UNIVERSAL PRE-KINDERGARTEN OPTIONS FOR A 4-YEAR-OLD

	Definition	Age Requirements	Teacher Qualifications	Student-Teacher Ratios
California State Preschool Program (CSPP)	Includes part-and full-day services for income-eligible families. Provides a curriculum that is developmentally, culturally, and linguistically appropriate for the children served.	2 years, 9 months to 5-year-old children	Director: 24 ECE Units + 16 GE Units + 3 Adult Supervision Units, and BA Degree <u>Master Teacher</u> : Teacher + 6 ECE Units in Specialization + 2 Adult Supervision Units <u>Teacher:</u> 24 ECE Units + 16 GE Units <u>Associate Teacher:</u> 12 ECE Units	1 adult to 8 children
Early Learning and Care	Includes community-based and private programs, family child care providers, and family, friend, and neighbor care.	Ages vary by program type	Teacher qualifications may vary by program. Please consult with the specific program to learn more.	Varies by program
Head Start	A federal program for income-eligible families that promotes the school readiness of children from birth to age 5 by enhancing their cognitive, social, and emotional development.	3 to 5-year-old children	Director: 24 ECE Units + 16 GE Units + 3 Adult Supervision Units, and BA Degree <u>Associate Teacher:</u> 12 ECE Units <u>Site Assistant:</u> 6 ECE Units	1 adult to 10 children
Transitional Kindergarten (TK)	First year of a two-year kindergarten experience that is developmentally informed, based on the California Preschool Learning Foundations, and uses a modified kindergarten curriculum.	2022-23: 2023-24: 2024-25: 2025-26: Turns 5 Turns 5 Turns 5 Turns 4 between between between between Sept. 2 Sept. 2 Sept. 2 and June 2	Credentialed teachers are required to complete 24 early childhood education units or obtain a Child Development Permit by Aug.1, 2023.	2022-23: 1 adult to 12 children 2023-24: 1 adult to 10 children*
Expanded Transitional Kindergarten (ETK)	Local school districts can choose to enroll 4-year-olds in TK whose fifth birthdays occur after the eligibility date, generally referred to as "Expanded TK."	School districts can only offer ETK to 4-year- olds whose 5th birthday occurs within the school year and not after June 30.	Credentialed teachers are required to complete 24 early childhood education units or obtain a Child Development Permit by Aug. 1, 2023.	2022-23: 1 adult to 12 children 2023-24: 1 adult to 10 children

* The 1:10 ratio will be in effect as funding becomes available. *** It is at the school district's discretion to admit students outside of the yearly TK eligibility birthday window.



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