



# Head Start Program

Mason County  
Family Transition  
Handbook  
2019-2020

Gateway Head Start would like to thank you for participating in the Head Start program. We hope that your child leaves our program with the school readiness skills that he/she will need to help them to become a successful adult.

**Mason County Head Start Center 800-927-1833**

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**Head Start Staff**

**Teachers**

Angela Flannery  
Lauren Fritz  
Dawnya Highfield  
Megan Maddox  
Virgie Miller

**Floaters**

Michalle Liess  
Chelcee Slone  
Bambi Winkle

**Assistant Teachers**

Haley Ashcraft  
Wanda Gilkerson  
Tammy Kennedy  
Makayla Bentley  
Michelle Day

**Family Service Advocates**

Samantha Brown  
Stephanie Hartley

**Early Head Start Staff**

**Teachers**

Jayne Elliott  
Lacee Mains  
Elaine Roark  
Tosha Roe

**Floaters**

Carrie Staggs

The purpose of this packet is to provide families that are moving from our Head Start program to Kindergarten with valuable information. We work in collaboration with the school district to promote a smooth and seamless transition. A clear understanding of policies and expectations of the district will avoid anxieties that often accompany change. We encourage you to carefully review the packet in order to be well informed as your child moves to the next phase of their education.

Thank you for being a part of the Head Start program and we wish you and your family success in all your future endeavors.

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Renee Farris

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Michelle Buerkley

Tammy Gallenstein

Brandis Cox

Amy Conley

Sherry Christiansen

**Kindergarten Teacher Assistants**

Jenna Wallingford

Cassandra McCann

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Mary Turner

Brandi Dudley

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**Family Resource Center**

Mary Robinson Griffey



GRADING PERIODS

MASON COUNTY SCHOOLS  
CALENDAR 2020-2021

GRADING PERIODS

1st Oct 9th 2nd Dec 18th

3rd Mar 5th 4th last day

2020 JULY						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

This is a Flexible Professional Development School Calendar  
**Approved 1/13/2020**

2021 JANUARY						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
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10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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2020 AUGUST						
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23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

Aug 11 - Opening Day  
Aug 12 - 1st day for students  
Sept 7 - Labor Day (Holiday #1)  
Oct 12 - No School - PLC #1  
Oct 13 - No School - PD #1  
Oct 14 - 16 - No School, Fall Break

2021 FEBRUARY						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28						

2020 SEPTEMBER						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

Nov 2 - No School, PLC #2  
Nov 3 - No School, Election Day  
Nov 25 - No School, PD #2  
Nov 26 - No School Thanksgiving (Holiday #2)  
Nov 27 - No School

2021 MARCH						
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2020 OCTOBER						
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Dec 18 - 1 p.m. dismissal  
Dec 21 - Jan 1 - No School, Winter Break  
Dec 25 - Christmas Day (Holiday #3)  
Jan 4 - Students return from Winter Break  
Jan 18 - No School, MLK Day (Holiday #4)  
Feb 15 - No School, PLC #3  
March 4 - No School, PLC #4  
March 5 - No School, PD #3

2021 APRIL						
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2020 NOVEMBER						
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

April 2 - No School, PD #4  
April 5 - 9, No School, Spring Break  
May 20 - Last Day for Students, 1 p.m. dismissal  
May 21 - Closing Day

2021 MAY						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

2020 DECEMBER						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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**Weather Related Closings**  
Opening & Closing for teachers  
Days of school  
PD for teachers  
Holidays  
Non-school days  
Last day for students, 1:00 Dismissal  
Teacher PLC

2021 JUNE						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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Green PD days are flexible days  
Blue PLC days are non flexible days

## **Straub Elementary Daily Schedule**

<b>7:20-7:55</b>	Parent Drop Off
<b>7:35-8:20</b>	Breakfast
<b>8:00</b>	Instructional day begins
<b>11:45-12:10</b>	Lunch
<b>3:00</b>	Instructional Day ends
<b>2:50</b>	Pick up begins

### **Food Services**

Prices at all schools

Students Breakfast and Lunch FREE

Adult Breakfast \$2.25

Adult Lunch \$3.50

If your child has a food allergy a doctor's excuse is required in order to make necessary accommodations.

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## **Family Resource Center**

### ***Mary Robinson-Griffey***

The goal of the Mason County Family Resource and Youth Service Centers is to serve as the “hands and heart” of the community by reaching out to students and their families and providing resources and linkage to the appropriate agencies for assistance with their needs. The major emphasis of the Centers is to enhance and promote the growth and development of families in order to ensure that all students can succeed in school. For more information, or assistance:

Straub Family Resource Center - serving Straub Elementary  
Mary Robinson-Griffey, FRC Coordinator - 606/564-5683 / Fax: 564-5320  
387 Chenault Drive, Maysville, KY 41056  
Hours of Operation: 8 AM to 4 PM - with additional hours as needed.

### **PROGRAMS / SERVICES OFFERED**

Back-to-School Fair (FRC & YSC)

All Pro Dad & iMOM Programs at MCIS (FRC)

Parent Workshops @ Straub (FRC)

Grandparent Support Group Meetings (FRC & YSC)

Healthy Snack Weekend Backpack Program (FRC & YSC)

Big Smiles In-School Dental Program (FRC & YSC)

Blue Ribbon Kids Fest - Reading Literacy Festival (Mason County Early Childhood Council / FRC)

Bulding Blocks: A Baby & Child Gala (Regional Prevention Center / FRYSC)

Red Ribbon Week (FRC & YSC)

Truth or Consequences (Mason County Extension Office / YSC)

Operation Preparation (YSC)

College Fair / College Application Week (YSC)



Health Fair (YSC)

STOP - Drug & Alcohol Prevention Program (FRC & YSC)

TATU - Teens Again Tobacco Use (YSC)

Drug House Odyssey - Drug & Alcohol Prevention Program (YSC)

Summer Enrichment Camps (FRC & YSC)

Career Week @ Straub Elementary (FRC)

Community Christmas / Christmas with Cops (FRC & YSC)

Plant the Dream (YSC)

Character Education Activities / Programming (FRC & YSC)

Early Childhood Education / Birth Packets (FRC)

Volunteer Program (FRYSC in collaboration with Mason County Community Education)

Barker's Bus Bucks - Bus Behavior Program @ Straub (FRC)

# 25 Things

Your child needs to know before entering kindergarten

- Say his/her name
- Identify specific body parts (wrist, heel, chest)
- Stand on one foot
- Walks backwards heel to toe
- Identify primary and secondary colors
- Draws shapes
- Draw detailed person
- Print name (first and last)
- Count in order to 30
- Count objects
- Identify uppercase letters
- Identify lowercase letters
- Write uppercase letters
- Write lowercase letters
- Puts things away after use
- Open doors
- Stay on task for at least 20 minutes
- Feed himself/herself with utensils
- Dress himself/herself without assistance
- Play well with others
- Understand that books are read left to right
- Read words
- Distinguish fact from fiction
- Retell stories

All children who are 5 years of age on or before August 1<sup>st</sup> are eligible for kindergarten.