



**Transitional Kindergarten Summer Institutes!** The California Kindergarten Association will be presenting one day interactive workshops designed for TK teachers and staff. Topics will include best practices for TK, TK Standards using Preschool Foundations/Common Core, curriculum, TK learning environment & classroom management, strategies for English Learners, parent involvement, assessment and much more!

The first institute will be held on Saturday, June 22nd in McClellan (**Sacramento area**) and will be followed by institutes in **Stockton** and the **Bay Area**. Watch for detailed information to be emailed soon!

**New to Our Website!** Be sure to visit our updated Transitional Kindergarten section! We've categorized our information to make it more user friendly. We've also added [TK homework examples, schedules and lesson plans, a home activity calendar](#) and a [sample report card](#). In addition to all of that, we have more [TK Teaching Tips!](#)

We've added our latest curricular theme, Science, to the website. If you missed earlier curricular theme eBLASTs, [click here](#) to access them.

For CKA Members, we included [more handouts](#) from the PK1 Conference in the Members Only Section of the website.

**New Transitional Kindergarten Resource** A new resource about Transitional Kindergarten is available online at <http://www.kidango.org/TK.asp>. Funded by the David and Lucile Packard Foundation, The Transitional Kindergarten Information Dissemination Project offers an overview, Q&A, a list of programs in Alameda, Contra Costa, Fresno, and Santa Clara Counties, and other helpful information.

**Dairy Council Seeking Kindergarten Teachers to Test New Program** Kindergarten teachers are invited to teach students about the importance of healthy eating and give input on how to improve the activities. Each teacher will receive free-of-charge a set of materials for their class. We ask that you teach activities within all eight units between September 2013 and March 2014 and share on how well the lessons worked and help us assess student

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- TKP Implementation
- Common Core State Standards lesson plans
- More You Tube videos
- More offerings on our website's Members Only Portal

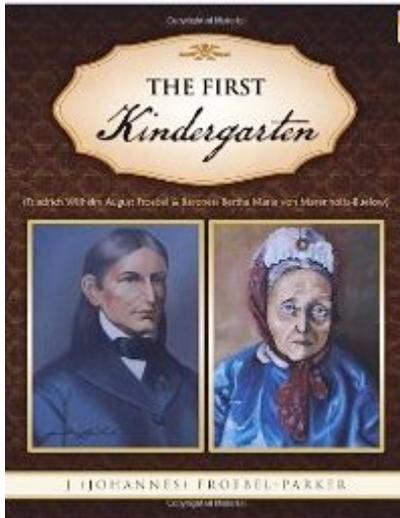
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and family learning. Teachers who are selected for our project group will receive a \$200 incentive check as a thank you for their time!

Sound interesting? Ask your principal if it's ok for you to participate and learn more at [www.HealthyEating.org/JoinProjectKinder](http://www.HealthyEating.org/JoinProjectKinder) or email Trina Robertson with any questions at [trinar@dairycouncilofca.org](mailto:trinar@dairycouncilofca.org).

### ***The First Kindergarten***



The new book, [The First Kindergarten: Friedrich Wilhelm August Froebel & Baroness Bertha Marie von Marenholtz-Buelow](#), by J (Johannes) Froebel-Parker, is now available online. Froebel is the Father of Kindergarten, opening the first Kindertages in Germany. This book joins through literature the lives and contributions of two of the world's greatest proponents of children's education which are still relevant today.

**CDE's New Mathematics Framework** [Click here](#) to see the new draft Mathematics Framework from the California Department of Education. The Framework is posted for public review and comments until June 17th. There has been a significant amount of review but the public is still encouraged to offer feedback.

**CKA's Timeshare in Tahoe Available** CKA's timeshare in Lake Tahoe, the [Stardust Lodge](#), is available for a week beginning July 14<sup>th</sup>. The timeshare is conveniently located on South Tahoe's main boulevard. The cost for the week's stay is \$900.

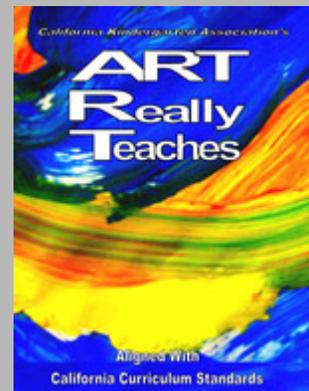
If you are interested renting the timeshare please email the CKA office at [cka@ckanet.org](mailto:cka@ckanet.org).

Have a comment? Want to chat about early childhood issues? Wondering what we've been up to? Come join us on Facebook and connect with other CKA members!

Be sure to check out our "Tuesday Teaching Tips" every week on Facebook!

### **Art Really Teaches (4th Edition)**

Art Really Teaches includes color photos of art projects by 4, 5 and 6 year old artists, tips for framing art work, a project title index as well as over 400 activities to help you teach the standards!



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