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Albuquerque: City of Albuquerque	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	9	✓	✓	✓
Anaheim: Anaheim Elementary School District Transitional Kindergarten	✓	✓	✓		✓				✓	✓	6	✓	✓	✓
Anchorage: Anchorage School District Early Learning (Alcohol Tax Funded)	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	9		✓	✓
Arlington: Arlington ISD Pre-K	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓	✓	6	✓	✓	✓
Atlanta: Georgia Pre-K (Atlanta)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	8	✓	✓	✓
Aurora: Aurora Public Schools Preschool Program (Adams- Arapahoe 28J School District)	✓	✓		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	7	✓	✓	✓
Austin: Austin ISD Pre-K	✓	✓							✓	✓	4	✓	✓	✓
Bakersfield: Bakersfield City School District Transitional Kindergarten	✓	✓	✓						✓		4	✓	✓	✓
Baltimore: Baltimore City Public Schools Pre-K Program	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	8	✓	✓	✓
Boston: K-1 Universal Pre- Kindergarten	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	9	✓	✓	✓
Charlotte: MECK Pre-K	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	10	✓	✓	✓

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Chicago: Preschool for All	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	8	✓	✓	✓
Cincinnati: Cincinnati Public Schools Preschools	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	7	✓	✓	✓
Cleveland: Cleveland Metropolitan School District Preschool Program	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	9	✓	✓	✓
Colorado Springs: Colorado Preschool Program (Colorado Springs School District 11)	✓	✓									2	✓	✓	✓
Columbus: Columbus Early Start	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	8		✓	✓
Corpus Christi: Corpus Christi ISD Pre-K	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓	✓	7	✓	✓	✓
Dallas: Dallas ISD Pre-K (DISD Pre-K)	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓		5	✓	✓	✓
Denver: Denver Preschool Program (DPP)	✓	✓		✓						✓	4	✓	✓	✓
Detroit: Great Start Readiness Program (Detroit)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	10	✓	✓	✓
Durham: Durham PreK	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	10	✓	✓	✓
El Paso: El Paso ISD Universal Pre-K	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓	✓	6	✓	✓	✓

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Fort Worth: Fort Worth ISD Universal Pre-K	✓	✓		✓					✓		4	✓	✓	✓
Fresno: Fresno Unified School District Transitional Kindergarten	✓	✓	✓						✓		4	✓	✓	✓
Greensboro: NC Pre-K Program	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	9	✓	✓	
Henderson: Nevada Ready! State Pre-K In Henderson	✓	✓		✓				✓	✓	✓	7		✓	✓
Honolulu: EOEL Public Prekindergarten Program in Honolulu	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	10		✓	✓
Houston: Houston ISD Pre-K	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓	✓	6	✓	✓	✓
Indianapolis: No Program											NA			
Irvine: Irvine Unified School District TK	✓	✓	✓						✓		4	✓	✓	✓
Jacksonville: Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK)	✓	✓					✓		✓	✓	5	✓	✓	✓
Kansas City: Missouri Preschool Foundation Formula in Kansas City	✓		✓	✓				✓			4		✓	✓
Las Vegas: Nevada Ready! State PreK in Las Vegas	✓	✓		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	7		✓	✓

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Lexington- Fayette: Kentucky Preschool Program	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	8		✓	✓
Lincoln: Nebraska Early Childhood Education Program in Lincoln	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	9	✓	✓	✓	✓
Long Beach: Long Beach Unified School District Transitional Kindergarten	✓	✓	✓						✓		4	✓	✓	✓	✓
Los Angeles: Los Angeles Unified School District Transitional Kindergarten	✓	✓	✓						✓		4	✓	✓	✓	✓
Louisville: Kentucky Preschool Program in Louisville	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	9		✓	✓	✓
Memphis: Tennessee Voluntary Pre-K in Memphis	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	9	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mesa: Quality First Scholarships (in Mesa)	✓	✓								✓	3	✓	✓		
Miami: VPK in Miami	✓		✓			✓		✓	✓	✓	5	✓	✓	✓	✓

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Milwaukee: Wisconsin Four Year Old Kindergarten (4K) in Milwaukee	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓		5	✓	✓	✓
Minneapolis: High-Five	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	9		✓	✓
Nashville: TN Voluntary PreK	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	9		✓	✓
New Orleans: LA4 Early Childhood Program (in New Orleans)	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	8	✓	✓	✓
New York City: Pre-K	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	8	✓	✓	✓
Newark: NJ Expansion Program in Newark	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	9	✓	✓	✓
Oakland: Oakland Unified School District Transitional Kindergarten	✓	✓	✓						✓		4	✓	✓	✓
Oklahoma City: Oklahoma Prekindergarten	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	9	✓	✓	✓
Omaha: Nebraska Early Childhood Education Program (in Omaha)	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓		✓	7	✓	✓	✓
Orlando: VPK in Orlando	✓	✓					✓		✓	✓	5	✓	✓	✓
Philadelphia: PHL PreK	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	9	✓	✓	✓

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Phoenix: Quality First Scholarships (in Phoenix)	✓	✓								✓	3		✓	
Pittsburgh: Pittsburgh Public Schools Early Childhood Education Program	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	9	✓	✓	✓
Plano: Plano ISD Pre-K	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓	✓	6	✓	✓	✓
Portland: Multnomah County Preschool for All	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	7		✓	✓
Raleigh: NC Pre-K (in Wake County)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	9		✓	✓
Riverside: Riverside Unified School District Transitional Kindergarten	✓	✓	✓						✓		4	✓	✓	✓
Sacramento: Sacramento City Unified School District Transitional Kindergarten	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	7	✓	✓	✓
San Antonio: Pre-K 4 San Antonio (Pre-K 4 SA)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	10	✓	✓	✓
San Diego: San Diego Unified School District Transitional Kindergarten	✓	✓	✓						✓		4	✓	✓	✓

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San Francisco: Preschool for All (PFA)	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	8	✓	✓	✓
San Jose: San Jose Unified School District Transitional Kindergarten	✓	✓	✓					✓	✓	✓	6	✓	✓	✓
Santa Ana: Santa Ana Unified School District Transitional Kindergarten	✓	✓	✓					✓	✓		5	✓	✓	✓
Seattle: Seattle Preschool Program	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	10		✓	✓
St. Louis: Missouri Preschool Foundation Formula (PFF) in St. Louis	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	9	✓	✓	✓
St. Paul: St. Paul Public Schools Preschool	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	8	✓	✓	✓
Stockton: Stockton Unified School District Transitional Kindergarten	✓	✓	✓					✓	✓		5	✓	✓	✓
Tampa: VPK in Tampa	✓	✓					✓		✓	✓	5	✓	✓	✓
Toledo: Toledo Public Schools Pre-K	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	9	✓	✓	✓

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Tucson: Pima Early Education Program (PEEPs): School District Expansion	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	8		✓	✓
Tulsa: Tulsa Pre-K	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	9	✓	✓	✓
Virginia Beach: Virginia Preschool Initiative (VPI) in Virginia Beach	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	9		✓	✓
Washington, DC: Pre-K	✓	✓							✓	✓	4	✓	✓	✓
Wichita: Pre-K in Wichita Public Schools	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	9	✓	✓	✓

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