

Community Support

Ideas for Re-entry

We believe that our Caring for Kids community partners have a tremendous opportunity to lean in and support schools, kids, and families in the fall re-entry plans. The schools and partners of Kansas City have risen to the challenge over the months of quarantine and we are confident that the caring community of Kansas City will continue to bring great support as students re-enter a new normal.

Below are ideas for potential partner support during the initial re-entry when volunteers will likely serve remotely. CFK will provide information on their website regarding the district needs.

**Citywide Resource Drive for Supplies:**

* Masks
* Hand sanitizer
* Food for students and families
* School supplies for classroom and home
* Clothing support
* Incentives for teachers, counselors

**Promote Opportunities to Meet Needs through Donations to District Foundation:**

* Hot spot funding
* Technology assistance
* Other

**Volunteers:**

* Online mentoring/tutoring using district curriculum and/or classroom pen pals
* Social and emotional support
* Morning greeters to direct students
* Food distribution for lunch or breakfasts being sent home with students
* Ongoing teacher and staff appreciation and support
	+ Food, gift cards
	+ Box lunch delivery
	+ First Day Baskets with sanitation supplies, masks etc.
	+ Notes of encouragement
* Parent support and encouragement
* At home preparation of materials for teaching to be dropped off at the school

**Ongoing Caring for Kids Team Support:**

* Facilitate Partnership Kickoff Celebration
* School partnership meetings
* Back-to School support
* Virtual Meet and Greets for new partners
* Virtual meetings to envision faith partners and business partners to learn how they can support in their unique niche. (Ex. – virtual career days, work-based learning opportunities)

**Options for Safe Spaces**

* Help to identify and create safe spaces with district support and guidelines for after-school learning and activities to support parents. Churches and nonprofits may be able to provide another layer of support.