



Mark Twain Union Elementary School District

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April 18, 2022

Lindsey Gordon, Supervisor
Office of Public School Construction
707 Third St
West Sacramento, CA 95605

RE: Mark Twain Elementary School
Request for *California Preschool, Transitional Kindergarten, and Full-Day Kindergarten
Facilities Grant Program* funding

Dear Ms. Gordon:

The Mark Twain Union Elementary School District is hereby submitting an application for new construction funding under the *California Preschool, Transitional Kindergarten, and Full-Day Kindergarten Facilities Grant Program* for the Mark Twain Elementary School. The following documentation is enclosed for your review:

- *Application for Funding* (Form SAB 70-01)
- Site map of current facilities
- Documentation of enrollment for 2021-22, 2020-21, 2019-20 and 2018-19 (CALPADS Report 1.2)
- Narrative of the current classroom and facility usage at the site, plus the proposed project and usage
- Appraisal of the property
- Resolution allowing the district to provide full-day preschool, transitional kindergarten, and/or kindergarten at the project site

Should you have any questions, concerns, or issue a 15-day letter, please contact our state funding consultant, Chris DeLong of Hancock Park & DeLong, Inc., at 916.832.1047. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Paula M. Wyant
Superintendent

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2024 – 2025:

Student Phase-In: 5th birthday between Sept 2 and June 2

Teacher to Student Ratio: 1:10, contingent on funding

2025 – 2026:

Students 4th birthday by September 1.

- The phase-in can be faster if it allows for stand-alone UPK/UTK classrooms, in classrooms fitting the space, bathroom, and playground requirements.
- All TK/PK programs in school are designed for students who are not 5 at the start of the school year and are old enough to enroll in the traditional kindergarten classroom.



MTUESD Next Steps:

January 2022 – March 2022: Complete a facility needs for both campuses with a focus on spacing and placement of future TK programs.

April 2022 – ongoing:

Disseminate UPK Questionnaire at the Kindergarten round-ups at each site and on-going

Monitor enrollments for both TK and K to determine continuing with a blended program or stand- alone program for TK and for K

Resolution in the Matter of the Expansion of Full-Day TK Application (attached)

Complete and Submit Application for the *California Preschool, Transitional Kindergarten, and Full-Day Kindergarten Facilities Grant Program* funding (attached)

June 2022 – June 2023:

Have a TK – K blended class at each school site; Staff with 1 teacher and trained paraprofessionals to meet the 1:12 ratio, full-day.

Review and Adopt curriculum specific to Tk and K, with staff development embedded in adoption

Assess and plan implementation continuance for the 2023-2024 school year.

DATE HEARD & ACCEPTED BY GOVERNING BOARD: June 23, 2022

Signature of the Board Clerk, Christy Miro: Christy Miro

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