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Kindergarten and Transitional Kindergarten Registration

Lafayette, Moraga and Orinda Union School Districts

For the 2013-14 school year, only children age 5 as of Oct. 1 will be allowed in kindergarten, while students whose fifth birthdays fall between Oct. 2 and Dec. 2 will be eligible for a transitional kindergarten program. Transitional kindergarten, according to the California Department of Education, is the first year of a two-year kindergarten program that uses a modified kindergarten curriculum that is age and developmentally appropriate. California school districts are required to provide a transitional kindergarten program so that children who will be affected by this change - those with birthdays between October and December - will have an opportunity to continue building their skills and abilities. Their time in transitional kindergarten will help them to succeed in kindergarten, become leaders in the classroom and confidently navigate the school day routine.

Lafayette School District

Registration for kindergarten and transitional kindergarten programs will take place at the district's four elementary schools Jan. 22-23 at the following times:

Burton Valley Elementary: 9 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m.

Happy Valley Elementary: 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Lafayette Elementary: 9 a.m. to noon

Springhill Elementary: 9 to 11 a.m.

Registration packets can be obtained from the schools prior to registration, beginning Jan. 7, however the earliest day completed packets will be accepted by the schools is Jan. 22, during registration times. It is not necessary to bring your child on registration day. The registration process may take from 30 minutes up to two hours, depending upon the number of registrations. For more information, visit www.lafsd.k12.ca.us.

Moraga School District

Kindergarten and transitional kindergarten registration for the 2013-2014 school year will be held on Feb. 7-8. For information, visit www.moraga.k12.ca.us/kindergarten.

Orinda Union School District

Registration for children entering Orinda public schools as kindergarteners and transitional kindergarteners in August 2013 will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at each of the elementary schools Feb. 4-7. For information, visit www.orindaschools.org.

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