



Universal Pre-Kindergarten Criterion Proposal

CDE Requirements for servicing TK students in 2023 and beyond:

- As a condition of apportionment, existing law requires a credentialed teacher who is first assigned to a TK classroom after July 1, 2015, to have one of the following by August 1, 2023:
 - At least 24 units in early childhood education, childhood development, **or both**;
 - **As determined by the LEA employing the teacher, professional experience in a classroom setting with preschool age children that is comparable to the 24 units of education described above; or**
 - A child development teacher permit issued by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing.
 - **Permit options:** Child Development Teacher Permit, Child Development Master Teacher Permit, Child Development Site Supervisor Permit, or the Child Development Program Director Permit

Excel Academy's proposals relate to the second criterion highlighted above:

1. Teachers of Record who have taught a minimum of 2 years of preschool or transitional kindergarten in a classroom setting will be eligible to support TK students on their rosters based on their prior experience, with a commitment to ongoing professional development.
2. Teachers of Record who have worked with TK students for a minimum of 2 years at Excel Academy and have acquired 9 units of relevant Child Development coursework by August 1, 2023 (and 12 units by December 1, 2023) will be eligible to support TK students on their roster, with a commitment to ongoing professional development.