Early Learning & Kindergarten __

Festival 2025-2026







MEET OUR **PRESENTERS**



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MEET OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS



LONG BEACH

Early Childhood Education Committee

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National Council of Jewish Women



UNIVERSAL PREKINDERGARTEN BIRTH - 4 YEARS OLD













Head Start





JANUARY 8, 2025
TK-5 online enrollment application available on LBUSD website homepage





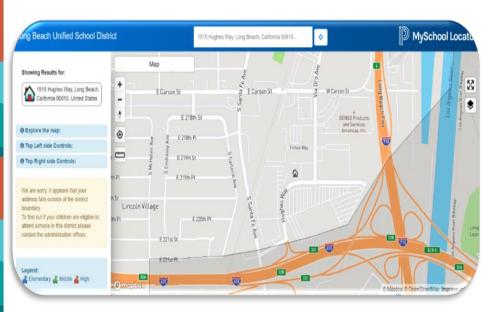
ENROLLMENT

What Is Needed:

- The <u>enrollment process</u> begins online.
 Then, in person you must provide the following <u>original documents:</u>
 - Proof of Age
 - Immunization Record
 - Residency Verification (x2)
 - Current IEP or 504 if applicable

*Must Enroll at School of Residence

HOW DO I FIND MY SCHOOL OF RESIDENCE?





- Use School Finder on the Ibschools.net website
- Call the Elementary & TK-8
 Office (562) 997-8247
- Go to the nearest school

TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN TK DOB 9/2/20- 9/1/21

Transitional Kindergarten is for students that turn age 5 between

September 2, 2025 and September 1, 2026

- Same daily schedule as kindergarten (8-2 p.m. or 9-3 p.m.)
- 20-24 Max students per class
- Some sites TK enrollment is multi-step (partnership sites)







KINDERGARTEN

DOB 9/2/19 -9/1/20

- A child must be 5 years of age by
 September 1, 2025
- Full day schedule
 - o (8-2 p.m. or 9-3 p.m.)
- School begins August 26, 2025





DEVELOPMENTALLY APPROPRIATE FURNITURE AND MATERIALS IN ALL TK/K CLASSROOMS!













TK & KINDERGARTEN FULL DAY PROGRAM

- Indoor child-directed play
- Engaging academics aligned with common core state standards
- Inclusive and equity focused



TK & KINDERGARTEN OUTDOOR EDUCATION

- Teacher facilitated
- Learning centers
- Student choice of play
- Hands on experiences





LET'S PAUSE FOR QUESTIONS



SCHOOL OF CHOICE (SOC)

 STUDENTS MUST BE ENROLLED FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR



 SOC AVAILABLE ONLINE BEGINNING MARCH 3, 2025 AT 9:00 A.M.

- SCHOOL OF CHOICE GENERAL TIMELINE
 - -March 3, 2025 applications available online through ParentVue
 - -April 10, 2025 application deadline for Round 1 selections
 - -May 1, 2025 parents notified if they were accepted or placed on a wait list
 - -May 9, 2025 deadline to intend and certify school choice



The following schools offer the **Dual Immersion** program:



DUAL IMMERSION PROGRAM (DI)



Bixby Elementary TK-5



Cesar Chavez Elementary TK-5



Henry Elementary TK-5



Lafayette Elementary K-5



Riley Elementary K-5



Webster Elementary TK-5



Willard Elementary K-5



Dual Immersion Middle School Keller Middle School 6-8







Resource Specialist Program (RSP) and Speech & Language are available on every LBUSD campus

Special Day Class (SDC) programs are provided throughout the district at specific sites

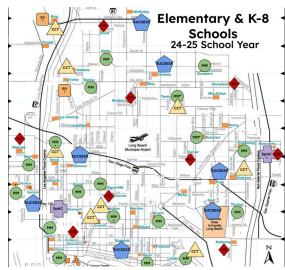
The default placement is always a student's school of residence

If the SDC Program is not offered at the school of residence, students receive transportation to the school closest to the school that has both –

- the required SDC Program and
- space available in that SDC program



- All students with an Individualized Education
 Program (IEP) can participate in School of Choice (SOC)
- The online SOC process is the same for all students
- Students attending a SOC do not receive transportation



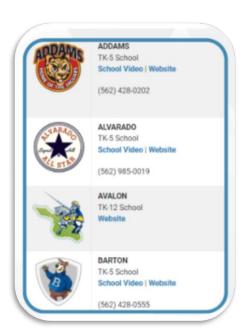


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SCHOOL INFORMATION

- School Website/Listing
- Schedules
- Before/After School Programs
- Uniforms
- Lunch Program
- Parent Involvement
- Volunteers in Public Schools (VIPS) Application





- Read books about starting school (visit the LB Public Library)
 - Planet Kindergarten by Sue Ganz-Schmidt
 - The King of Kindergarten by Derrick Barnes
 - All Are Welcome by Alexandra Penfold
- First name: practice reading and naming the letters
- Count: stairs, doors, cups, anything









- Practice opening lunch items
- Practice independent toileting, hand washing and dressing
- Develop a morning routine
- Walk around the outside of your new school, take a picture in front!







JOIN US IN PERSON AT OUR

EARLY LEARNING & KINDERGARTEN FESTIVALS

- Barton Elementary
 - o Saturday, January 11, 2025
 - o 9:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.
- Alvarado Elementary
 - o Saturday, March 8, 2025
 - o 9:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.



Please contact the **Elementary & TK-8 Schools Office**

We are here to help! (562) 997-8247







