



## Kansas Kindergarten Readiness Snapshot News & Updates Week 2

Hello Niya —

Welcome to the second issue of Kansas Kindergarten Readiness Snapshot News & Updates! This five-part series is your go-to guide for a smooth and successful start to the kindergarten year. Each issue will include trusted tips and resources to support every step of the Ages & Stages Questionnaires® (ASQ®) screening process. Visit [pages.ksde.state.ks.us](https://pages.ksde.state.ks.us) to view the [first issue](#) and the [2025 Kindergarten Readiness Snapshot Fact Sheet](#).

Today we're sharing tips and resources for introducing ASQ-3 and ASQ:SE-2 questionnaires to families, another free classroom activity, guidance for how to set up alerts in Family Access, and more.



Parents and caregivers are more likely to feel comfortable and engaged when they understand the purpose of screening and how it works. These tip sheets—complete with sample scripts—can help you introduce ASQ-3 and ASQ:SE-2 to families and respond to questions with care and clarity. Read on for a sneak peek of what you'll find in the guides:

### 1. Share the purpose of screening with parents.

Parents may worry about completing questionnaires. Some may be new to the idea; others might fear that their child will be labeled. Here are some things you can say:

- "You know your child best, and so you are our best resource to start the school year off successfully."
- "ASQ provides a quick check of your child's development"
- "Our answers will show your child's strengths and whether your child is showing behaviors you'd like to talk about."
- "Your answers will help me get to know your child better and understand how I can support them in the classroom."
- "If you have questions or concerns about any of your child's behaviors that are beyond my knowledge, we'll work together with others at our school who can help."

[DOWNLOAD GUIDES](#)



Curious about the ASQ experience from a caregiver's perspective? This short 8-minute video walks you through what families see when completing their screening through ASQ Online Family Access.

It's a great way to understand how the process works—from entering their child's information to submitting results.

Bonus: Families can complete the screening on any device—phone, tablet, or computer!

[WATCH VIDEO](#)



Accepting completed questionnaires and following up with results in a timely way helps build relationships with families and demonstrates that you value the time they took to complete the questionnaires.

To stay on top of new submissions, be sure to set up **Family Access Alerts** in ASQ Online. You can choose to receive notifications by text or email, either daily or weekly.

Need help getting started? Download the tip sheet for step-by-step instructions.

[GET TIP SHEET](#)



Use the resources in this section to boost family engagement and increase their opportunities to support their child's learning and long-term success.

**Welcome Letter from Dr. Randy Watson**  
Share this letter from Dr. Randy Watson, Kansas Commissioner of Education, to help welcome kindergarten parents and caregivers, and introduce the purpose of ASQ screening.

[ENGLISH LETTER](#)

[SPANISH LETTER](#)

**Materials Needed to Administer ASQ-3**  
Available in English and Spanish, these handy checklists note everything families will need when completing an ASQ-3 screening.

[DOWNLOAD CHECKLISTS](#)



Looking for simple, effective ways to support student development? Each issue includes a free, ready-to-use activity you can try in your classroom or share with families and caregivers to reinforce classroom learning. Every activity is aligned with [Kansas Early Learning Standards](#).



[SEE THE ACTIVITY](#)



The start of the school year brings many opportunities to connect with families and support students. We appreciate educators' important work to lay the foundation for young learners' success this year!

The Kansas Kindergarten Readiness Snapshot is a key opportunity to strengthen relationships and support kindergarten readiness for families, schools, and students. The resources listed above can help educators introduce the ASQ to families in a positive way. This communicates that schools value a family's knowledge regarding their child's strengths, needs, and development.

Remember that all Kansas elementary schools are required to partner with families of incoming kindergarten students to collect kindergarten-entry data using the ASQ-3 and ASQ:SE-2 by no later than Count Day (September 22).

Last week the Kansas State Department of Education hosted meetings to review the [2025 Kindergarten Readiness Snapshot Fact Sheet](#). If you do have any questions or would just appreciate a chance to visit and review your ASQ plan for the year, [Amanda Petersen \(Amanda.Petersen@ksde.gov\)](mailto:Amanda.Petersen@ksde.gov) and Stacy Clarke ([Stacy.Clarke@ksde.gov](mailto:Stacy.Clarke@ksde.gov)) would be more than happy to assist you.

To contact us, or get more information on the Kansas Kindergarten Readiness Snapshot, [click below](#).

[Learn more](#)

Connect with us



[SHARE THE NEWSLETTER](#) | [VISIT THE KANSAS ASQ RESOURCE PAGE](#)

This email was sent to: [niyagray@hydeconnections.com](mailto:niyagray@hydeconnections.com)

This email was sent by: Brookes Publishing Co., P.O. Box 10624 Baltimore, MD 21285-0624 USA

Brookes respects your privacy and will never sell or rent your email address to any outside party. View our [privacy policy](#). To unsubscribe, please click below.

[Manage Subscriptions](#) | [Update Profile](#) | [One-Click Unsubscribe](#)

This email was sent to: [niyagray@hydeconnections.com](mailto:niyagray@hydeconnections.com)

This email was sent by: Brookes Publishing Co., P.O. Box 10624 Baltimore, MD 21285-0624 USA

Brookes respects your privacy and will never sell or rent your email address to any outside party - [view our privacy policy](#). To unsubscribe, please click below.

[Manage Subscriptions](#) | [Update Profile](#) | [One-Click Unsubscribe](#)