

2024-25



Kindergarten Roundup



Hesston Elementary School
Mrs. Alisa Krehbiel, Principal

**Meet
Mrs. Alisa Krehbiel,
Principal**



- Welcome to Hesston Elementary!
- As the principal, I am so excited to have your family join us as we educate your child.
- I graduated from Bethel College with a degree in Elementary Education and Special Education. I completed my masters in School Leadership from Baker University.
- My husband Ted and I have two adult children who graduated from USD 460.
- I love to travel, garden, shop for vintage items, and spend time with family.

Welcome to the
School Counselor's Corner



Mrs. Dawn Lafferty



[My Counselor Website](#)

- This year is my 7th year as counselor here at HES. Prior to being a counselor, I taught Kindergarten, 1st and 3rd grades.
- I love being able to help all students with their social emotional needs. Relationships are a big part of what we do here at HES. My goal is to support all students so they can have a positive school experience.
- I teach character education lessons in the wheel each week that focus on our character word of the month. I also lead small groups that support students with anxiety, family changes, friendship and many other things! I meet with individual students as needed.
- My family includes my husband Todd and our two boys, Cooper and Miles.

Mrs. Bauerle



Mrs. Flaming

Meet our

Kindergarten

Teachers

Mrs. Kaufman



Mrs. Soeken



Mrs. Wild

Meet our

Kindergarten

Instructional Aides



Mrs. Peachy-Stoner

MEET the TEACHER

Mrs. Melissa Bauerle



- This is my 7th year teaching kindergarten. Before kindergarten, I taught preschool and served as children's director at my church. I also taught middle school art for one year at HMS.
- I graduated from WSU with a degree in Elementary Education and Early Childhood Special Education. I also received my Reading Specialist Master's degree from FHSU.
- I am married to Tyson with two kids - Maya (14) and Maddux (12).
- I love to be outside, do crafts, and play games with my family.
- I look forward to next year!

MEET the TEACHER

Mrs. Danielle Flaming



- This will be my 21st year of teaching. I have taught 1 year in preschool, 13 years in first grade, and this will be my 7th year in Kindergarten.
- I graduated from Bethel College and later received my Masters in Teaching degree from Friends University.
- I am married to Matt with two kids - Britton (14) and Cole (12).
- I am a homebody and enjoy spending time with my family and friends.
- I'm looking forward to learning and growing together this year!

MEET the TEACHER

Mrs. Danae Kaufman



- This will be my 15th year of teaching. This is my 6th year teaching Kindergarten. I've also taught 1st grade (7 years) & 3rd grade (2 years).
- I graduated from Kansas State University with my Bachelors and Emporia State with a Masters.
- I'm a Swather! I went to USD 460 K-12.
- I am married to James with three kids - Sadie (12), Eli (10), & Jack (7).
- I love to be outside, read, craft, & play with my kids.
- I'm excited for another great year!

MEET the TEACHER

Mrs. Kyle Soeken



- This will be my fifth year teaching Kindergarten. Previously I have taught fifth grade (1 year) and preschool (3 years).
- I graduated from Kansas State University with an Elementary Education degree and an endorsement in Mathematics.
- I am married to Adam with two kids – Allie (16) and Elynn (10).
- I love to travel with my family, and am constantly singing and dancing.
- I am thrilled for the new year, and will have a blast teaching your kiddo.

Kindergarten Round Up Procedures

Mrs. Krehbiel, Principal

When Is Kindergarten Round Up? April 15, 1:30 - 2:45 pm

What Should I Bring?

Bring your child's state issued birth certificate, immunization records, and social security card.

Ink pen, if you prefer to use your own.

Your **ready-to-be kindergartener** to meet the teachers.

So, What's First?

Be sure to read each section of this presentation. Important information is included.

The **Kindergarten Screening** page provides more details about the actual screening on **May 21 & 22**.

You will need to sign up for your child's screening date and time in advance. Use the [Sign-Up Genius](#) link provided.

Important Kindergarten Information

Mrs. Krehbiel, Principal

Records for All Students

State law requires copies of your child's **state issued birth certificate**, **immunization records**, and **social security card** on file in the office. If you do not have a [birth certificate](#) or [SSC](#), please order one as soon as possible so it arrives before enrollment.

Half-Day Schedule for Kindergarten

Following your child's screening, you will receive a letter indicating morning or afternoon session. We do not take requests for AM or PM, but if you have specific concerns please share with Mrs. Krehbiel by June 1. You can email alisa.krehbiel@usd460.org or call the office at 620-327-7102.

August 21 is the first day of kindergarten. Please note this is a **day later** than other grades. Kindergarten half-day schedule runs from August 21 – Sept 4. Full day begins Thursday, September 5.

This half day schedule allows your child time to adjust to school gradually, and learn new routines and procedures with a small group of children. Teachers can learn about your child's learning style, specific strengths and needs, and help determine if class groupings are appropriate.

Important Information (continued)

Mrs. Krehbiel, Principal

Preliminary Class Rosters

These will be posted **Friday, August 15** on the front doors. **Please note kindergarten class lists are subject to change.** Kindergarten teachers and I revisit lists after the first two weeks of school to ensure balance in both academics and behaviors. **So, be aware class lists may be adjusted at this point. Our goal is to create the best environment for ALL students. We ask that you be open and supportive to creating this balance.**

Teacher Requests

Hesston Elementary employs highly qualified staff who work diligently to meet the learning needs of each child. We do **not** honor requests for specific teachers. If you have concerns related to your child's specific learning needs, feel free to email Mrs. Krehbiel or call the office by June 1.

Important Information (continued)

Mrs. Krehbiel, Principal

Out of District Students

We are navigating a new state law requiring us to do our Out of District application and selection process differently. Our district can only accept out of district applications between the dates of June 1-June 30. **For those of you who have already filled out and turned in an application, you will have to reapply between June 1 and June 30, 2024 to be considered for the 2024-25 school year.** Please check the Hesston District Website closer to time to see the new application and further details. We apologize for the inconvenience and thank you for your patience as we put this new state regulation into place.

www.hesstonschools.org

Childcare

Childcare is available during half-days. You will need to contact Hesston Childcare Center at 620-327-3775 for information on cost and services provided at the Hesston Elementary location. Daycare children in this location eat lunch at school. You will need to put money in a school lunch account during enrollment to cover lunch expenses.



Mrs. Diana Regier
Secretary



Mrs. Sara McAllister
Secretary

Front Office Staff

Mrs. Tammi Krehbiel
School Nurse



Mrs. Dawn Lafferty
Counselor



Kindergarten Registration Packets

School Secretaries

Mrs. Diana Regier and Mrs. Sara McAllister

Kindergarten Information Sheet

Please fill out the [Pre-Enrollment Form](#) as completely as possible and email to diana.regier@usd460.org or bring to the HES Office. USD 460 enrollment packets will be mailed in July.

Custodial vs. Non-Custodial Explanation

If your child lives with both biological parents, include both parents under the Primary Household.

If separated/divorced, place the biological parent in Primary Household to contact first, 51% (or more) of the time, with step parent (if applicable). Then Secondary Household should include the other biological parent and step parent (if applicable). Please check “joint custody” or “other custody arrangement” and be sure to let the school office and classroom teacher know of special arrangements in August.

Be sure to note any medical or special needs at the bottom of the form and sign.

diana.regier@usd460.org

Kindergarten Registration Packets (continued)

School Secretaries

Mrs. Diana Regier and Mrs. Sara McAllister

Birth Certificate & Social Security Card Ordering Information

We are required by KDHE to have a copy of each child's state issued birth certificate and Social Security card on file. If you do not have access to your child's birth certificate, one can be ordered (if born in Kansas) by visiting the [KDHE website](#). If you don't have a social security card for your child, visit the Social Security site here [Social Security](#).

Questions?

Contact Diana Regier, Secretary at diana.regier@usd460.org.

Health and Immunization Records

Tammi Krehbiel, R.N., School Nurse

Your Health Registration Packet includes 3 items:

- 1) A yellow tri-fold describing immunizations needed to start kindergarten in the fall. It includes a brief description of when to keep your child home, our school policy regarding illness, and a little about what happens in the health room.
- 2) A [physical form](#) completed by your doctor. (If your dr. uses another form, that is acceptable too.)
- 3) A handout on [when to keep your child home](#) from school, should you wonder whether or not your child is too ill to come to school.

The State of Kansas requires a recent physical and up to date immunizations for enrollment in Kansas public schools. You may turn these documents in any time prior to and on enrollment day. It is also very important to have several working phone numbers so that if your child gets ill at school, we can reach you or someone you trust to come get your child.

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Health and Immunization Records (continued)

Tammi Krehbiel, R.N., School Nurse

Please Note Special Plans Requiring a Doctor's Signature:

If your child has asthma and needs an inhaler or breathing treatment at school, an [Asthma Health Management Plan](#) is required with a doctor's signature.

If your child has food allergies, a [Food Allergy Action Plan](#) is required with a doctor's signature. If modified meals are required, your doctor needs to complete the [Meal Modification Form](#).

If your child has diabetes, a [Diabetic Action Plan](#) is required with a doctor's signature.

If your child has a seizure disorder, a [Seizure Action Plan](#) is required with a doctor's signature.

If your child requires daily medication at school, a [permission for medication](#) form needs to be completed by your doctor stating the name of the medication, the dose, and the time it should be given.

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**Meet
Mrs. Rozalynn Frey,
Literacy Specialist**



- This is my third year at Hesston Elementary School. We moved from Garden City, Kansas in June 2021. I'm wrapping up my 24th year as an educator.
- I graduated from McPherson College with a degree in Elementary Education. I completed my masters in Curriculum and Instruction, with an English as a Second Language Endorsement from Newman University.
- My husband Ken and I have four children who range in age from 13-19 years old.

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Two Kindergarten Screeners

DIAL- 4 - administered by kindergarten teachers with your child.

ASQ - completed online by parents after August enrollment.

Why two screeners? How is the information used?

DIAL-4 - Developmental Indicators for the Assessment of Learning, 4th ed.

Staff want to meet your child in person, gather information to help sort and balance classes, and identify developmental strengths and skills that may need support early in the school year.

ASQ - Ages & Stages Questionnaires **More information coming at August enrollment.**

Kansas State Department of Education seeks parental input about your child's abilities, like a well-check visit at the doctor, and uses that information to help determine needs in Kansas.

What happens if we are unable to attend screening on the scheduled date?

An alternate date is scheduled just before school begins in the Fall.

DIAL - 4 Kindergarten Screening

Click [Sign-Up Genius](#) to schedule your child's screening.

What is DIAL-4?

Developmental Indicators for the Assessment of Learning, 4th edition is a normed instrument used to screen three areas: Motor, Concepts, & Language.

DIAL-4 compares your child's development in these three areas to same-age peers. If your child is 5 years, 2 months at the time of screening, your child's skill development is compared to others who are only 5 years, 2 months.

DIAL-4 is not a readiness test for kindergarten. It does not compare your child's skills to kindergarten curricular standards.

What happens at screening?

Please allow one hour from start to finish.

Upon arrival, your child's photo is taken. Each child spends approximately 10 minutes with a teacher at each of the three stations, Motor (pre-writing), Concepts (pre-math), and Language (pre-reading). The screening is relaxed and game-like.

Parents observe from a distance while completing a Parent Questionnaire about your child's self-help skills and social development.

Will I receive feedback ?

Yes.

After screening, it takes a few minutes for results to be tabulated.

Feedback is provided by school personnel in person.

Feel free to ask questions at that time. You will receive a written report documenting your child's results and other important information for kindergarten.

Important Dates for the 2024-25 School Year

April 15	Kindergarten Round Up @ HES, 1:30-2:45 pm
May 21 & 22	DIAL-4 Screening with kindergarten teachers Please click Sign-Up Genius now and schedule your child's screening.
Aug 1	Enrollment for all students 11:00 AM -6:00 PM
August 15	Preliminary kindergarten class rosters posted on the front doors of the school
April 15-May 31	Kindergarten parents complete ASQ Survey online
August 20	First day for 1st-4th graders, no kindergarten
August 21	First day for kindergarteners - half-day schedule
August 21 – Sept 4	Note times for AM/PM kindergarten AM Sessions - 8:00-11:00 PM Sessions - 12:15-3:10
August 30	Kindergarten class rosters finalized
September 5	Kindergarteners begin full day schedule