



KENT ISD EARLY CHILDHOOD PLAYGROUPS JANUARY 2023



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MONDAY, JANUARY 8 | 10-11

Location: Bushnell Elementary, Lowell
Parent Educator: Pam Skinner
EO Provider: Jackie Roepke
For Information: 616-843-0179
Theme: Fantasies and Fairy Tales
To Note: **Free hearing and vision screening**

MONDAY, JANUARY 8 | 10-11

Location: Duncan ECC, Caledonia Center
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Music
To Note: We have 2 connecting classrooms with lots of room for play!

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9 | 10-11

Location: Woodcliff Early CCC, East Grand Rapids
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
EO Provider: Sarah Kugler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Music
To Note: We will be in the gym and we will have the BOUNCE HOUSE for lots of gross motor fun.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9 | 10-11

Location: Kent City Elementary, Kent City
Parent Educator: Lora Jenema
EO Provider: Deanna Cowden
For Information: 616-439-1745
Theme: Snow Fun
To Note: Park and use the door by the 17 Mile entrance by the school sign.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9 | 10:30-11:30

Location: Kenowa Hills ECC
Parent Educator: Monique Vance
EO Provider: Alli Soukup
For Information: 616-929-2061
Theme: Penguins and Polar Bears

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10 | 9-10

Location: Wyoming ECC, Wyoming
Parent Educator: Julie Woody
For Information: 447-3201
Theme: Penguins and Polar Bears
To Note: **The Bookmobile will be there!**

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10 | 10-11

Location: Wellerwood ECC, Grand Rapids
Parent Educator: Kelsey West
EO Provider(s): Rachel Denhof
For Information: 616-951-3120
Theme: Winter Wonderland
To Note: Please sign in at the front office.
The playgroup will be held in the library room.



WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10 | 10-11

Location: Red Hawk Intermediate, Cedar Springs
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Music

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10 | 10-11

Location: Meadow Ridge Elementary, Rockford
Parent Educator: Nicole Burman
EO Provider: Amy Kurtz
For Information: 616-951-3184
Theme: Snow Fun

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11 | 10-11

Location: Grandville Education Center, Grandville
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Music
To Note: **The Bookmobile will be there!**

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11 | 10:30-11:30

Location: Hamilton ECC, Kentwood
Parent Educator: Julie Woody
For Information: 447-3201
Theme: Penguins and Polar Bears

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12 | 10-11

Location: Greenridge Elementary, Comstock Park
Parent Educator: Heidi VanOverloop
EO Provider: Erin Calkins
For Information: 616-552-9931.
Theme: Winter Wonderland

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12 | 10-11

Location: West Oakview Elementary, Northview
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Music

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12 | 10-11

Location: Ada Elementary, Forest Hills
Parent Educator: Laura Westdale
EO Provider: Jackie Roepke
For Information: 616-287-2924
Theme: Winter Wonderland

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 12 | 10-11

Location: Byron Center ECC, Byron Center
Parent Educator: Valerie Cassell
EO Provider: Brianne Blevins
For Information: 616-287-3453
Theme: Hop, Skip, Jump and Roll
To Note: **The Bookmobile will be there!**



MONDAY, JANUARY 15 | 10-11

Location: Wellerwood ECC, Grand Rapids
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Winter Wonderland
Note: We will be in the school library

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16 | 10-11

Location: Kenowa Hills ECC, Kenowa Hills
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Winter Wonderland

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16 | 10-11

Location: Woodcliff ECC, East Grand Rapids
Parent Educator: Laura Westdale
EO Provider: Sarah Kugler
For Information: 616-287-2924
Theme: Sleigh bells and snow

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17 | 10-11

Location: Greenridge Elementary, Comstock Park
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Winter Wonderland

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17 | 2-3

Location: Kent County Health Department, Grand Rapids
Parent Educator: Kelsey West
For Information: 616-951-3120
Theme: Winter Wonderland
To Note: Located in the WIC office on the garden level in the Lakes Room.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18 | 9:30-10:30

Location: Murray Lake Elementary, Lowell
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Winter Wonderland
To Note: We will be in the gym.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18 | 2-3

Location: Sparta ECC, Sparta
Parent Educator: Emily Elliott
EO Provider: Emily Grix
For Information: 616-425-9819
Theme: Snow Fun

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19 | 10-11

Location: Red Hawk Intermediate, Cedar Springs
Parent Educator: Lora Jenema
EO Provider: Tari Howland
For Information: 616-439-1745
Theme: Mittens for Me
To Note: Come in using the Beach Entrance off of Northland Dr. Park in Preschool Parking lot and go in the Early Childhood Entrance.



FRIDAY, JANUARY 19 | 10-11

Location: Kelloggsville ECC, Kelloggsville
Parent Educator: Valerie Cassell
EO Provider: Heather Tamminga
For Information: 616-287-3453
Theme: Hop, Skip, Jump and Roll

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19 | 10-11

Location: Godfrey Lee ECC, Godfrey Lee, Godwin Heights
Parent Educator: Esther Gomez
For Information: 616-447-3902
Theme: Penguins and Polar Bears
To Note: **Grupo de juego en Español**

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19 | 10-11

Location: Godwin Heights ECC, Godwin Heights
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Winter Wonderland
To Note: We will be in room #23.
Bilingual grupo de juego en Español

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19 | 10-11

Location: Hamilton ECC, Grand Rapids, Kentwood
Parent Educator: Rebecca Hodges
For Information: 616-447-3101
Theme: South Kent Baby Buddies
To Note: Group is for babies under 14 months of age or those not yet walking.

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 19 | 10:30-11:30

Location: Thornapple Kellogg ECC,
Caledonia/Thornapple Kellogg
Parent Educator: Kaley Rogers
EO Provider: Joyce Irvine
For Information: 616-419-8204
Theme: Penguins and Polar Bears

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19 | 10-11

Location: West Oakview Elementary,
Northview
Parent Educator: Nicole Burman
EO Provider: Deanna Cowden
For Information: 616-951-3184
Theme: Snow Fun

MONDAY, JANUARY 22 | 11:30-12:30

Location: KDL - Cascade Township
Branch, Forest Hills
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Totally Teeth

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23 | 10-11

Location: Byron Center ECC, Byron
Center
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Totally Teeth



WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24 | 9-10

Location: Wyoming ECC, Wyoming
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Totally Teeth
To Note: **The Bookmobile will be there!**

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25 | 10-11

Location: Red Hawk Intermediate, Cedar
Springs
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Totally Teeth
To Note: Come in using the Beach Entrance off
of Northland Dr. Park in Preschool parking lot
and go in the Early Childhood Entrance.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25 | 10-11

Location: Duncan Lake ECC, Caledonia/
Thornapple Kellogg
Parent Educator: Kaley Rogers
For Information: 616-419-8204
Theme: Penguins and Polar Bears

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26 | 10-11

Location: Buchanan Elementary, Godfrey
Lee/Godwin Heights/Grand Rapids
Parent Educator: Esther Gomez
EO Provider: Delilah Coronado
For Information: 616-447-3902
Theme: Penguins and Polar Bears
To Note: **Grupo de juego en Español**

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26 | 10-11

Location: Godfrey Lee ECC, Godfrey Lee
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Totally Teeth
To Note: We will be in Room #215.
Bilingual grupo de juego en Español.
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MONDAY, JANUARY 29 | 11:30-12:30

Location: Sparta ECC, Sparta
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Ocean Wonders
To Note: We will be in Room #6051

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30 | 10-11

Location: Kent City Elementary, Kent City
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Ocean Wonders
To Note: Enter through the East Muskegon
Street Entrance. Look for the Bright
Beginnings sign and ring the door bell.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31 | 10-11

Location: Meadow Ridge Elementary,
Rockford
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Ocean Wonders
To Note: We will be in the Gross Motor
Room.



WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31 | 10-11

Location: Red Hawk Intermediate, Cedar Springs
Parent Educator: Kristi Webber
For Information: 616-439-4118
Theme: North Kent Baby Buddies
To Note: Group is for under 14 months of age.
Enter at the Early Childhood.
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LOCATION ADDRESSES

Directions to our playgroups

(Additional information at bbplaygroups.kentisd.org)

Ada Elementary: 731 Ada Dr. SE, Ada, MI 49301
Byron Center ECC: 2300 84th Ave, Byron Center, MI 49315
Buchanan Elementary: 1775 Buchanan Avenue SW, Grand Rapids, MI 49507
Bushnell Elementary: 700 Elizabeth St SE, Lowell, MI 49331
Byron Center ECC: 2300 84th St SW, Byron Center, MI 49315
Duncan Lake ECC: 9751 Duncan Lake Ave SE, Caledonia, MI 49316
Godfrey-Lee ECC: 961 Joosten St. SW, Wyoming, MI 49509
Godwin Heights ECC: 28 Bellevue Street SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49548
Grandville Education Center: 3481 Fairlanes AVE SW, Grandville, MI 49418
Greenridge Elementary: 3825 Oakridge, Comstock Park, MI 49321
Hamilton ECC: 3303 Breton RD SE Grand Rapids, MI 49512
KDL Cascade Township: 2870 Jacksmith Ave SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546
Kelloggsville ECC: 977 44th Street, Wyoming, MI 49509
Kent City Elementary: 29 College St, Kent City, MI 49330
Kent County Health Department: 700 Fuller NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49503
Kenowa Hills ECC: 3971 Richmond Ct NW, Walker, MI 49534
Meadow Ridge Elementary: 8100 Courtland Drive NE, Rockford, MI 49341
Murray Lake Elementary: 3275 Alden Nash Avenue NE, Lowell, MI 49331
Red Hawk Intermediate: 204 E Muskegon ST Cedar Springs, MI 49319
Sparta ECC: 480 S. State Street, Sparta, MI 49345
Thornapple Kellogg ECC: 3316 Bender Road, Middleville, MI 49333
Wellerwood ECC: 800 Wellerwood St NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49505
West Oakview Elementary: 3880 Stuyvesant Ave NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49525
Woodcliff ECC: 2915 Hall St. SE, East Grand Rapids, MI 49506
Wyoming ECC: 4334 Byron Center Ave. SW, Wyoming, MI 49519



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