

Transitional Kindergarten Teacher (General Education or Special Education)

DESCRIPTION OF THE ROLE

Transitional Kindergarten (TK) is part of the K-12 public school system and is the first year of a two-year kindergarten program that uses a modified kindergarten curriculum that is age and developmentally appropriate. TK must be taught by an educator who holds a teaching credential ([Source: CTC](#)).

EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Teaching Credential + 24 units of Early Care and Education or Child Development.

There are multiple types of credentials that can be used to teach TK children. Visit the CTC website to learn more: <https://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/assignment-resources/transitional-kindergarten>

SANTA CLARA COUNTY PROGRAMS THAT SUPPORT THIS PATHWAY

Financial support for this pathway is available through the **Early Education Teacher Development Grant, CCTC Classified School Employee Teacher Credential Grant Program, Teacher Residency Grant** (for Education Specialists only in Cupertino, Union, or Morgan Hill Unified), and the Golden State Teacher grant. Contact Educator Workforce Pathways at the Santa Clara County Office of Education for program advising and coaching. **Website:** www.sccoe.org/epp