



CITY OF KENNER

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KENNER UNDER HEAT WARNING; HEAT INDEX COULD REACH 124 DEGREES

Kenner, LA. – Kenner and most of southeastern Louisiana is under an excessive heat warning through 7 p.m. today with the index – the measurement of hot it feels – forecast to be between 113 and 124 degrees this afternoon, according to the National Weather Service.

Highs on Monday are expected between the upper 90s and 104 degrees in interior areas away from coastal marshes, according to forecasters. Combined with the humidity, today could be the hottest day of the year.

“I hope everyone takes this extremely hot weather very seriously and remains indoors, if at all possible,” Kenner Mayor Michael Yenni. “Heat stroke can occur very quickly and it can be quite serious. Also, please think about relatives and neighbors who may need assistance.”

An isolated thunderstorm is possible on Monday and a little more likely on Tuesday, though the break from the heat will only be temporary. The forecast for Tuesday calls for temperatures just a few degrees cooler and a heat index between 107 and 113 degrees.

Remember to take the following precautions:

- Drink a lot of water
- If working or playing outside, take frequent breaks in the shade or in air conditioning
- Never leave children or pets in closed vehicles for any length of time
- Make sure pets have plenty of water and a cool place to rest out of any direct sunlight

For more information on the potential effects of extreme heat, go to http://www.kenner.la.us/6/Extreme_Heat.pdf.

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