction and updates.

Q. Does my student need to go to school every day?

A. YES! Attendance is of the utmost importance, especially in a child's younger formative years. We strongly urge parents to [visit the Attendance Works website](#) with tips for good attendance and success.

