

Kronos Approver Guide

CITY SCHOOLS Kronos Approver Guide

This guide will show you how to perform your Kronos functions. First, note the Kronos tasks completed by timekeepers.

Timekeepers:

- Regularly review employee timesheets for exceptions and take follow-up steps
- Directly edit timesheets to correct mistaken punch interpretations or double-punches
- Correct or enter any time off entries which came over into Kronos incorrectly from Red Rover (for schools)
- Enter "Excused Paid" for district early closure days for staff working such days who are excused from working the last hour or ½ hour of their regular schedules
- Enter a school Calamity Day (for schools). (District-wide Calamity Day entries are added by the Kronos staff.)
- Review employee timesheets at the end of the pay period. Account for employees' scheduled hours per week
- Add or adjust an employee's schedule and/or lunch length

Generally, timekeepers cannot approve time off and timesheet change requests. However, classified supervisors who are timekeepers and who supervise employees may approve time off and timesheet change requests.

As a Kronos approver, you:

- Approve or reject Kronos timesheet change requests (pages 4 7)
- Approve Kronos time off requests (pages 8 11)
- Approve timesheets (pages 12 18)

This document also shows you how to:

- Log into Kronos (page 3)
- Download the UKG Ready (Kronos) app (page 3)
- Correct previously approved timesheets (pages 19 20)
- Designate a backup approver (pages 21 23)
- Run Kronos reports (pages 24 25)

Highlights of changes from previous approval instructions and some points of emphasis are listed on page 2.

Sometimes a Kronos approver (referred to simply as an approver throughout the remainder of this document) may need to perform timekeeping duties because their timekeeper is absent or because they don't have a timekeeper. For timekeeping directions, see the *Kronos Timekeeper Guide*.



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Below are highlights of some of the changes from previous approval instructions and some points of emphasis:

- Approvers must complete timesheet approvals using the 5-step **Approval Checklist** (<u>pages 12-18</u>). This process includes approving or rejecting all timesheet change requests and time off requests for a pay period before approving the timesheets for that pay period.
- Don't change an employee's Kronos clock punches, except to correct clear and obvious errors (see pages 8 9 of the *Kronos Timekeeper Guide*.) For example, don't change an employee's Kronos clock punches to prevent them from accruing overtime.
 - **Question:** If an employee is working more than their scheduled hours and accruing extra service or overtime, can I change their punches in Kronos so they don't accrue extra service or overtime?
 - Answer: You cannot adjust an employee's punches in Kronos for that reason. However, you can direct an employee to begin and end their workday according to their schedule and to clock in/out accordingly. If an employee fails to adhere to your direction on that matter, then you may wish to consult Employee Relations.
- You'll sometimes need to reject timesheet change requests. Some reasons are listed on page 5.
- Employees who use Kronos, and who do not use Red Rover to report absences, must use Kronos self-service to report their absences.
 - If an hourly employee who normally uses Red Rover to report their absences fails to report an absence using Red Rover, they must use Kronos self-service to report their absence. Don't require employees to turn in paper absence forms for the purpose of timekeepers or others entering those absences into Kronos.
 - The exception to this guideline is restricted time off codes which are not available for employees to select using Kronos self-service (see page 7 of the *Kronos Timekeeper Guide*).
- If a timekeeper or approver enters a missed punch on an employee's behalf, they must upload to Kronos the approver's written or email approval of the missed punch (pages 4 6 of the *Kronos Timekeeper Guide*).
- Timekeepers are to account for employees' scheduled hours per week and take steps to address any shortfalls. With your written or email approval, the timekeeper enters any shortfall amount for each week as AWOL (page 16 of the *Kronos Timekeeper Guide*).
- Directions for running commonly requested Kronos reports (pages 24 25).
- Email <u>kronos@columbus.k12.oh.us</u> to request the addition or removal of a timekeeper for your area.
- The Kronos area of the Treasurer's Office can't approve your employees' timesheets. We can aid you in approving your employees' timesheets, but we can't approve timesheets on your behalf.
- Kronos clock not working? Email <u>kronos@columbus.k12.oh.us</u>.



Logging into Kronos

You can login to Kronos from a computer, laptop, tablet or smartphone as long as you have access to the internet. You do not have to be on the district's network to login. You can access Kronos by going to <u>https://www.ccsoh.us</u> > Menu > Staff > Staff Quick Links. In the Quick Links area, click KRONOS.

When you click KRONOS, you'll be redirected to a login screen. To login, enter your full CCS email username (including the "@columbus.k12.oh.us") and your CCS email password. (If you have logged onto a computer or laptop at a district site by entering your username and password, when you click KRONOS, the KRONOS screen may open without you needing to re-enter your username and password.) Please note: The system may require an extra step to verify that you are who you say you are. This step may involve sending a code to your cell phone or email, and asking you to type in the code to login to Kronos.



VIDEO: How to login to Kronos and download the app

The district's KRONOS web address, which comes up when you click the "KRONOS" link in the Staff Quick Links area, is <u>https://secure4.entertimeonline.com/ta/6079644.login</u> You may wish to bookmark this address on your smartphone or tablet. If you have trouble logging in, contact the CCS helpdesk at 614-365-8425.

Downloading the UKG Ready (Kronos) app

Download the Mobile Application

The Mobile Application allows users to access the application with a mobile device such as a mobile phone or tablet. This job aid shows how to access and log into the mobile application.

Access the application

- 1. On your mobile device, open Google Play or the Apple App Store.
- 2. Search for UKG Ready Mobile.
- 3. Install the application.

Application setup

- 4. Open the application on your device.
- 5. Select North America from the list.
- 6. Type the following as the district's Shortname: 6079644
- 7. Select Continue
- 8. Enter your full CCS email username (including the "@columbus.k12.oh.us") and your CCS email password.
- 9. Select Login.

UKG Ready Mobile for iPhone





UKG Ready Mobile for Android





The link in the email won't take you to the specific request, but rather to your Kronos "My To Do Items," which will display all of your employees' unapproved requests as well as any unapproved timesheets.

There may be more than one page of notifications. If so, click the right-facing arrow below "My To Do Items" to scroll through the pages until you locate the request from the email. Find the Timesheet Change Request you wish to approve/reject; then select it by checking the box next to the request and then clicking Approve or Reject.

• Important: Don't inadvertently select "Approve/Reject Timesheet"!

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After you click Approve a box will pop up asking if you're sure you want to approve this request. If no errors or warnings are listed, then click Approve. The employee's timesheet will populate with the request change.

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Rejecting timesheet change requests

You'll sometimes need to reject timesheet change requests (rejection comments are required). Reasons may include:

Duplicate Add Punch or Add Time Entry request. Note 'duplicate request' in the rejection comment field

Examples of error messages you may receive if you try to approve a duplicate Add Punch In or Add Punch Out request

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• Employee is trying to request time off by submitting an Add Punch or Add Time Entry request; note 'submit a time off request' in the rejection comment field.

Example of a test employee trying to report time off using an Add Time Entry request

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• Employee didn't enter a valid reason in the comment field for their request for a missed punch, add time entry, or lunch cancellation request. An employee is supposed to enter the reason for such requests in the comment field. Note 'submit a reason for the request' in the rejection comment field.

Examples of invalid request reasons listed in the "Request Comment" field of Add Punch requests

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- AM / PM are noted incorrectly. For example, an employee submits a missed punch for 3am instead of 3pm. Note 're-submit using' in the rejection comment field, and note whether they need to use am or pm.
- You have good reason to conclude the request is not accurate. For example, the employee reports a missed punch out at 4pm, but you saw them leave for the day at 3pm.



Another way to approve or reject timesheet change requests. Rather than clicking the links in each of these emails, you can approve and/or reject all unapproved requests by going to your Manager Self Service tab:

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Scroll down the page to Pending Timesheet Change Requests. Click the words "Pending Timesheet Change Requests"

• Important: You must <u>click the words</u> "Pending Timesheet Change Requests" to open the report! If you don't, you won't have access to the Approve or Reject buttons.



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Add Punch In

You can check multiple boxes to Approve or Reject multiple timesheet change requests at the same time. Or you can click the check box under "Page" to select all requests to Approve or Reject. If you select multiple time off requests, you can only take one action for the selections, Approve or Reject.

Add Punch

Forgot Badge

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You can't approve a timesheet change request once a pay period has been locked for editing or approving. Pay periods are locked for editing or approving on the Wednesday after the end of a pay period unless noted otherwise by the Kronos area.



Question: Is it ever acceptable for a timekeeper or approver to enter a missed punch directly in an employee's timesheet?

Answer: Kronos self-service should be used whenever possible. A timekeeper should never enter a missed punch for their own timesheet. If an employee has already submitted a timesheet change request for the missed punch, the timekeeper or approver must not enter the missed punch in Kronos. In such a case you simply need to approve the request.

However, except for what's noted above, there may be times when a timekeeper or approver decide they need to enter a missed punch on an employee's behalf. If they choose to enter a missed punch directly in an employee's timesheet they must adhere to the following guidance:

- The employee must note in writing, by email or on paper, the date and time of the missed punch. If on paper, the employee must sign the note.
- The approver must approve the missed punch by email or by signing the employee's missed punch note.
- The timekeeper or approver must upload to Kronos, at the time of entry of the missed punch, the approver's approval of the missed punch, whether that's a saved email, scanned paper form, or a picture of a paper form.
- For directions on uploading a document to Kronos, see pages 5 6 of the *Kronos Timekeeper Guide*.

Question: What if an employee submits multiple timesheet change requests for missed punches within a pay period?

Answer: Employees working at district sites are supposed to clock in and out at the Kronos clocks. Try to determine what is causing the issue. Are they simply forgetting? If so, you may wish to warn them about forgetting to punch in/out and, if the issue persists, you may wish to consult Employee Relations.

Are they claiming their badge isn't working? You or your timekeeper may wish to observe them attempt to clock in or out to verify what the issue is, if any. If there is an issue, ask them to email <u>kronos@columbus.k12.oh.us</u> and note their employee ID number the six-digit number which starts with a "2" on the back of their employee badge, and whether they're getting an error message or no message at all. If no issue, then you may wish to warn them about not punching in/out, and, if the issue persists, you may wish to consult Employee Relations.

Notes about Timesheet Change Requests for Lunch Deduction Cancellations

- If you required an employee to work during their lunch or gave them duties during their lunch, you must approve their lunch deduction cancellation request.
- If an employee has already worked through their lunch, and submits a request after the fact, then you should approve the request. If you don't want them to voluntarily work through lunch going forward you may note in the approval comments not to do so in the future without your prior approval. If an employee disregards your direction you may wish to consult Employee Relations.
- If an employee submits a request to cancel their lunch deduction for a time later in the day, but has not yet worked through their lunch break as of the time of your review of their request, you may choose to approve or reject their request. It's up to your discretion.



Approving or rejecting time off requests

Departmental employees use Kronos self-service to report absences. School employees use Red Rover to report absences. Absences entered by hourly employees in Red Rover automatically populate into their timesheets in Kronos. However, if a school employee fails to report their absence in Red Rover prior to the start of their absence, Red Rover will prevent them from entering their absence. In such a case, the employee should submit the absence (time off request) in Kronos. Currently, employees must submit comp time requests only through Kronos.

How to approve or reject time off requests

You can approve or reject time off requests in multiple ways. The first way to approve a request is to click the login link in the email notification. (You'll receive an email notification each time an employee submits a time off request.)

The link in the email won't take you to the specific request, but rather to your Kronos "My To Do Items," which will display all of your employees' unapproved requests as well as any unapproved timesheets. There may be more than one page of notifications. If so, click the right-facing arrow below "My To Do Items" to scroll through the pages until you locate the request from the email. Find the Time Off Request you wish to approve/reject; then select it by checking the box next to the request and then clicking Approve or Reject.

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After you click Approve, a box will pop up asking if you're sure you want to approve this request. If no errors or warnings are listed, then click Approve. The employee's timesheet will populate with the time off entry.



Cancel



VIDEO: Approving or rejecting time off requests

You'll need to reject time off requests in some cases, such as for the reasons noted below (rejection comments are required):

- Duplicate request; note 'duplicate request' in the comment field
- Time off had already been entered; note 'already entered' in the comment field
- Employee doesn't have sufficient time off balance for time off type selected; note 'insufficient time off balance'

There is another way to approve time off requests. Rather than clicking the links in each of these emails, you can approve and/or reject all unapproved requests by going to your Manager Self Service tab:



Scroll down the page to All Open. Click the words "All Open"

• Important: You must <u>click the words</u> "All Open" to open the report! If you don't, you won't have access to the Approve or Reject buttons.

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Click the check box next to a Time Off request and then click Approve or Reject.

You can check multiple boxes to Approve or Reject multiple time off requests at the same time. Or you can click the check box under "Page" to select all requests to Approve or Reject. If you select multiple time off requests, you can only take one action for the selections, Approve or Reject.

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What if you need to modify a request? The most common reason to modify a request is when the number of hours requested plus any time worked for that day would exceed an employee's standard hours per day. For example, in the following example the employee is a 5hr/day employee. He worked 3:50 hours and is requesting 2:30 for sick leave. The approver would want to modify the 2:30 to 1:10 so that his time worked plus time off doesn't exceed his standard hours per day of 5.

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When you do, because there were hours worked that day, you get the message similar to below. You would <u>not</u> want to remove worked time. In this example, you select Approve Time Off Request and click Submit.

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You can't approve a time off request once a pay period has been locked for editing or approving. Pay periods are locked for editing or approving on the Wednesday after the end of a pay period unless noted otherwise by the Kronos area.

Timesheet approvals

Kronos approvers must approve all timesheets:

- Shortly after the end of each pay period, but
- Before 11:59pm Monday following the end of a pay period.

Kronos staff use Tuesday to follow-up with approvers regarding overdue timesheet approvals. Timesheets are locked for editing or approving on the Wednesday following the end of each pay period, unless noted otherwise by the Kronos area. If an approver tries to approve a timesheet after a pay period has been locked for approval they will get an error message such as the following: "Cannot approve one or more timesheet(s) due to security or workflow settings."



Normal Timesheet Approval Timeline

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The exception to this approval window is when, generally because of holiday breaks, Kronos staff communicate an *earlier* deadline for approving timesheets. For example, Kronos staff communicated to all approvers that timesheets for the pay period ending Friday, November 22, 2024, must be approved by the end of the day, November 22, 2024, which was the last business day before Wellness Week.

Approvers must complete timesheet approvals using the **Approval Checklist** tab in Kronos.



The **Approver Checklist** in Kronos displays the steps you need to take to successfully approve all of your employees' Kronos timesheets. There are 5 steps to the process:

- 1. Approving or rejecting all time off requests for the pay period
- 2. Approving or rejecting all timesheet change requests for the pay period
- 3. Reviewing timesheet exceptions
- 4. Submitting any timesheets which are not in a 'Submitted' status
- 5. Approving all timesheets

Details of the 5 steps are shown on the following pages.

After logging into Kronos, click Approver Checklist.



Checklist Item #1: Approve or Reject time off requests. Click 'All Open'. You must click 'All Open' in order to see the Approve and Reject buttons.

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Checklist Item #2: Approve or Reject timesheet change requests. Scroll down the Approver Checklist. Click on Pending Timesheet Change Requests. You must click 'Pending Timesheet Change Requests' in order to see the Approve and Reject buttons.

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Look at requests before you click approve, because you'll need to reject timesheet change requests in some cases. See <u>page 5</u> for reasons to reject requests.

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Checklist Item #3: Check for missed punches. (You cannot approve a timesheet which has a missed punch.) Scroll down the Approver Checklist to Exceptions. You don't need to click Exceptions, as this area is informational with nothing to approve or reject. You can request your timekeeper follow-up with the employee about the missed punch or you may do so. Of course, time to address the missed punch is very limited once the pay period has ended.

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Checklist Item #4: Submitting Rejected or Open Timesheets. Scroll down the Approver Checklist to "All Timesheets" with the "Saved: Submitting Rejected and Open Timesheets". **You must click 'All Timesheets' in order to see the Approve and Reject buttons.** If no timesheets are listed, go directly to checklist item #5. If there are any timesheets listed, then click All Timesheets.



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Checklist Item #5: Review and approve timesheets.

Timekeeper review

Timekeepers are instructed to review employee timesheets on the Monday following the end of each pay period (unless directed otherwise by Kronos staff), as noted on pages 14 – 16 of the *Kronos Timekeeper Guide*. This review should be completed with sufficient work time left on Monday so that you have time to approve the timesheets by the close of business on Monday. This review includes accounting for employees' scheduled hours per week and taking steps to address any shortfalls.

However, if your timekeeper is absent or unavailable to perform the review, then please follow the guidance on pages 14 – 16 of the *Kronos Timekeeper Guide* to review the timesheets and account for any shortfalls. Your approval of timesheets cannot be postponed based on the availability of your timekeeper.

Approver review and approval

Scroll down the Approver Checklist to "All Timesheets" with the "Saved: Approval Report". Click All Timesheets. <mark>You</mark> <mark>must click 'All Timesheets' in order to see the Approve and Reject buttons.</mark>



Scan the Calc Hours column to see if the hours¹ listed for each employee seems reasonable. If you have more than one page of timesheets, you can click the right-facing arrow under All Timesheets to see additional pages.

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If you want to take a closer look at a timesheet, click the check box next to the record and click View.

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¹ Paid and unpaid hours, excluding unpaid non-scheduled days and unpaid span tracking

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Don't "Reject" a timesheet unless you have previously approved the timesheet and need to correct it, before "Submitting" it again and "Approving" it again. Do not "Reject" a timesheet for any reason other than that.

If you believe a timesheet is wrong, and neither you or the timekeeper can correct the timesheet, then immediately contact <u>kronos@columbus.k12.oh.us</u> and report the issue, noting details of what you believe is wrong. Do not Approve or Reject the timesheet until you receive further guidance.

Error Messages you may encounter when trying to approve timesheets and resolutions.

Message: Incomplete time entry



Why are you getting the message? There's one or more missed punches in the employee's timesheet.

How to resolve: If there are any timesheet change requests for missed punches, approve them, as this may clear the missed punch exceptions and enable you to approve the timesheet. If there are no timesheet change requests for

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missed punches, then you or the timekeeper may follow-up with the employee to note their missed punches, either by submitting timesheet change requests for missed punches or noting it in writing on paper or by email.

Message: The following items need to be resolved before continuing with the request ... There are currently [#] pending time off [or timesheet change] requests. Timesheet cannot be approved and will be skipped.

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Close

How to resolve: Approve all of the time off requests and/or timesheet change requests. See approval steps #1 and #2.

If you get an error message that's not listed above, email kronos@columbus.k12.oh.us.



Correcting a timesheet you've previously approved

You can correct an approved timesheet prior to when timesheets are locked for editing or approving, which occurs on the Wednesday following the end of a pay period. (The exception to this is when, generally because of holiday breaks, Kronos staff lock Kronos timesheets earlier.) If a timesheet needs corrected **after** timesheets have been locked for editing or approving, you, the approver, (not the timekeeper) must email the corrections to Payroll (not Kronos).

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To correct a timesheet you've approved which has not been locked for editing/approving: Type the employee number in the search box. The employee's name will pop-up. Click the person's name.





Ensure you've selected the correct person and pay period. Then click Reject. (If there is no Reject button, it means the pay period has been locked for editing or approving. In that case, you must email any timesheet corrections to Payroll.)



Enter a brief comment noting why you're rejecting the timesheet. Then click Reject again.



Edit / correct the timesheet as needed. Then click Save. Next, click Submit. Then click Submit again.



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Designating a Backup Approver

Approvers must ensure their employees' timesheets are approved by the end of the Monday following the end of each pay period. This must occur even if they are not available to approve the timesheets. Designating a backup approver helps ensure timecards are always approved. Please note that district Kronos staff cannot approve timesheets on behalf of administrators.

What a Backup Approver Can Do

A backup approver may approve your employees' time off requests, timesheet change requests, and timesheets when you are not available to approve them because you are taking time off from work. A backup approver should not be used to approve timesheet change requests, time off requests, and timesheets for a Kronos approver who is present at work. When performing Kronos tasks, a backup approver must follow the direction in this guide.

Who Can Be a Backup Approver

You may designate another administrator within your school or department as a backup approver. More than one backup may be designated. Never designate someone as your backup without informing them. If they aren't a regular Kronos user, please share with them information on how to login and use Kronos.

How to Designate a Backup Approver



Timesheets Awaiting My Approval

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Then click Delegations





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Check the box next to the name of the person you wish to designate as backup and then click Apply







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To remove someone from being your backup approver go to the Delegations area and then click the trashcan icon next to their name.



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Kronos Reports

There a variety of Kronos reports you can access. The report names with the descriptions explain their use. Below are some of the reports which are available:

- Clock usage: Times and locations of punches at Kronos clocks for the past year
 - This report can help you see where an employee clocked in or out on a particular day.
- Missed Punch Requests: Timesheet change requests for missed punches for the past year
 - This report can help you spot possible overuse of this form of request.
- Overtime and Extra Service: Detail for the past year
- Sick leave usage for the past year
- Specified sick and unpaid leave usage for the past year: personal illness, family illness, LWOP and AWOL for the past year.

To access Kronos reports, click the Manager Self Service tab and then scroll to the bottom of that page. You'll see a section called "My Saved Reports", similar to what's shown below. To see all the reports, click the down arrow.

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To run a report, click the play button next to the listing.



Depending on the report, it may take up to a few minutes to run. Once the report completes running, to export the results, click the ellipsis located near the top right part of the report.

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