

# KENT COUNTY FOC NEWSLETTER

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## HOW TO CONTACT FRIEND OF THE COURT

- Our lobby is **OPEN**  
Monday—Friday  
8:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m.
- **Call 616-632-6888**  
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8:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m.
- Email [FOC.Mail@kentcountymi.gov](mailto:FOC.Mail@kentcountymi.gov)
- 2-way communication  
[www.michigan.gov/michildsupport](http://www.michigan.gov/michildsupport)
- Schedule an appointment  
<https://kentcountyfoc.setmore.com/>
- 24/7 Case Access  
[www.michigan.gov/michildsupport](http://www.michigan.gov/michildsupport)
- Visit the website [Friend of the Court - Kent County, Michigan \(accesskent.com\)](http://FriendoftheCourt-KentCountyMichigan.accesskent.com)
- Mail: 82 Ionia NW, Suite 200, Grand Rapids MI 49503.
- Drop box and payment box on 1<sup>st</sup> floor at 82 Ionia NW, Grand Rapids 49503.



## PARENTS DISAGREE ABOUT COVID VACCINE?

Now that the COVID vaccine is available for 5- to 11-year-olds, parents have reached out to the FOC with questions. Please know the FOC will direct you to read your court order and cannot give you legal advice. If parents do not agree about whether a child should be vaccinated, they may have to file a motion with the Circuit Court.



**How can FOC help?** If parents would like to discuss the issue of vaccinations and attempt to reach an agreement, they may sign up for FOC Mediation [here](#). FOC Mediation is a **voluntary** and **free** service. If parents reach an agreement, FOC will put the agreement into a court order and enter it with the Court.

## HOLIDAY PARENTING TIME

The holidays are right around the corner and many parenting time orders include **holiday parenting time**. Now is the time to check your order. The FOC enforces orders as they are written, and orders need to be specific to be enforced by the FOC. If you have questions, call us at 616-632-6888 or [schedule a Custody and Parenting Time Questions phone meeting](#). If you and the other parent want to discuss and possibly change your parenting time order, you can sign up for FOC Mediation here: [Kent County FOC: FOC Mediation \(signupgenius.com\)](#) .



## FOC INFORMATION ONLINE

[FOC website](#) provides information, updates, and fillable forms, as well as an option to upload completed forms and submit them electronically. FOC also includes updates and information on the [FOC Facebook page](#).

Also, you can make an appointment to talk to a child support case manager [here](#).

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*FOC Mission: “To serve the Court and the families of Kent County to ensure children are supported, both financially and emotionally.”*

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