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KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION and DENTAL SCREENING REQUIREMENTS

Kindergarten registration for the 2012-2013 school year in the Escondido Union School District will begin on **Monday, November 7, 2011**. Parents should register their children at their schools of residence. School offices are open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Parents should check with their school of residence for hours of registration.

To be enrolled in EUSD's Traditional Kindergarten program, a child must turn five years old on or before November 1, 2012. Based on Section 48000 of the Education Code relating to Kindergarten, a child who turns five between November 1 and December 2, 2012 will be eligible to attend EUSD's new Transitional Kindergarten program. Parents will receive further information regarding EUSD's Transitional Kindergarten program based on eligibility from registration information. Proof of age and an up-to-date immunization record (polio, diphtheria, hepatitis B, whooping cough, tetanus, measles, rubella and varicella (chicken pox)) are required. **IMMUNIZATION AGAINST HEPATITIS B AND VARICELLA (CHICKENPOX) ARE A REQUIREMENT FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE ENROLLING IN CALIFORNIA SCHOOLS.**

To make sure your child is ready for school, California law, *Education Code* Section 49452.8, now requires that your child have an oral health assessment (dental check-up) by May 31 in either kindergarten or first grade, whichever is his or her first year in public school. Assessments that have happened within the 12 months before your child enters school also meet this requirement. A California licensed dentist or other licensed or registered dental health professional must do the assessment.

Also as part of the Kindergarten registration process parents must provide proof of residency within the boundaries of the Escondido Union School District. **Photocopies of these documents will be kept on file at the school site.** Residency may be verified by submitting an original of **ONE** of the following items:

1. Deed to a home or mortgage payment receipts/coupons in parent's/guardian's name
2. Close of escrow receipt
3. Executed lease agreement/rental contract with property owner or his/her agent's signature
4. Utility receipt or "start order" from gas, electric, water, telephone, or other utility company. Name of parent/guardian must be on the utility receipt.
5. Current bank statement
6. Current tax receipt (property taxes or personal taxes)

7. Current social services verification document (CalWORKS, Medi-Cal, etc.) with parents'/guardians' name and address

If parents desire to have their child attend a school in Escondido other than their school of residence, they may complete a School Choice Intradistrict Transfer Application form and submit it to the school they wish their child to attend starting on **Monday, November 7, 2011**. Students entering Central, Farr, Glen View, Juniper, Oak Hill, Pioneer and Rose schools have the option to apply for a School Choice transfer under the provisions of the *Elementary and Secondary Education Act*. In addition students entering Central, Felicita, and Rose schools have the option to apply for a School Choice transfer under the provisions of the *Open Enrollment Act(pending)*. School Choice forms will be available at the school of residence at the time of registration and must be submitted to the school of desired attendance no later than **Friday, December 9, 2011**. Parents will be notified in **February 2012** if their School Choice transfer request is approved according to district procedures. ALL STUDENTS REQUESTING A TRANSFER MUST INITIALLY BE REGISTERED AT THEIR SCHOOL OF RESIDENCE.