



KENT ISD EARLY CHILDHOOD **PLAYGROUPS**

JUNE 2024



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MONDAY, JUNE 3 | 10-11

Location: Manhattan Park Pavillion, East

Grand Rapids

Parent Educator: Marelne Raffler For Information: 616-528-0866 Theme: Piggy Bank Playtime

To Note: This is an outdoor playgroup and will be cancelled in the event of rain.

TUESDAY, JUNE 4 | 10-11

Location: Dwight Lydell Park, Comstock

Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler For Information: 616-528-0866 Theme: Piggy Bank Playtime

To Note: This is an outdoor playgroup and will be cancelled in the event of rain.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5 | 10-11

Location: Frog Hallow, Wyoming Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler For Information: 616-528-0866 Theme: Piggy Bank Playtime

To Note: Frog Hollow is a universally accessible park. This is an outdoor playgroup and will be

cancelled in the event of rain.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5 | 10-11

Location: Wahlfield Park, Comstock

Park

Parent Educator: Heidi VanOverloop For Information: 616-552-9931

Theme: Out for a Walk

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5 | 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. Pull into the Beach entrance off Northland Dr. Go straight through stop. Park at Preschool playground. Enter through Early Childhood

entrance.

THURSDAY, JUNE 6 | 10-11

Location: Walker Community Park,

Kenowa Hills

Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler For Information: 616-528-0866 Theme: Piggy Bank Playtime

To Note: This is an outdoor playgroup and will be cancelled in the event of rain.

THURSDAY, JUNE 6 | 10-11

Location: Cedar Springs Early Childhood Center

in RedHawk, Cedar Springs Parent Educator: Lora Jenema **EO Provider: Tari Howland** For Information: 616-439-1745 Theme: Let's Have a Ball

To Note: Use Beach entrance off of Northland Dr. Enter in the Early Childhood Entrance

THURSDAY, JUNE 6 | 10-11

Location: Wedgewood Park, Grandville Parent Educator: Monique Vance For Information: 616-929-2061 Theme: Fun with Shapes

FRIDAY, JUNE 7 | 10-11

Location: Whistle Stop Park, Byron

Parent Educator: Allison Marrero **EO Provider: Brianne Blevins** For Information: 616-320-2156 Theme: Day at the Park

FRIDAY, JUNE 7 | 10-11

Location: Garfield Park

Parent Educator: Leslie Delgado For Information: 616-287-2693. Theme: Our Friend Earth

To Note: Grupo de juego en Español!

FRIDAY, JUNE 7 | 10-11

Location: Playground at Premier Park/Meijer

Sports Complex, Rockford Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler For Information: 616-528-0866 Theme: Piggy Bank Playtime

To Note: This is an outdoor playgroup and will

be cancelled in the event of rain. THE BOOKMOBILE WILL BE THERE!

FRIDAY, JUNE 7 | 10-11

Location: Ada Township Park, Forest Hills Parent Educator: Laura Westdale For Information: 616-287-2924

Theme: Camp out

To Note: We will be gathered near the pavilion and playground. This is an outdoor play group. If it rains, play group will be cancelled.

MONDAY, JUNE 10 | 10-11

Location: Creekside Park, Lowell Parent Educator: Pam Skinner EO Provider: Jackie Roepke For Information: 616-843-0179

Theme: Park Days

TUESDAY, JUNE, 11 | 10-11

Location: Whistle Stop Park, Byron Center Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler For Information: 616-528-0866 Theme: Bugs, Bees and Butterflies

To Note: This is an outdoor playgroup and will be cancelled in the event of rain.

Online Pre- Enrollment:

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TUESDAY, JUNE 11 | 10:30-11:30

Location: Walker Community Park,

Kenowa Hills

Parent Educator: Monique Vance

EO Provider: Alli Soukup For Information: 616-929-2061 Theme: Fun with Shapes

TUESDAY, JUNE 11 | 10-11

Location: Townline Elementary, Kentwood

Parent Educator: Sherry Reinbold

EO Provider: Todd Sanders For Information: 616-320-0884 Theme: South Kent Baby Buddies

To Note: Group for babies 14 months or those

not yet walking.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12 | 10-11

Location: Algoma Sports Park, Rockford

Parent Educator: Kelsey West EO Provider: Amy Kurtz For Information: 616-951-3120 Theme: Oodles of Bubbles

To Note: This will be an outdoor playgroup. It

will be cancelled in the event of rain.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12 | 10-11

Location: Hillcroft Park, Godwin Heights
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Bugs, Bees and Butterflies

To Note: This is an outdoor playgroup and will be cancelled in the event of rain.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12 | 10-11

Location: Kent City Park/CB Leaver Park, Kent

City

Parent Educator: Lora Jenema EO Provider: Deanna Cowden For Information: 616-439-1745 Theme: Day at the Park

To Note: This is an outdoor playgroup and will be

cancelled in the event of rain.
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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12 | 10-11

Location: Grand Rapids Township Park,

Grand Rapids

Parent Educator: Sherry Reinbold EO Provider: Rachel Denhof For Information: 616-320-0884 Theme: Bugs, Bees and Butterflies To Note: Please meet us at the pavilion!

THURSDAY, JUNE 13 | 10-11

Location: Veteran's Memorial Park,

Kentwood

Parent Educator: Julie Woody For Information: 447–3201 Theme: Bugs, Bees and Butterflies

To Note: Bring a towel, splash pad is

open!

THURSDAY, JUNE 13 | 10-11
Location: DW Richardson Park, Northview

Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Bugs, Bees and Butterflies
To Note: This is an outdoor playgroup

and will be cancelled in the event of rain.

FRIDAY, JUNE 14 | 10-11

Location: Wedgewood Park, Grandville Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler For Information: 616-528-0866 Theme: Bugs, Bees and Butterflies To Note: This is an outdoor playgroup and will be cancelled in the event of

rain.

FRIDAY, JUNE 14 | 10-11

Location: Godfrey Lee Early Childhood Center, Godfrey Lee and Godwin Heights

Parent Educator: Leslie Delgado For Information: 616- 287-2693 Theme: Our Friend Earth

To Note: Grupo de juego en Español! THE BOOKMOBILE WILL BE THERE!

MONDAY, JUNE 17 | 10-11

Location: Morley Park, Cedar Springs Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler For Information: 616-528-0866 Theme: Bugs, Bees and Butterflies

To Note: This is an outdoor playgroup and will be cancelled in the event of rain.

TUESDAY, JUNE 18 | 10-11

Location: Veterans Memorial Park,

Kelloggsville

Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler For Information: 616-528-0866

Theme: Day at the Park

To Note: This is an outdoor playgroup and will be cancelled in the event of rain.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19 | 10-11

Location: Rogers Park, Sparta
Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler
For Information: 616-528-0866
Theme: Day at the Park

To Note: This is an outdoor playgroup and will be cancelled in the event of

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19 | 2-3

Location: Alger Park, Grand Rapids Parent Educator: Kelly Schaut For Information: 616-259-0973

Theme: Let's Have a Ball

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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.







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THURSDAY, JUNE 20 | 11-12

Location: Friendship Park, Forest Hills Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler For Information: 616-528-0866 Theme: Day at the Park

To Note: This is an outdoor playgroup in the garden space adjacent to the Cascade KDL Library. The upper park area can be accessed by all people, regardless of age or disability.

THURSDAY, JUNE 20 | 2-3

Location: Rogers Park, Sparta Parent Educator: Emily Elliott For Information: 616-425-9819 Theme: Let's Have a Ball

To Note: This is an outdoor playgroup, it will be cancelled in case of rain.

THURSDAY, JUNE 20 | 3-4

Location: Community Green Park, Caledonia

Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler For Information: 616-528-0866

Theme: Day at the Park

To Note: Located in front of the Caledonia
Township Library. Come cool off in the splash
pad! THE BOOKMOBILE WILL BE THERE!

FRIDAY, JUNE 21 | 10-11

Location: Battjes Park, Godfrey Lee Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler For Information: 616-528-0866 Theme: Day at the Park

To Note: This is an outdoor playgroup and will be cancelled in the event of rain.

FRIDAY, JUNE 21 | 10-11

Location: DW Richardson Park, Northview

Parent Educator: Kelsey West EO Provider: Deanna Cowden For Information: 616-951-3120 Theme: Oodles of Bubbles To Note: This will be an outdoor

playgroup. It will be cancelled in the event

of extreme weather.

FRIDAY, JUNE 21 | 10-11

Location: Frog Hollow Park,

Kelloggsville

Parent Educator: Allison Marrero EO Provider: Heather Tamminga For Information: 616-320-2156

Theme: Day at the Park

FRIDAY, JUNE 21 | 10:30-11:30

Location: Spring Park, Caledonia, Thornapple Kellogg

Parent Educator: Kaley Rogers EO Provider: Joyce Irvine For Information: 616-419-8204 Theme: Duck. Duck. Goose

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MONDAY, JUNE 24 | 10-11

Location: Grand River River Front Park,

Lowell

Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler For Information: 616-528-0866 Theme: Day at the Beach

To Note: This is an outdoor playgroup and will be canceled in the event of rain.

MONDAY, JUNE 24 | 10-11

Location: Veterans Memorial Park,

Grand Rapids

Parent Educator: Kelly Schaut EO Provider: Amber Mayfield For Information: 616-259-0973 Theme: Bugs, Bees and Butterflies

TUESDAY, JUNE 25 | 10-11

Location: Wilcox Park, East Grand Rapids Parent Educator: Laura Westdale EO Provider: Sarah Kugler For Information: 616-287-2924 Theme: Diggers and Dump Trucks

To Note: If it rains, play group will be

cancelled.

TUESDAY, JUNE 25 | 10-11

Location: Playground in the Park at John Ball Zoo - Matthew KoepkeNature Play,

Grand Rapids

Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler For Information: 616-528-0866. Theme: Day at the Beach

To Note: This is a universally designed

playground.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26 | 10-11

Location: Kent City Park/CB Leaver Park,

Kent City

Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler For Information: 616-528-0866 Theme: Day at the Beach

To Note: This is an outdoor playgroup and will be cancelled in the event of rain.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 27 | 10-11

Location: Caledonia Lakeside Park, Caledonia,

Thornapple Kellogg

Parent Educator: Kaley Rogers For Information: 616-419-8204 Theme: Duck. Duck. Goose

To Note: This is an outdoor playgroup and will be cancelled in the event of rain.

THURSDAY, JUNE 27 | 10-11

Location: Pinewood Park, Kentwood Parent Educator: Marlene Raffler For Information: 616–528–0866 Theme: Day at the Beach

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LOCATION ADDRESSES



Directions to our playgroups

(Additional information at bbplaygroups.kentisd.org)

Ada Township Park: <u>1116 Buttrick Ave SE, Ada MI 49301</u> Alger Park: <u>921 Alger ST SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49507</u>

Algoma Sports Park: 10531 Algoma Ave NE, Rockford, Mi 49341

Battjes Park: 1655 Blandford SW, Wyoming Mi 49509

Caledonia Lakeside Park: 370 N Lake St. SE Caledonia, Mi 49316

Creekside Park: 1698 Gee Dr, Lowell, MI 49331

Community Green Park: <u>9309 Dobber Wenger, Caledonia, MI 49316</u>

Dwight Lydell Park: <u>4040 Leland Avenue NE, Comstock Park, MI 49321</u>

DW Richardson Park: <u>5255 Grand River Dr. NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49525</u>

Frienship Park: 2870 Jacksmith Ave SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546

Frog Hollow: <u>2050 Metro Court, Wyoming, MI 49519</u> Garfield Park: <u>250 Burton St SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49507</u> Godfrey-Lee ECC: 961 Joosten St. SW, Wyoming, MI 49509

Grand Rapids Township Park: <u>1836 E Beltline Ave NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49525</u> Grand River River Front Park: 12570 Grand River DR SE . Lowell. MI 49331

Hillcroft Park: <u>340 32nd St, Wyoming, MI 49548</u>

Kent City Park/CB Leaver Park: <u>190 E Muskegon St. , Kent City, MI 49330</u> Manhattan Park Pavilion: 430 Manhattan Rd. East Grand Rapids, Mi 49506

Morley Park: <u>60 Cedar Street, Cedar Springs, MI 49319</u>

Nature Play: <u>140 Valley Avenue SW, Grand Rapids, MI 49504</u> Pinewood Park: <u>1999 Wolfboro Drive SE, Kentwood, MI 49508</u>

Premier Park/Meijer Sports Complex: 3300 10 Mile Rd NE , Rockford, MI 49341

Red Hawk Intermediate: 204 E Muskegon ST Cedar Springs, MI 49319

Rogers Park: 152 N. State St, Sparta, Mi 49345

Spring Park: <u>615 Broadway St, Middleville, MI 49333</u> Townline Elementary: <u>100 60th St. Kentwood, Mi 49508</u>

Veteran's Memorial Park: <u>355 48th St. SE, Kentwood, MI 49548</u> Wahlfield Park: <u>6811 Alpine Ave, Comstock Park, MI 49321</u>

Walker Community Park: 700 Cummings Ave, Grand Rapids , MI 49534

Wedgewood Park: <u>3391 Wilson Ave. Grandville, Mi 49418</u>

Wellerwood ECC: <u>800 Wellerwood St NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49505</u> Whistle Stop Park: <u>2120 76th St SW, Byron Center , MI 49315</u> Wilcox Park: <u>100 Youell Ave SE, East Grand Rapids, MI 49506</u>

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