

Feb. 25, 2019

Dear Parents,

It's my pleasure to let you know that registration is now open for children who will be entering Kindergarten or Transitional Kindergarten (TK) this fall for the 2019-2020 school year.

The National School District offers a world-class education in a safe and nurturing environment, and programs to enhance student achievement. Our Kindergarten and TK classes are full-day programs, and include breakfast and lunch for all students at no cost.

Our vision in the National School District is for our students to be exceptionally prepared learners, and innovative and compassionate world citizens. To reach those goals, our educational programs include Dual Language instruction in grades K-6, and Spanish English Transition (SET) in grades K-2. We have an excellent instrumental music and band program for all grades, as well as Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) learning. We are focused on each child's social, emotional and behavioral achievements, too, through our implementation of the Sanford Harmony program and Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) system in every school.

Additionally, we offer an Extended-Day Program with before- and after-school care, and a Family Resource Center.

Here are some things you need to know to help make enrollment quick and easy:

- Children must be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1 to enroll in the Kindergarten program, or become 5 years old between Sept. 2 and Dec. 2 to enroll in the TK program.
- State law requires all children to have current immunizations for polio, DPT, MMR, HIB meningitis, hepatitis B and varicella (chicken pox), unless exempt by a doctor's order. The state also requires all Kindergarteners to have a dental exam done by a licensed dental professional by May 2020.
- You will need to bring your child's birth certificate or another proof of birth date, and documentation of residency, such as a rental contract or utility bill.

Enrollment packets are available at our schools now. If you have questions, you will find complete registration information on the Kindergarten Registration page of the District website. And please feel free to call your neighborhood school during office hours Monday through Friday.

You can always find contact information for our schools at our Schools Directory page online. Meantime, our 10 schools are:

Central School 933 E Avenue (619) 336-7400 El Toyon School 2000 E. Division Street (619) 336-8000 Ira Harbison School 3235 E. 8th Street (619) 336-8200

John Otis School 621 E. 18th Street (619) 336-8800

Kimball School 302 W. 18th Street (619) 336-8300

Las Palmas School 1900 E. 18th Street (619) 336-8500 Lincoln Acres School 2200 Lanoitan Avenue (619) 336-8600

Olivewood School 2505 F Avenue (619) 336-8700

Palmer Way School 2900 Palmer Street (619) 336-8900

Rancho de la Nacion School 1830 E. Division Street (619) 336-8100

In the National School District, student learning is a collaboration of educators, school staff, community members and you — your child's first and most important teacher. We believe that all students will learn, that student success is everyone's responsibility and that our community's cultural diversity enriches learning opportunities.

Our promise is a safe and nurturing learning environment, an active partnership with parents and community, a solid foundation in reading, writing and problem solving, and a focus on individual student achievement.

We look forward to meeting you and your children. Enroll now!

Sincerely,

Sharmila Kraft, Ed.D Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services National School District