



Hinsdale Hot Takes

Date: 11/22/2021 (Take 16)

Principal Message

Good Afternoon Patriot families!

Short, short week this week. This time of year is one that I like to step back and reflect on all the blessings I have and being here serving the students of RC Hinsdale is at the top of my list. I cannot thank everyone enough for all of your support and kindness as we have worked together to create a tremendous first trimester here. The future here looks amazing and I am thankful to work with all of your students each day. Take time to get those extra hugs this week and be thankful for all we have.

Starting today, Monday, November 22nd we will be mask optional here at Hinsdale. All of the necessary information is provided below by our school nurse. PLEASE refer to the information listed below in the section “Notes from the School Nurse” for more details.

Have a great long break and be safe! :)

Mr. Feldmann

4th & 5th Grade KCSD Elementary Basketball League

The KCSD 4th and 5th grade basketball league will be starting in February this year. More information will be sent to families around Winter Break. This league is for any 4th and 5th grade boy or girl in the KCSD.

Transportation Notes

Please continue to stay consistent with afternoon car rider pick-up and/or bus transportation. We will not be able to grant special requests right before the 3:30 PM bell. We are seeing an increase of parents/guardians changing student transportation late in the afternoon. This needs to be addressed early in the morning through communication with the front office and/or homeroom teacher.

Counselor's Corner- It's not easy being GREENE



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Character Trait for November: Respect

The following are some ways we can work together to teach and encourage respect:

1. **Model Respect.** Children often watch their caregivers looking for clues defining the expectations. If they see parents and teachers treating one another with respect, they will do the same.

2. **Discuss Respect.** As children grow, talk about the way we treat others. Focus on the words we use (yes, ma'am; yes, sir; please; and thank you), and the attitudes we portray. Explain the expectation of respect for others demonstrated in both attitude and behavior.
3. **Teach Turn-Taking.** Turn-taking is a skill needed in all aspects of life. Helping children to patiently wait for a turn to speak encourages respectful listening. Encouraging children to wait for their turn in line or their turn for a toy develops an attitude of patience and respect.
4. **Teach Polite Responses.** Infants and young toddlers can begin learning how to use ASL sign language to communicate words like, "please" and "thank you." As children begin vocalizing, adding phrases to their vocabulary like, "excuse me," "no, thank you," and "yes, ma'am/sir" continues to encourage an attitude of respect.
5. **Praise Respectful Behavior:** When children demonstrate good manners and respect to others, give specific praise for the positive choices they are making.

**November is Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Month
for Schools**

 [hunger and homeless flyer.pdf](#)

During the month of November, the Kenton County School District will be hosting a food drive at each school and educational opportunities to recognize and educate students and our community around hunger and homelessness. We are asking students to donate canned food and hygiene items for United Ministries. We will also collect snacks and water for our schools. Hunger and homelessness is an issue students in our community face everyday. The month of November is our opportunity to give back.

*Hinsdale has a **collection bin** in the front lobby for canned food, water, hygiene items, and snack items.

The Giving Tree is in the lobby . The school is collecting specific toys, gift cards, and clothes for families that need some help this holiday season. Please stop by and grab a tag or two. Remember to mark down your name with the tag you chose. All items must be returned by Friday, December 10th. ***Please **DO NOT** wrap any of the gifts and include the tag with the gift!!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Greene

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Happy Monday Hinsdale Patriot Families!!

Monday 11/22/21 Masks Become Optional for Everyone in the Kenton County School District. The recommendation was made to the board for consideration based on the totality of the local data as allowed by recent legislative action. The decision is not based on a dashboard/matrix and will be reviewed if future data indicates a need to make additional recommendations to the board for consideration. Additionally, the Nov. 22 date is established to enable 5-11 year olds to access the vaccine. **(P will follow K with all guidelines).**

Masks are still recommended for everyone; however, this will be a personal decision for families to make.

Whether you decide to allow your child to mask or unmask, it is important to remind your child to:

- Wash their hands for at least 20 seconds frequently, use hand sanitizer if soap is not immediately available.
- Cover their nose and mouth with their elbow for sneezes and coughs.
- Social distance or to be mindful of each other's personal space.

Reminder: Masks are still required on all buses. [Per Center for Disease Control and Prevention and Department of Health and Human Services Order under section 361 and code 42 of federal regulations,](#) and The [Kentucky Department of Education](#) requires that all school districts follow this order.

[COVID Vaccines are now approved for children 5-11 years of age.](#)

- Please remember that if your child is going to be late or leave early for a COVID vaccine it will be handled in the same way as students who leave for other vaccines or well appointments, excused as a Dr. or parent note.
- Please notify the school if your child will be absent due to developing symptoms related to receiving the Covid vaccine. This would be excused with a doctor or parent note.

Don't forget if your child is absent due to illness, they will need a negative COVID test or a physician's note with an alternate diagnosis upon return to school. You may email this to Kathy Decker or I at:

katherine.decker@kenton.kyschools.us

lois.mccubbin@kenton.kyschools.us

Stay healthy and have a great week!!

Nurse Lois

Links:

<https://www.kenton.kyschools.us/Content/covid19>

https://www.cdc.gov/quarantine/pdf/Mask-Order-CDC_GMTF_01-29-21-p.pdf

<https://education.ky.gov/comm/Documents/K-12%20guidance.pdf>

