



March 26, 2021

Kids Connection Sign-Up

Kids Connection is taking reservations, **beginning April 12, 2021**, for Kindergarten through fifth grade students for the 2021-22 school year.

Childcare is offered before school Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. until the start of the school day. After school care begins when the children are dismissed from school and goes through 6 p.m.

Kids Connection staff is also busy getting ready for another exciting, fun-filled summer!

This summer, Kids Connection will be housed at **Haslett Community Education** and will be open daily from 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. for children who have completed Kindergarten through children entering sixth grade. **Registration begins March 29, 2021.**

Kids Connection is fully licensed by the State of Michigan and staffed by educated, caring professionals. All registration materials are available at Haslett Community Education or on the Haslett Public Schools website at: www.haslett.k12.mi.us.

Call Jean Minnema at Haslett Community Education (517) 339-2665 for further details. Come join the fun!

Dates to Remember...

- March/April - Kindergarten Registration
- April 2-9 - Spring Break
- April 12-14 - HS/MS PSAT/SAT (Grades 8-11)
- April 19 - K Round-Up Drive-Thru (5:30-6:30)
- April 22 - Virtual Zoom K Parent Q&A (6:30)
- June 11 - Last Day of School (Partial Day)



Enjoy spring break with your family and friends. Be safe, and Haslett Public Schools will welcome you back on Monday, April 12. The schedule for Haslett High School will be slightly altered the week of April 12. Haslett Middle School and Haslett Elementary Schools will resume the most recent Hybrid Schedule: (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday-asynchronous, Thursday, Friday).

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State of Michigan Assessments Begin After Spring Break

The 2019-2020 school year certainly did not end the way any of us would have expected when Governor Whitmer issued an **Executive Order** and canceled school for the remainder of the school year on March 13, 2020. In a few weeks, it became clear students would not return to school before the end of the 2019-20 school year. ALL required end-of-year state assessments were canceled in the Spring of 2020.

Return to Learn Law

In August 2020, the Return to Learn (RTL) legislations were passed into law. This law, specific to the 2020-21 academic year, required districts to create an Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan that provided the educational goals the district expected to achieve during the year. The plan included an assurance that the district will administer **benchmark assessments** to determine whether ALL students in grades K-8 were making meaningful progress towards mastering the state academic standards in Reading and Math.

These benchmark assessment(s) must be administered within the first nine weeks of school and again before the end of the school year. The law encouraged school districts to administer the same benchmark assessment or assessments that it administered in previous years. Haslett Public Schools chose to administer **NWEA** to students in grades K-9, one of four approved assessment providers by the State of Michigan.

Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress (M-STEP)

In addition to the benchmark assessments, the State of Michigan also requires the administration of annual end-of-year assessments. Due to COVID-19, students in Michigan were not tested with state assessments in the Spring of 2020. The State of Michigan submitted a waiver to the Federal Department of Education for the Spring 2021 end-of-year assessments, and this waiver was denied. The state has reapplied for a Spring 2021 waiver; however, at this time, the waiver has not been approved or denied.

The chart below outlines the State of Michigan Assessment Program which will begin to be administered immediately after Spring Break, the week of April 12. Specific dates and times will be sent out from the offices of our building principals.

Grade	Assessment
K-2	Benchmark Assessment NWEA
3-4	NWEA, M-STEP (ELA, Math)
5	NWEA, M-Step (ELA, Math, Science, Social Studies)
6-7	NWEA, M-Step (ELA, Math)
8	NWEA, PSAT 8/9, M-Step (Science, Social Studies)
9	NWEA (English 9, Algebra I, Geometry) and PSAT 8/9
10	NWEA (English 10, Geometry) PSAT 10
11	MME (SAT with Essay - ELA/Math), ACT WorkKeys, M-Step(Science, Social Studies)

Post Spring Break Rapid COVID-19 Testing

If you plan to travel over Spring Break, you may wish to get a Rapid COVID-19 test prior to returning to school or work. The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) is offering drive-thru testing opportunities in our area on the following days:

April 10 (10 a.m. - 4 p.m.) Lansing Gardner International Academy (333 Dehlia Drive, Lansing)
Click on the link to register: <http://honumg.info/GardnerIA>

April 11 (10 a.m. - 5 p.m.) Ingham Intermediate School District (2630 West Howell Road, Mason)
Click on the link to register: <http://honumg.info/WilsonTalent>

April 13 (12 p.m. - 6 p.m.) Lansing Eastern High School (626 Marshall Street, Lansing)
Click on the link to register: <http://honumg.info/EasternHS>

April 14 (11 a.m. - 6 p.m.) Ingham Intermediate School District (2630 West Howell Road, Mason)
Click on the link to register: <http://honumg.info/ThorburnEC>

Please remember to follow the screening protocols outlined by the district. Students should not go to school if they are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms.