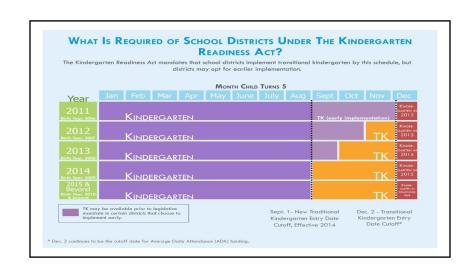
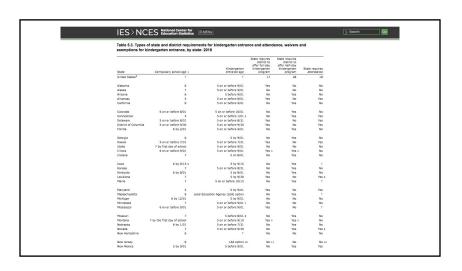


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 - Changes enrollment date from December
 2nd to September 1st
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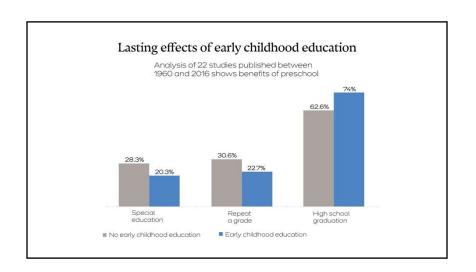
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TK & Equity

- Provides all families with access to Early Childhood Education
- Decrease the achievement gap
- Malcolm Galdwell- "Outliers"
- Academic Redshirting
 - o higher amongst certain demographics



Current Kindergarten Students

Student A- Preschool at another school

Student B- SPU Preschool

Student C-TK: "Average"

Student D-TK: "High Performing"

Student E-TK: IEP

What happens in TK?



- Hybrid model intended to be locally designed between "Preschool Learning Foundations" and the California Kindergarten State Standards to meet local population's needs
 - First six months "Preschool Learning Foundations"
 - o Last four months CCSS for Kindergarten

TK experience is intended to:

- Be integrated
- Be differentiated and contain individualized instruction
- Involve family
- Be culturally and linguistically responsive



My Foundations

Community & Classroom





Classroom Community

- Community and Relationships First
- Three Agreements:
 - 1. Be Safe
 - 2. Be Kind
 - 3. Listen
- Expected and Unexpected Behavior
- Natural Consequences
- Child vs. Behavior





What are we doing in TK?

Academically

Working to communicate through reading, writing, and speaking, using problem solving and critical thinking skills, and to work collaboratively with others.

- TK Standards
- Pre-math & pre-literacy
- Curriculum: Balanced Literacy & CGI

Socially and Emotionally

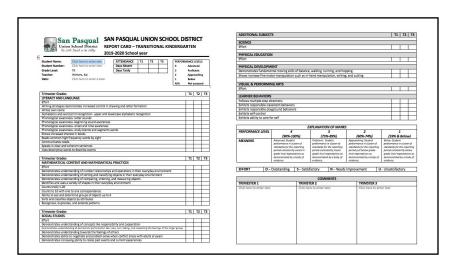
Social Competence is more predictive of student success than academic scores.

- Listen & follow directions
- Control impulses
- Label & recognize feelings
- Be kind
- Interact with others
- Problem solve
- Sense of self

How do we report growth in TK?



- New TK Report Card to address San Pasqual Union's TK needs and goals
- Aligned with California's intentions
 - Cross between "Preschool Learning Foundations" and California Kindergarten State Standards
 - o Collaboration across grade levels



Why TK?

- Gift of Time
- Exposure
- Mastery of executive functions
- Classroom understanding
- Strong foundations
- Early identification- more data and more support
- Equity



According to Deborah Stipek, professor at the Stanford University School of Education,

"the cost is paid back many times over in reduced grade retentions, special education services and in lower expenditures for incarceration. Returns also come in the form of the increased productivity that results from higher levels of academic achievement and high school completion rates."

