

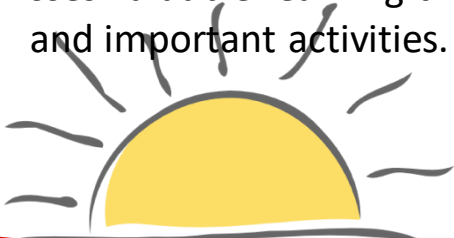
# NEWS YOU CAN USE

Week of  
December 18, 2023

Leonard Head Start  
(616) 735-5319

## Attendance

Not only is it important for your child to attend school, it also is important for them to be on time. When your child is late, the classroom is disrupted, and routines are broken. Your child misses valuable learning time and important activities.



## Calendar of Events

Winter Break  
December 22 – January 7.  
School Resumes January 8  
Enjoy your break!



## Reminders

Tis the season I stay HOME until:

- \*I stay home until my fever is gone for 24 hours with out fever reducing medicine!
- \*I have not had a loose stool in 24 hours!
- \*I have not vomited in the past 24 hours!
- \*My cough, runny nose and congestion is starting to clear up and no medicine for 24 hours!



<https://www.facebook.com/pg/hs4kc/events>  
[www.hs4kc.org](http://www.hs4kc.org)

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Michigan's Nationally Recognized Pre-K Program



# Family Engagement

Did you know that missing just one or two days of preschool or kindergarten every few weeks can make it harder for children to develop reading skills, and to be prepared for kindergarten or first grade?

These tips can help your children look forward to going to school every day.

Ask your child's teacher about health and safety procedures.

Schedule non-Covid-19 medical appointments and extended trips when school is not in session.

Visit Attendance Works [www.attendanceworks.org](http://www.attendanceworks.org) for strategies and resources.

## Car and Truck Safety

- Choose a car seat that is right for your child's age, height and weight.
- Choose a seat that fits in your car or truck and use it all the time.
- Ask your Head Start staff where you can go in your community to learn how to install your child's car seat safely.
- Be sure that children younger than 13 only sit in the back seat.
- Never leave your child in a car without an adult.
- Teach children that vehicles are never safe places to play. Even if the windows are open, young children can become dangerously overheated within the first 10 minutes.

# POSITIVE SOLUTIONS FOR FAMILIES

Monday, December 18, 2023

5:30-7:00pm

Kent ISD Educational Service Center  
2920 Knapp St NE (lot 11)

## Collaborate

Talk with other families of preschool students in Kent County.



## Support

Get resources that are based on research to support your child's emotions at home!



## Learn



Learn about child development and how to support your child where they are!

## Reflect



Think about and share the great things you are doing at home to support your child.

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