



Moraga School District

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Julie C. Parks Ed. D., Superintendent

Dear Prospective Moraga School District Families,

Registering your child for kindergarten in the Moraga School District is an exciting milestone. While there may be some hesitation about placing your child in kindergarten due to concerns about academic and/or social readiness, we want to assure you that we have an exemplary team of experienced and skilled kindergarten teachers at all of our schools who are well-prepared to meet the individual and specific developmental needs of your child.

Our full-day kindergarten program is unique and designed to provide students with the individual support they need. The full-day program has a 'slip" schedule so that there is time on a daily basis for small groups of students in each class to receive individualized instruction.

If your child will be five years old on or before September 1, please register for kindergarten at your attendance area elementary school. Kindergarten is optional in California (CA Education Code 48200).

If your child will be six years old on or before September 1, please register your child for first grade (CA Education Code 48010). Children who have completed kindergarten in a private or public school in California will be admitted to the first grade unless the parent/support provider and the District agree that the child may continue in kindergarten for an additional year (CA Education Code 480 1 1).

While we understand that keeping your child back for another year so that he/she can begin kindergarten at a later age may initially sound like it is the best course of action, the benefits of kindergarten with age alike peers in classes specifically designed to meet their varying ability levels puts your child in the most optimal position for success.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your school principal or me.

Sincerely,

Dr. Julie C. Parks, Ed. D.
Superintendent