

**Subject:** Kindergarten and Transitional Kindergarten  
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☒ **HARBOR SPRINGS CHARTER SCHOOL**

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**Enrollment in Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten**

Governing Law : Admission policy and procedures for transitional kindergarten and kindergarten, consistent with Education Code Section 48000.

**Enrollment in Kindergarten**

Pursuant to EC 48000(a), a child is eligible for kindergarten if the child will have their fifth birthday by September 1.

**Enrollment in Kindergarten (KN) for Transitional Kindergarten (TK) eligible students:**

Pursuant to EC 48000(b), the Charter School may, on a case-by-case basis, admit into KN a child having attained the age of five years at any time during the school year with the approval of the parent/guardian, subject to the following conditions: (1) the administration determines that the admittance is in the best interests of the child; and (2) the parent/guardian is given information regarding the advantages and disadvantages and any other explanatory information about the effect of this early admittance. Determination for enrollment into the school will be based on standard criteria set by school administration and is based on standardized guidelines for academic and developmental readiness for Kindergarten. Staff determination or recommendation of grade level placement will be made based on multiple measures including grade level appropriate formal assessments and student observations.

**Enrollment in Transitional Kindergarten:**

Pursuant to EC 48000(c), a child is eligible for TK if the child will have their birthday on the following schedule:

2022–23 - fifth birthday between September 2 and February 2  
2023–24 - fifth birthday between September 2 and April 2  
2024–25 - fifth birthday between September 2 and June 2  
2025–26 - fourth birthday by September 1

**In all of the above:**

The Charter School adheres to all applicable non-discrimination laws in the implementation of this policy, and is subject to the same enrollment processes as all otherwise qualified students as outlined in the Charter School's New Student Enrollment Handbook. Placement into one of the Charter School's programs will be consistent with all other enrollment guidelines, including placement on a programs pending list, etc.