



KENT ISD EARLY CHILDHOOD PLAYGROUPS MAY 2023



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MONDAY, MAY 1ST | 10-11

Location: Sparta Early Childhood Center
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
EO Provider: Tari Howland
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Rainforest Safari

TUESDAY, MAY 2ND | 10-11

Location: Kent City Elementary
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Rainforest Safari
To Note: Look for the Bright Beginnings sign, enter through the door off Muskegon Street.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3RD | 10-11

Location: Red Hawk Intermediate
Parent Educator: Kristi Webber
For Information: 616-439-4118.
Theme: North Kent Baby Buddies
To Note: Group is for babies under 14 months of age or not yet walking. Use the Beach Entrance off of Northland Dr. Park by preschool playground. Doors open from 9:55-10:10 only.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3RD | 10-11

Location: Buchanan Elementary
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Drop In and Play
To Note: **Bilingual- Grupo de Juego en Español.**
Health and Nutrition Playgroup.

THURSDAY, MAY 4TH | 10-11

Location: Grandville Education Center
Parent Educator: Monique Vance
EO Provider: Shea Eminhizer
For Information: 616-929-2061
Theme: Rainbows and Raindrops
Free hearing and vision screening.

THURSDAY, MAY 4TH | 10-11

Location: Ada Elementary School
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Drop In and Play
To Note: We will be in the Science Lab. Enter and Sign In at the Main Office.



FRIDAY, MAY 5TH | 10-11

Location: Kelloggsville Early Childhood Center
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Drop In and Play



FRIDAY, MAY 5TH | 10-11

Location: Greenridge Elementary
Parent Educator: Heidi VanOverloop
EO Provider: Erin Calkins
For Information: 616-552-9931
Theme: Monster Size Fun

FRIDAY, MAY 5TH | 10-11

Location: Kent Transition Center
Parent Educator: Trisha Domeier-Akers
For Information: 616-516-5148
Theme: Zippity Zoo Day
To Note: Check-in at the front office.

FRIDAY, MAY 5TH | 10-11

Location: Godfrey-Lee Early Childhood Center
Parent Educator: Ruth Gutierrez Van-Beek
EO Provider: Ann Stacey
For Information: 616-287-2818
Theme: Bugs, Bees and Butterflies
To Note: **Grupo de Juego en Español.**

MONDAY, MAY 8TH | 10-11

Location: Red Hawk Intermediate
Parent Educator: Lora Jenema
For Information: 616-439-1745
Theme: Ocean Wonders
To Note: Use the Beach Entrance off of Northland Dr. Park by preschool playground. Doors open from 9:55-10:10 only.

MONDAY, MAY 8TH | 10-11

Location: Lowell Area School Administration Building
Parent Educator: Pam Skinner
EO Provider: Jackie Roepke
For Information: 616-843-0179
Theme: Bugs, Bees and Butterflies
To Note: Please park in the back by playground.



MONDAY, MAY 8TH | 10-11

Location: Duncan Lake Early Childhood Center
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Drop In and Play
To Note: We will be in the STARS Room.

MONDAY, MAY 8TH | 11:30-12:30

Location: Huntington Woods Early Childhood Center
Parent Educator: Kristy Elenbaas and Amy Lente
EO Provider: Liz Snow
For Information: 616-710-1755
Theme: Bugs, Bees and Butterflies

TUESDAY, MAY 9TH | 10-11

Location: Woodcliff Early Childhood Center
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
EO Provider: Sarah Kugler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Drop In and Play
To Note: Enter through Door 1.

TUESDAY, MAY 9TH | 10:30-11:30

Location: Kenowa Hills- Early Childhood Center
Parent Educator: Monique Vance
EO Provider: Alli Soukup
For Information: 616-929-2061
Theme: Rainbows and Raindrops
Free hearing and vision screening.

Online Pre- Enrollment:

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



WEDNESDAY, MAY 10TH | 10-11

Location: Thornapple Kellogg Early Childhood Center
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
EO Provider: Joyce Irvine
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Kaleidoscope of Colors

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10TH | 10-11

Location: Parkside Elementary
Parent Educator: Nicole Burman
EO Provider: Rachel Denhof
For Information: 616-951-3184
Theme: Bugs, Bees and Butterflies
To Note: **Free hearing and vision screening.**

THURSDAY, MAY 11TH | 10-11

Location: Grandville Education Center
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Kaleidoscope of Colors
To Note: Enter through the east entrance. We will be in the gym.

THURSDAY, MAY 11TH | 10:30-11:30

Location: Hamilton Early Childhood Center
Parent Educator: Julie Woody
EO Provider: Amber Mayfield
For Information: 447-3201
Theme: Fantasies and Fairy Tales

FRIDAY, MAY 12TH | 10-11

Location: West Oakview Elementary
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffle
EO Provider: Denise Mathison
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Kaleidoscope of Colors

FRIDAY, MAY 12TH | 9:30-10:30

Location: Byron Center Early Childhood Center
Parent Educator: Valerie Cassell
EO Provider: Michelle Kosiara
For Information: 616-287-3453
Theme: Five Green and Speckled Frogs
To Note: **Free hearing and vision screening.**

FRIDAY, MAY 12TH | 10-11

Location: Godwin Heights Early Childhood Center
Parent Educator: Ruth Gutierrez Van-Beek
EO Provider: Megan Rosalez
For Information: 616-287-2818
Theme: Bugs, Bees and Butterflies
To Note: **Grupo de Juego en Español.**

FRIDAY, MAY 12TH | 10-11

Location: Buchanan Elementary
Parent Educator: Esther Gomez
EO Provider: Delilah Coronado
For Information: 616-447-3092
Theme: Bugs, Bees and Butterflies
To Note: **Grupo de Juego en Español.**



FRIDAY, MAY 12TH | 10:30-11:30

Location: KDL Alto Branch
Parent Educator: Julie Woody
For Information: 447-3201
Theme: Fantasies and Fairy Tales



MONDAY, MAY 15TH | 9:30-10:30

Location: Murray Lake Elementary
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Kaleidoscope of Colors
To Note: We will be in the gym.

TUESDAY, MAY 16TH | 10:30-11:30

Location: Kenowa Hills ECC
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Kaleidoscope of Colors

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17TH | 10-11

Location: Greenridge Elementary
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Out for a Walk
To Note: We will be in Classroom #9.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17TH | 10-11

Location: Lakeside Park
Parent Educator: Rebecca Hodges
EO Provider: Ashley Sturgis
For Information: 616-447-3101
Theme: Camp out
To Note: Outside playgroup! We will be at the first playground on the left.

THURSDAY, MAY 18TH | 10-11

Location: Red Hawk Intermediate
Parent Educator: Caroline Galle
For Information: 616-788-8324
Theme: Rainbows and Raindrops
To Note: Use the Beach Entrance off of Northland Dr. Park by preschool playground. Doors open from 9:55-10:10 only.

THURSDAY, MAY 18TH | 10:30-11:30

Location: Hamilton Early Childhood Center
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Out for a Walk
To Note: Special Programming! Partnership with Hamilton Staff.

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THURSDAY, MAY 18TH | 2-3

Location: Sparta Early Childhood Center
Parent Educator: Emily Elliott
EO Provider: Emily Grix
For Information: 616-425-9819
Theme: Rainbows and Raindrops

FRIDAY, MAY 19TH | 9:30-10:30

Location: Kelloggsville Early Learning Center
Parent Educator: Valerie Cassell
EO Provider: Heather Tamminga
For Information: 616-287-3453
Theme: Five Green and Speckled Frogs
To Note: **Free hearing and vision screening.**

FRIDAY, MAY 19 | 10-11

Location: Thornapple Kellogg Early Childhood Center
Parent Educator: Rebecca Hodges
EO Provider: Ashley Sturgis
For Information: 616-447-3101
Theme: Playground Exploration
To Note: We will be outside on the playground.



FRIDAY, MAY 19TH | 10-11

Location: West Oak Elementary
Parent Educator: Nicole Burman
EO Provider: Denise Mathison
For Information: 616-951-3184
Theme: Bugs, Bees and Butterflies
To Note: **Free hearing and vision screening.**

FRIDAY, MAY 19TH | 10-11

Location: Godwin Heights Early Childhood Center
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Out for a Walk
To Note: **Bilingual- Grupo de Juego en Español.**

FRIDAY, MAY 19TH | 10:30-11:30

Location: Hamilton Early Childhood Center
Parent Educator: Meredith Cornillie
EO Provider: Nicki Blain
For Information: 616-727-0695
Theme: South Kent Baby Buddies
To Note: Group is for babies under 14 months of age or those not yet walking.

FRIDAY, MAY 19TH | 10:30-11:30

Location: Ada Elementary School
Parent Educator: Trisha Domeier-Akers
EO Provider: Jackie Roepke
For Information: 616-516-5148
Theme: Zippity Zoo Day
To Note: Check-in at the front office.



MONDAY, MAY 22ND | 10-11

Location: Ken-O-Sha Elementary
Parent Educator: Meredith Cornillie
For Information: 616-727-0695.
Theme: Let's Have a Ball
To Note: This playgroup is outside on the playground! In the event of poor weather, it will move inside.

MONDAY, MAY 22ND | 10-11

Location: Pinery Park
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Out for a Walk
To Note: This is an outdoor playgroup. Come enjoy some Spring time fresh air!

TUESDAY, MAY 23 | 10-11

Location: Woodcliff Early Childhood Center
Parent Educator: Laura Westdale
For Information: 616-287-2924
Theme: Camp Out

TUESDAY, MAY 23RD | 10-11

Location: Byron Center Early Childhood Center
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Out for a Walk



WEDNESDAY, MAY 24TH | 10-11

Location: Parkside Elementary
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Bugs, Bees and Butterflies
To Note: We will be in the Art Room.

THURSDAY, MAY 25TH | 10-11

Location: Red Hawk Intermediate
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Bugs, Bees and Butterflies
To Note: Use the Beach Entrance off of Northland Dr. Park by preschool playground. Doors open from 9:55-10:10 only.

FRIDAY, MAY 26TH | 10-11

Location: Buchanan Elementary
Parent Educator: Esther Gomez
EO Provider: Delilah Coronado
For Information: (616)447-3092
Theme: Puppets and Me
To Note: **Grupo de Juego en Español.**

FRIDAY, MAY 26TH | 10-11

Location: Godfrey Lee Early Childhood Center
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Bugs, Bees and Butterflies
To Note: **Bilingual- Grupo de Juego en Español.** We will be in Room #211.

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PLAYGROUP GUIDELINES

- *Please sanitize your family's hands before arrival and before handling any supplies.
- *Please stay home if you or someone in your home doesn't feel well or if you have been exposed to Covid.



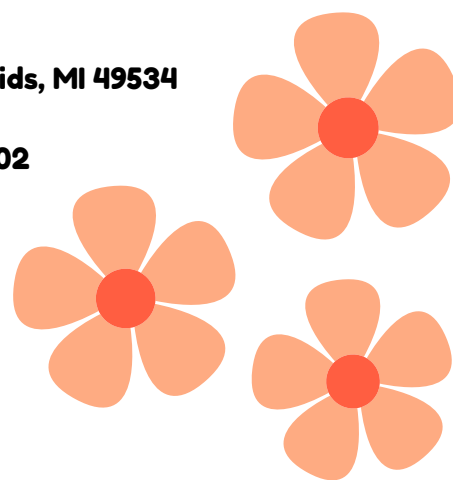
KENT ISD EARLY CHILDHOOD PLAYGROUPS Location Addresses



Address Locations

(See additional parking details on our website, bbplaygroups.kentisd.org)

Ada Elementary: 731 Ada DR SE, Ada, MI 49301
Buchanan Elementary: 1775 Buchanan Avenue SW, Grand Rapids, MI 49507
Byron Center Early Childhood Center: 2300 84th ST Byron Center, MI 49315
Duncan Lake Early Childhood Center: 9751 Duncan Lake AVE SE, Caledonia, MI 49316
Godfrey- Lee Early Childhood Center: 961 Joosten ST SW, Wyoming, MI 49509
Godwin Heights Early Childhood Center: 28 Bellevue ST SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49548
Grandville Education Center: 3481 Fairlanes AVE SW, Grandville, MI 49418
Greenridge Elementary: 3825 Oakridge NE, Comstock Park MI 49321
Hamilton Early Childhood Center: 3303 Breton RD SE Grand Rapids, MI 49512
Huntington Woods Early Childhood Center: 4334 Byron Center AVE SW, Wyoming, MI 49519
Kelloggsville Early Childhood Center: 977 44th ST, Wyoming, MI 49509
Ken-O-Sha Elementary: 1353 Van Auken ST SE Grand Rapids, MI 49508
Kenowa Hills Early Childhood Center: 3971 Richmond CT NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49534
Kent City Elementary: 29 College ST Kent City, MI 49330
Kent District Library (Alto Branch) 6071 Linfield AVE SE, Lowell, MI 49302
Kent Transition Center: 1800 Leffingwell AVE NE, GR, MI 49525
Lakeside Park: 370 N Lake St SE, Caledonia, MI 49316
Lowell Area School Administration: 300 High ST Lowell, MI 49331
Murray Lake Elementary: 3275 Alden Nash AVE NE, Lowell, MI 49331
Parkside Elementary: 156 Lewis ST Rockford, MI 49341
Pinery Park: 2301 De Hoop Avenue, Wyoming, MI 49509
Red Hawk Intermediate: 204 E Muskegon ST Cedar Springs, MI 49319
Sparta Early Childhood Center: 480 S State ST, Sparta, MI 49345
Thornapple Kellogg Early Childhood Center: 3316 Bender RD Middleville, MI 49333
West Oakview Elementary: 3880 Stuyvesant AVE NE Grand Rapids, MI 49525
Woodcliff Early Childhood Center: 2915 Hall ST East Grand Rapids, MI 49506



Outdoor Groups:

DW Richardson Park: 5255 Grand River DR NE Grand Rapids, MI 49525
Pinery Park: 2301 DeHoop AVE Wyoming, MI 49509

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If you or someone in your family is not feeling well, please stay home. Thank you!

