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# **Attachment 2: Program Standards Table**

**Table 1. Program Standards: How is transitional kindergarten (TK) different from kindergarten and other Universal PreKindergarten (UPK) programs?**

| **Type** | **Age** | **Eligibility** | **Minimum Lead Teacher Requirement** | **Ratios and Class Size** | **Curriculum** | **Assessment** |
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| **TK** | 4 | Child turns 5 between Sep 2 and Feb 2 (2022–23) and moving to 4 by Sep 1 (2025–26) | Multiple-subject Credential (and 24 units of Child Development [CD] and Early Childhood Education [ECE] by August 1, 2023) | 1:12;  24 average across school site and required as a condition of apportionment | Modified kindergarten curriculum that is age and developmentally appropriate; Intent of legislature to be based on Preschool Learning Foundations (PLF) | English Language Proficiency assessment aligned with English Language Development (ELD) Standards for kindergarten (first 30 days) |
| **Kindergarten** | 5 | Child turns 5 on or before Sept 1 | Multiple-subject Credential | No required ratio; 24 average across school site and required as a condition of apportionment | Kindergarten curriculum based on the kindergarten instructional materials adopted by the State Board of Education (SBE) | English Language Proficiency assessment aligned with ELD Standards for kindergarten (first 30 days) |
| **Title 5 Education Standards** (e.g., California State Preschool Program [CSPP]) | 3–5 | Family income at or below 100% of state median income, adjusted for family size | Child Development Associate Teacher Permit | 1:8 adult to child ratio;  1:24 teacher to child ratio | Education program aligned to the Desired Results Development Profile (DRDP) | DRDP 2 times per year |
| **Head Start** | 3–5 | Family income below federal poverty line | Associate Degree (AA) or Bachelor’s Degree in ECE or  AA in other with 24 units in CD or ECE  or  60 units, including 24 units of CD or ECE and 36 units of General Education | 1:10;  maximum of 17 students (3-year-olds);  maximum of 20 students (4-year-olds) | Research-based curriculum that aligns to the Head Start Early Learning Outcomes Framework | Standardized, structured assessments 3 times per year (in California, this is often the DRDP) |