

WELCOME TO
CURRICULUM NIGHT
Camarena Elementary



2014-2015
Transitional Kindergarten

Teachers:
Mrs. Huezo & Ms. Karem

The Huerdo Family





The deAlva-Karem Family



What is Transitional Kindergarten?



- Transitional kindergarten is defined as “*the first year of a two-year kindergarten program that uses a modified kindergarten curriculum that is age and developmentally appropriate*” (Education Code Section 48000[d]).
- Transitional kindergarten offers children with birthdays between September 2nd and December 1st a developmentally appropriate curriculum *aligned with kindergarten standards*, taught by credentialed teachers.

Camarena TK Curriculum



- Transitional Kindergarten students do not experience two years of traditional kindergarten. They participate in a developmentally appropriate educational experience based on the California Preschool Learning Foundations and California's Common Core Standards for kindergarten.
- Positive early relationships are vital to the foundation of healthy development and greatly influence a child's ability to achieve later in life (Cohen, Onunaku, Clothier, & Poppe, 2005).

Please visit www.tkcalifornia.org for a look at the exciting and pioneering curriculum.

Technology

- TK Blog Websites for each class:
 - Mrs. Huezo :
 - <https://camarenapmtk.wordpress.com>
 - Mrs. Karem :
 - <https://morningtkcamarena2015.wordpress.com>
- Smart Classrooms
 - Wireless Internet
 - Student iPads
 - Educational Websites Classroom Teaching Technology
 - starfall.com
 - pebblego.com
 - ixl.com
 - capstonelibrary.com
 - bigday.com
 - endlessreader.com
 - discoveryeducation.com



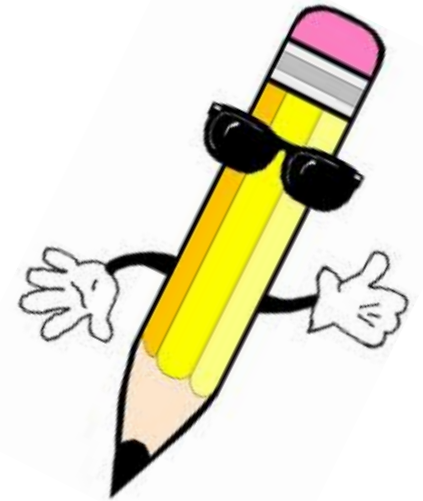
Reading Goals for TK

- **Print Concepts** – understands the organization and features of print (top to bottom, left to right)
- **Phonological Awareness** – hearing sounds in speech for rhyming and sound manipulation.
- **Letters and Sounds** – (Alphafriends CD & mat).
- **Phonics** – letter/sound relationships to blend, segment, and read words.
- **Sight Words** – memorize 25 most common words by “sight.”
- **Reading Literature** – characters, setting, major events, author and illustrator’s role, compare and contrast stories.
- **Reading Informational Text** – main topic and key details, ask and answer questions about text.
- **Books Are Treasures** – year-long reading incentive program.

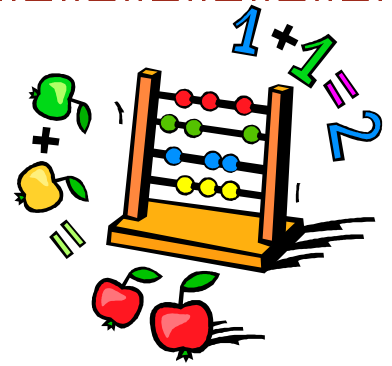


Writing Goals for TK

- Speak audibly and clearly and produce complete sentences (language comes first – then writing)
- Students progress through stages of writing: pictures, labeling, letter strings, beginning sounds, final sounds, middle sounds
- Transitional writing: spell words phonetically
- Writing instruction occurs across the curriculum
- Name and use end punctuation



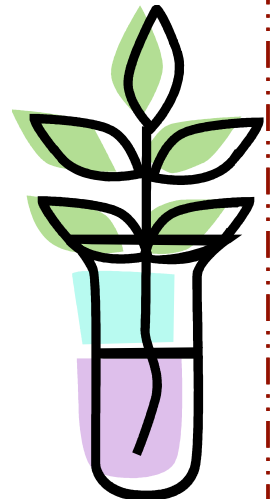
Math Goals for TK



- Identify numbers 1-10
- Count to 30
- 1:1 Correspondence up to 10
- Compare numbers: more, less, equal
- Identify and describe shapes (squares, circles, triangles, rectangles, hexagons)
- Calendar Math (purpose of calendar)
- Patterning: AB, ABC, AABB, etc.

Science & Social Studies

- Being a good citizen
- Community workers and helpers
- Five Senses: sight, smell, hear, touch, taste
- Parts of the Body
- Healthy Foods
- Weather and seasons
- Multi-Cultural Traditions
- Famous Artists
- Life cycle of plants, e.g. pumpkins
- Animal movements, body parts, and classes: mammals, fish, birds, reptiles, amphibians, insects



Student Progress

- Teachers monitor student progress via routine assessments
- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- TK Report Card



Behavior Support System

We believe in positive reinforcement and appropriate consequences. ***Follow through at home makes the classroom management system more meaningful and effective.***

Remind your child that his/her behavior affects not only himself/herself but others.

- We acknowledge pro-social behaviors by giving students specific verbal praise and **Super Friends cards**.
- Once a student has 5 cards, they can wear the Super Friend Cape!



TK HOURS

Reminders



- Morning: 8:00-11:20
- Afternoon: 11:40-3:00
- No playing on the play structures before or after school.
- Bring homework folders every Monday.
- Return library books every Thursday.
- Please remember to label your child's items including backpacks, lunch bags, and sweaters.
- No shoes with laces if your child is unable to tie.
- No open-toe shoes, or canvas shoes.
- Email is best for communication. Classroom time is sacred, and we reserve that time for instruction.



Donations

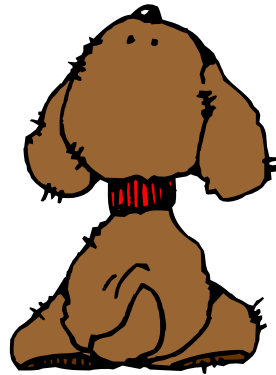
- Notebook Page Protectors
- Sanitizing Wipes
- Hand Sanitizer
- Glue Sticks
- Tissue
- Skinny White Board Markers
- Black Skinny Felt Tip Pens
- Crafty Decorations for Art Center
- Craft or Painters Tape
- Your Time! 😊



PLEASE BECOME PTA MEMBERS!

Please join our PTA!!!

Special Events!!!



<http://camarenaelementary.com>

Thank you for coming!



Thank you for attending our
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Have a great evening! 😊

Camarena Elementary also has a blog:

camarenaelementary.com