



# Long Valley Charter School

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## **Transitional Kindergarten Enrollment**

Approved by: Board of Directors

Policy Number: 3008

### ***Education Code***

Ed Code 48000(c) states the age requirement for enrollment in transitional kindergarten is a child is 5 years of age between September 2<sup>nd</sup> and December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The enactment of AB 104 has amended this section of the education code. This legislation allows for early admission enrollment as long as a student turns 5 years of age prior to the end of the school year

### ***Early Admission to Transitional Kindergarten***

Long Valley believes early admission to transitional kindergarten may be appropriate for some students. The following procedures are in place to offer academic opportunities for students who may be ready for early entry while at the same time maintaining a rigorous program for the students meeting the state guidelines for regular entry to TK and Kindergarten.

At the conclusion of the first two weeks of school, the Principal, TK/K Teacher, and Director will consider the current enrollment and determine the number of spaces that may be available for early admission TK students. If there are spaces deemed available, the following process is in place for determining enrollment for students who reach 5 years of age between December 3<sup>rd</sup> and the end of the school year:

1. The parent/guardian is provided with information regarding the advantages and disadvantages about the effect of this early admission.
2. Enrollment will be considered in the order received as indicated by the stamped date on enrollment application forms.
3. The LVCS governing board determines if admittance is in the best interest of the child. The responsibility for evaluation is delegated to the Director who establishes a process for the evaluation. If enrollment is recommended, it is reported to the governing board at the next regular meeting of the board.

### ***Two-Year Program***

Students who complete the transitional kindergarten program shall be eligible to continue to kindergarten the following school year. Parents/guardians of such students shall not be required to submit a signed parental permission form for kindergarten attendance.

A child who is kindergarten eligible may enroll in TK. The parent/guardian must sign the Kindergarten Continuance Form to have the child continue in kindergarten for one additional year at the time of enrollment in TK.

A student shall not attend more than two years in a combination of transitional kindergarten and kindergarten.

***Average Daily Attendance Claims (ADA)***

The education code provides guidance for claims of ADA for early admission and regular entry Transitional Kindergarten students as follows:

<b>5<sup>th</sup> Birthday</b>	<b>Enrollment date permitted</b>	<b>ADA Claim</b>
By December 2nd	First day of school year or after	From date of enrollment
December 3 <sup>rd</sup> —end of current school year	First day of school year or after	Beginning on date of 5 <sup>th</sup> birthday