



## 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.

Today we're sharing tips and resources for introducing ASQ®-3 and ASQ®:SE-2 questionnaires to families, another free classroom activity, information about the ASQ Calculator, and more.

### A quick reminder:

Kansas educators—it's not too late to register for the upcoming training sessions from KSDE and the Kansas Parent Information Resource Center (KPIRC).

The ASQ Kindergarten Readiness Checklist and Beyond  
Wednesday, Aug. 5 | 3:30 p.m.

Introduction to the ASQ  
Friday, Aug. 7 | 1:00-3:00 p.m.

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## Featured Resource

Family members 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:

[Give parents guidance and make them feel prepared to successfully complete a screening](#)

Completing the ASQ-3 and ASQ:SE-2 questionnaires is simple, but family members doing it for the first time will appreciate these tips. Review the *Important Points to Remember on the questionnaire*.

### For ASQ-3

- “Try each activity with your child before you mark a response.”
- “Make this a game that’s fun for you and your child.”
- “Make sure your child is rested and fed.”

### For ASQ:SE-2

- “Answer questions based on what you know about your child’s behavior.”
- “Answer questions based on your child’s usual behavior, not behavior when your child is sick, very tired, or hungry.”

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## Reminder Roundup

Using paper questionnaires with some families? Need help choosing the right ASQ interval? Skip the guesswork by using our free, online calculator, designed to simplify the process and ensure accuracy every time. The [ASQ Age Calculator](#) will automatically identify the correct questionnaire in seconds based on a child’s birthdate.

Just for Kansas users: You have access to the 72-month ASQ-3 questionnaire, which can be used with children up to 77 months, 30 days. You'll use the 60-month ASQ:SE-2 questionnaire for children up to this age, too.

[USE CALCULATOR](#)



## ASQ Online Quick Tip

Engaging families starts with the right resources. Within ASQ Online, there are a variety of built-in resources to help you introduce ASQ-3 and ASQ:SE-2 questionnaires to families. Download the tip sheet to explore resources that are just a few clicks away.

[GET TIP SHEET](#)



## Additional ASQ Resources and Support

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

### Welcome Letter from KSDE

Share this letter to help welcome kindergarten parents and caregivers, and introduce the purpose of ASQ screening.

[ENGLISH LETTER](#)

[SPANISH LETTER](#)

### Materials Needed to Administer ASQ-3

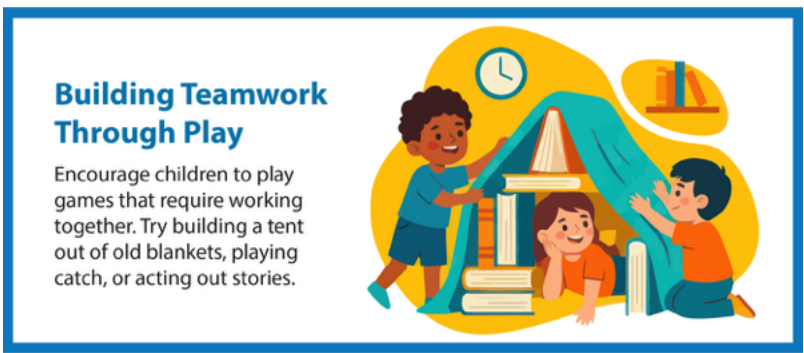
Available in English and Spanish, these handy checklists note everything families will need when completing an ASQ-3 screening.

[DOWNLOAD CHECKLISTS](#)



## ASQ Activity Corner

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](#).



### Building Teamwork Through Play

Encourage children to play games that require working together. Try building a tent out of old blankets, playing catch, or acting out stories.

[SEE THE ACTIVITY](#)



## A Message From KSDE

The start of the kindergarten year is an important opportunity to build strong relationships with families. When educators take the time to learn about each child’s strengths and needs, they lay the foundation for partnership that supports learning throughout the year.

As you reflect on your plans for welcoming families to kindergarten, consider the experience from a new parent’s perspective. How can you communicate that you are ready to partner with families to support their child’s learning both at school and at home?

One of the best ways to demonstrate that you value family input is to promptly follow up after families complete the ASQ questionnaires. Be sure to have a plan to regularly review ASQ results and follow up with families once questionnaires are submitted.

If you'd like support in developing your follow-up process or have any other ASQ questions, don't hesitate to reach out to our KSDE team. Click here to send an email to [Natalie McClane](#), [Stacy Clarke](#), [Trevor Huffman](#) and [Amanda Petersen](#). We're glad to work together with you on this.

Looking for more support? Read [previous newsletter issues](#), and visit [agesandstages.com/ks](#) to access Kindergarten Readiness Snapshot resources and stay informed throughout the screening season.

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