

RECREATION CENTERS

Lawrence Parks and Recreation Department operates four recreation centers within the community. The recreation centers are **FREE** to the public; there are no memberships required.

Each facility has space available for rent (*see Facility Rentals, page 67*). Below are listings of each facility and the recreational activities they provide. Activities and/or facility reservations may alter Free Play hours listed.



COMMUNITY BUILDING

115 West 11th St.; (785) 832-7920

The facility features:

- Locker/shower facilities
- Full-size gymnasium
- Weight room
- Cardiovascular workout room

Hours of Operation

- 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. (Mon-Fri)
- 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Sat)
- 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. (Sun)

Free Play Hours

- 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. (Mon-Fri)
- 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Sat)
- 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. (Sun)

EAST LAWRENCE RECREATION CENTER

1245 East 15th St.; (785) 832-7950

The facility features:

- Locker/shower facilities
- Full-size gymnasium
- Weight room
- Cardiovascular equipment
- Game areas (billiards, ping pong)

Hours of Operation

- 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. (Mon-Fri)
- 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Sat)
- 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. (Sun)

Free Play Hours

- 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. (Mon-Fri)
- 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Sat)
- 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. (Sun)



HOLCOM PARK RECREATION CENTER

2700 West 27th St.; (785) 832-7940

The facility features:

- Locker/shower facilities
- Full-size gymnasium
- Racquetball/Handball court
- Weight room
- Cardiovascular equipment
- Games room (billiards, foosball, ping pong)

Hours of Operation

- 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. (Mon-Fri)
- 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Sat)
- 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. (Sun)

Free Play Hours

- 11:05 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Mon-Fri)
- 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Sat)
- 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. (Sun)

ALL RECREATION CENTER WEIGHT ROOMS, GAMEROOMS, EQUIPMENT AND FREEPLAY GYMNASIUM TIMES ARE AVAILABLE TO ALL CITIZENS AT NO COST. PLEASE VISIT RECREATION CENTER FOR GYMNASIUM FREE PLAY SCHEDULE OR WWW.LPRD.ORG/RECREATIONFACILITIES/GYMSCHEDULE.SHTML.

SOUTH PARK RECREATION CENTER IS ONLY USED FOR CLASS PROGRAMMING AND RENTALS.

For more information regarding recreation facilities, contact Tim Laurent, facility operations supervisor, at the Community Building, 115 W. 11th St.; 832-7920 or tlaurent@ci.lawrence.ks.us.

SHELTERS

Lawrence Parks and Recreation Department operates and maintains public park shelters throughout the community's 52 parks. Citizens can reserve them from April 15 through October 30, weather permitting. Reservations are taken one year in advance of the date being requested. *All shelter/gazebo reservation requests must be received two working days (Mon.-Fri.) prior to the date requested.*

There are also shelters located at Deerfield Park, Brook Creek Park and John Taylor Park that are available on a first-come/first-serve basis and are not on the reserve list. Reservations for outdoor shelters and indoor facilities are taken at any of the department's recreational facilities. For large events, you must apply for a Special Use Permit prior to reservation approval. *For questions regarding shelter rentals and their availability, call 832-7920.*

SHELTER RENTAL FEES

Half-day Rental **\$30** (between 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. or 4 p.m. to 9 p.m.)
\$40 Centennial Park Shelter (due to shelter size)

Full-day Rental **\$60** (from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.)
\$75 Centennial Park Shelter (due to size)

BROKEN ARROW SHELTER

2900 Louisiana St.

Capacity: 100-120 individuals

Amenities: lights, electricity, BBQ grill, picnic tables, drinking fountain and restrooms

Other Features in Park: Playground equipment sand volleyball court, horseshoe pits, tennis court and other areas for recreational activities.

BURCHAM PARK SHELTER

200 Indiana St.

Capacity: 45-50 individuals

Amenities: BBQ grill, picnic tables, electricity, drinking fountain and restrooms

Other Features in Park: Playground equipment and other areas for recreational activity. Also connected to a hike/bike path.

CENTENNIAL PARK EAST SHELTER

600 Rockledge Rd.

Capacity: 140-150 individuals

Amenities: lights, electricity, BBQ grill, picnic tables, drinking fountain and restrooms

Other Features in Park: A 40' X 30' walkout deck, playground equipment and is located next to a disc golf course.

CENTENNIAL PARK WEST SHELTER

600 Rockledge Rd.

Capacity: 40 individuals

Amenities: lights, electricity, BBQ grill, picnic tables and restrooms

Other Features in Park: Skate park and disc golf course.

CLINTON LAKE OUTLET PARK WEST SHELTER

1316 E. 902 Rd.

Capacity: 40-50 individuals

Amenities: BBQ grill, picnic tables, water and restrooms

Other Features in Park: Playground equipment, horseshoe pit, sand volleyball court and areas for recreational activities.

CLINTON LAKE OUTLET PARK EAST SHELTER

1316 E. 902 Rd.

Capacity: 40-50 individuals

Amenities: BBQ grill, picnic tables, water and restrooms

Other Features in Park: Playground equipment, horseshoe pit, sand volleyball court and areas for recreational activities.

CLINTON PARK SHELTER

901 W. 5th St.

Capacity: 60-65 individuals

Amenities: lights, electricity, BBQ grill, picnic tables, drinking fountain and restrooms

Other Features in Park: Playground equipment, basketball court and other areas for recreational activities.

"DAD" PERRY PARK NORTH SHELTER

Harvard and Parkside

Capacity: 90-100 individuals

Amenities: lights, electricity, BBQ grill, picnic tables and restrooms

Other Features in Park: Playground equipment, soccer field, other areas for recreational activities, connection to trails.

"DAD" PERRY PARK WEST SHELTER

1200 Monterey Way

Capacity: 50 individuals

Amenities: lights, electricity, BBQ grill, picnic tables and restrooms.

Other Features in Park: Playground equipment, sand volleyball court, tennis court, basketball court, access to trail around the park.

HOBB'S PARK SHELTER

702 E. 11th St.

Capacity: 40-50 individuals

Amenities: electricity, BBQ grill, picnic tables and drinking fountain

Other Features in Park: Baseball/softball field, basketball court, playground equipment and the historic Murphy-Bromelsick house.

HOLCOM PARK SHELTER

2700 W. 27th St., adjacent to Holcom Park Recreation Center

Capacity: 60-70 individuals

Amenities: lights, BBQ grill, picnic tables, electricity, drinking fountain and restrooms

Other Features in Park: Handicap accessible playground equipment, basketball court, sand volleyball court, baseball/softball fields, handball court and tennis court.

LYONS PARK SHELTER

700 N. Lyon St.

Capacity: 60-65 individuals

Amenities: lights, BBQ grill, picnic tables, electricity, drinking fountain and restrooms

Other Features in Park: Playground equipment, baseball/softball fields, basketball court and tennis court.

PRAIRIE PARK SHELTER

2811 Kensington Rd., adjacent to Prairie Park Elementary School

Capacity: 60-70 individuals

Amenities: BBQ grill, lights, picnic tables, electricity, drinking fountain and restrooms

Other Features in Park: Playground equipment, basketball court and access to trails at Mary's Lake.

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR SHELTERS

- Shelters and gazebos may be reserved from April 15 to Oct. 30.
- All reservation requests must be received two working days (Mon-Fri) prior to the date requested.
- Public parks within the city will be open daily to the public from 6 a.m.-11:30 p.m. (Burcham Park: 5 a.m.-10:30 p.m.) (City Code 15-208)
- Cereal Malt Beverages (3.2 beer) are allowed in public parks. (City Code 4-203c3)
- Dogs and cats in public parks must be kept on a leash at all times. (City Code 3-107, 3-202)
- Fires in parks require a permit, except in designated BBQ pits. (City Code 8-207.25)
- Persons reserving shelters and gazebos shall be responsible for the clean up. Glass bottles are discouraged in parks. (City Code 14-109)
- Public events in parks require a permit granted by Lawrence Parks and Recreation Department. (City Code 15-207)

We also have shelters at Deerfield Park, Brook Creek Park and John Taylor Park – available for public use.

GAZEBOS

Lawrence Parks and Recreation Department operates and maintain two gazebos within the community parks. Rental of gazebos can be done after January 1 for the reservation period of April 15 through October 30, weather permitting. *All shelter/gazebo reservation requests must be received two working days (Mon-Fri) prior to the date requested.*

Reservations for gazebos are taken at any of the department's recreational facilities. For large events, you must apply for a Special Use Permit prior to reservation approval. *For questions regarding shelter rentals and their availability at 832-7920.*

SOUTH PARK GAZEBO (William Kelly Bandstand)

1141 Massachusetts St.

Capacity: 20-30 individuals

Amenities: lights, electricity, benches, drinking fountain and restrooms

Other Features in Park: As Lawrence's first park it includes a wonderful flower garden, playground equipment and other areas for recreational activities.

WATSON PARK GAZEBO

6th St. and Kentucky St.

Capacity: 10-15 individuals

Amenities: lights, electricity, tables, BBQ grill, drinking fountain and benches

Other Features in Park: A wonderful view, a beautiful flower garden, basketball court, aquatic center and playground equipment.

LAWRENCE ROTARY ARBORETUM GAZEBO

5100 West 27th St.

Capacity: 6-10 individuals

Amenities: lights, electricity, table and benches

Other Features in Park: A wonderful view of the arboretum, pergola, Xerscape garden and pond. A small stage is also near the gazebo, as well as a small stream with cascading waterfalls.

GAZEBO RENTAL FEES

Two-hour Rental \$25 (between 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. or 4 p.m. to 9 p.m.)

Full-day Rental \$75 (from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.)

Half-day Rental \$40 (from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.)

OTHER FACILITY RENTAL SPACE

Lawrence Parks and Recreation Department provides rental space within the Lawrence community's recreational facilities. Reservations for meeting rooms and other rental spaces can be completed 90 days from the day of rental (except for the Lawrence Union Pacific Depot, which can be completed one year in advance of the date requested). All reservations must be made at least two weeks in advance of the date requested.

Should your event require set up or take down, LPRD charges additional fees for the service. Fees are assessed depending on number of guests at an event: for up to 49 people there is a \$30 set-up/take-down fee; 50 to 99 people, the fee is \$50; and for more than 100 people, the fee is \$100.

For groups handling their own set up/take down, the reservation (at the time of booking) needs to reflect the additional time needed to accommodate set up and take down (*this includes catering, DJs, bands or any other accommodations*).

There are small and large rooms, and gymnasium space available for renting. See room availability and fee schedule for each facility below. Reservations for facility rental spaces are taken at any of the department's recreational facilities. For large events, you must apply for a Special Use Permit prior to reservation being approved. For information regarding facility rentals and their availability, call 832-7920.

COMMUNITY BUILDING

115 West 11th St., 832-7920

Space available for rent:

Gymnasium (**\$35 per hour**)

1/2 Gymnasium (**\$20 per hour**)

Community Room 1* (**\$25 per hour**)

Community Room 2 (**\$20 per hour**)

Community Rooms 1 and 2* (**\$40 per hour**)

Dance studio (**\$20 per hour**)

**includes kitchen with stove, oven and refrigerator.*

Facility reservations can be made on a space available basis. To find out more details about the Community Building rental space availability, contact us at 832-7920. Reservations for facility rentals may be made at the Community Building during the following office hours: 7:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. (**Mon.-Fri.**) and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. (**Sat.**)

EAST LAWRENCE RECREATION CENTER

1245 East 15th St., 832-7950

Space available for rent:

Gymnasium (**\$35 per hour**)

1/2 Gymnasium (**\$20 per hour**)

Meeting Room* (**\$25 per hour**)

**includes kitchen with stove, oven and refrigerator*

Facility reservations can be made on a space available basis. To find out more details about the East Lawrence Recreation Center rental space availability, contact us at 832-7950. Reservations for facility rentals may be made at the East Lawrence Recreation Center during office hours: 8 a.m.-6:30 p.m. (**Mon.-Fri.**) and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. (**Sat.**)

HOLCOM PARK RECREATION CENTER

2700 West 27th St., 832-7940

Space available for rent:

Gymnasium (**\$35 per hour**)

1/2 Gymnasium (**\$20 per hour**)

Wayne Bly Room* (**\$25 per hour**)

Bly Room (South half) (**\$15 per hour**)

Bly Room (North half)* (**\$15 per hour**)

**includes kitchen with stove top, microwave oven and refrigerator*

Facility reservations can be made on a space available basis. To find out more details about the Holcom Park Recreation Center rental space availability, contact us at 832-7940. Reservations for facility rentals may be made at the Holcom Park Recreation Center during the following office hours: 8 a.m.-6:30 p.m. (**Mon.-Fri.**) and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. (**Sat.**)

SOUTH PARK RECREATION CENTER

1141 Massachusetts St., 832-7930

Space available for rent:

Kathy Fode Room* (**\$25 per hour**)

Sunflower Room (**\$20 per hour**)

Conference Room (**\$15 per hour**)

**includes kitchen with microwave oven and refrigerator*

Facility reservations can be made on a space available basis. To find out more details about the South Park Recreation Center rental space availability, contact us at 832-7930. Reservations for facility rentals may be made at the South Park Recreation Center during the following office hours: 8 a.m.-5 p.m. (**Mon.-Fri.**)

LAWRENCE UNION PACIFIC DEPOT

402 North 2nd St.

The Union Pacific Depot offers two rooms for public use: the [Community Room](#) and the [Arden Booth Free State Theater Room](#). You can use the depot for a variety of events, including weddings, receptions, reunions, meetings and educational seminars. LPRD permits alcohol, but you must apply for and receive an Alcohol Permit two weeks prior to the booking date. For large events, a Special Use Permit must be applied for prior to a reservation being approved. You may apply for the Alcohol and Special Use permits at the Community Building, 115 W. 11th St. You may also call 832-7920 for more information. **Reservations may be subject to a deposit.**

Space available for rent:

- Community Room - **\$30/hour**
- Theater Room - **\$20/hour**
- Garden - **\$10/hour**
- Entire Facility - **\$70/hour**

The Community Room

- Measures 24' X 46'
- Capacity for 159 people (standing) or 70 people (seated)
- Use of tables/chairs included in rental fees

Additional features include: Kitchenette with microwave oven, refrigerator and two-burner, stove top.

The Arden Booth Free State Theater Room

- Measures 12' X 28'
- Capacity for 49 people (standing) or 38 people (seated)
- Use of tables/chairs included in rental fees

Additional features include: DVD/VHS viewing system (Additional fees required)

The Union Pacific Depot also includes an outdoor, french-themed flower garden, maintained by Parks and Recreation's professional landscaping staff. The garden's spectacular array of colors in the summer makes for an ideal place for outdoor events. Small bands or DJs are allowed with prior permission. *Reservations must be made at least two weeks in advance and are on a space available basis.* Tours of the Depot are available prior to renting. To find out more details about the Lawrence Union Pacific Depot rental space available, contact us at 832-7920.



Set Up/Take Down Fees

LPRD charges additional fees for the division to provide set up and take down.

For events with:

- Up to 49 people: **\$30**
- 50 to 99 people: **\$50**
- More than 100 people: **\$75**

For groups handling their own set up/take down, the reservation (*at the time of booking*) needs to reflect the additional time needed to accommodate set up/take down (*this includes catering, DJs, bands or any other accommodations*).

For larger events, a Special Use Permit needs to be applied for and approved prior to finalizing the reservation. Alcohol Permits (Lawrence Union Pacific Depot reservations only) are \$25 and need to be applied for and approved prior to finalizing reservation. *For more information call 832-7920.*

FISHING REGULATIONS AT MARY'S LAKE

Mary's Lake was created in the 1950s. Lawrence Parks and Recreation Department worked with property owners in the 70s to sue the natural area and lake for its Exceptional Summer Camps, as well as coordinated programming with special education classes in the public schools in the spring and fall seasons.

In 1991, Lawrence Parks and Recreation purchased the lake property and continued its development of the area with the addition of Prairie Park Nature Center in 1999 and natural trails from the center to the lake area and neighborhood park.



LAWRENCE PARKS AND RECREATION USES THE LAKE FOR NATURE PROGRAMS AND SPECIAL EVENTS, WHICH TAKES PRIORITY OVER PUBLIC FISHING.

Regulations for fishing are:

1. All persons need a license to fish in the lake except persons age 65 or over and under age 16.
2. State daily creel limits apply.
3. Length limit for large mouth bass is 15" minimum, and two (2) per day limit on channel catfish.

The lake is patrolled and regulations are enforced by Wildlife and Parks and Department conservation officers. Inquiries about Mary's Lake and the adjacent seventy-one acre Prairie Park can be made at the Lawrence Parks and Recreation Department Administrative Office, 832-3450.

Lawrence Parks and Recreation uses the lake for nature programs and special events. Public fishing is accepted by following the rules above, but LPRD programs and activities take priority over public fishing and the use of the docks. There is NO swimming and NO boating allowed. NO flotation devices of any kind are allowed in the lake.

OTHER RECREATIONAL FACILITIES**BATTING CAGES**

Clinton Lake Softball Complex, 5101 Speicher Rd.

Part of the Clinton Lake Softball Complex, this facility features:

- 4 Slow-Pitch softball stations
- 2 Fast-Pitch softball stations
- 1 Major League baseball station
- 2 Minor League baseball stations
- 1 Rookie Baseball station

One token buys 20 pitches. Tokens available on site for:

- 1 token for \$1
- 7 Tokens for \$5

Tokens also available at Community Building, 115 W. 11th St., for:

- 15 tokens for \$10
- 25 tokens for \$15

A limited number of helmets and bats are available.

Facility Hours:

The facility is open from March 1 to April 14 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. M-F and 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. From April 15 to October 1 from 8 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Cages will not be open during inclement weather.

BIKING AND HIKING TRAILS

A variety of multi-use trails are available in Lawrence parks for bicyclists, hikers, joggers, walkers and nature lovers. Pick up a Recreation/Bike Trails map at any recreation center or bike shop. The trails range from 8.4 miles of hard surface walkways along Clinton Parkway to miles and miles of scenic nature trails in Riverfront Park, Naismith Valley Park, "Dad" Perry Park, Prairie Park/Mary's Lake area and many other parks.

Mountain bike trails (rated by NORBA for skill levels) continue to be improved east of the 8th and Oak boat ramp in Riverfront Park. The City converted about a mile of the abandoned Santa Fe Railroad line -- from K-10 Highway, 23rd Street to 29th Street, east of Haskell Indian Nations University -- to a bike and hike trail. Ten miles stretch along the South Lawrence Trafficway from Highway 59 west through Clinton Lake property and a connection North of Clinton Parkway to Township Road N1750. Recreational trails through Naismith Valley Park and the Heatherwood neighborhood north of Clinton Parkway are great for walkers. Additional trails have been improved in Prairie Park. Jogging trails are located along four miles of Clinton Parkway. Trails are not available to motorized vehicles by city code.

DISC GOLF COURSES**Centennial Park**

600 Rockledge Dr.

Come try your hand at disc golf. This 18-hole course has no green fees or expensive equipment to buy. Disc golf is played like regular golf except a flying disc is used in place of a ball. One point is counted each time the disc is thrown and when a penalty is incurred. The object is to acquire the lowest score.

Riverfront Park

Highways 20, 40 & 59 junction, by the Kansas River

This course was developed to provide new challenges to disc golf enthusiasts and to keep up with the growing interest in the sport. Set in beautiful Riverfront Park, enjoy the scenic riverside as you toss the disc. Maps and scorecards are available at all recreation facilities or online at www.lprd.org.

DOG PARKS (OFF-LEASH)**"Mutt Run" Off-Leash Dog Park**

1330 East 902 Rd.

The park includes restrooms, separate drinking fountains for dogs and their owners and a small parking lot. Paths are mowed through the fields and along wooded areas. Users must be responsible for their pets and obey rules and regulations posted at the site. Rules are available at recreation centers or on the Web at www.lprd.org. To access the park, take Clinton Parkway west to the Clinton Dam road, turn south on the dam road and take the first left onto 902 Road. Follow 902 Road to the first left. The 30-plus acre park is at the bend in the road that leads to the north side of the spillway.

Riverfront Park - Dog Park

Highways 24, 40 and 59 junction, by the Kansas River

The area is located in Riverfront Park and can be accessed from the park entrance located near the intersection of North 2nd St. and Highways 24 and 40. Paths are mowed through the fields and along the Kansas River.

FISHING**Mary's Lake**

2730 Harper St.

Cast off at Mary's Lake, adjacent to Prairie Park and the Prairie Park Nature Center. Priority is given to Parks and Recreation programs. For more information and fishing regulations, please see page 44.

Pat Dawson Billings Nature Area

27th Street and Crossgate Dr.

After developing the variety of fish in the ponds within the park, fishing is now allowed. Priority is given to Parks and Recreation programs.

HORSESHOE COURTS**Broken Arrow Park**

2900 Louisiana St.

Broken Arrow Park has 16-lighted, state-of-the-art horseshoe courts that are available for recreational use. The Lawrence Horseshoe Club conducts numerous tournaments at this facility, including the Kansas State Pitching Championships. You can reserve courts and check out horseshoes by calling 832-7920.

SKATEBOARD PARKS**Centennial Park**

600 Rockledge Dr.

Designed with input from Lawrence youth, this 12,306 square-foot facility has attracted thousands of skaters. The skate park is designed as a "street" course and boasts eight different features, including:

Half-pipe	Pyramids	Fun box
Grind Rail	Quarter-pipe	Plaza

Deerfield Park

2901 Princeton Blvd.

This 6,000 square-foot facility provides another outlet for Lawrence skaters to practice their moves and develop their skills. The facility features:

Quarter-pipe	Wedge	Three-sided pyramid
Grind box	Grind rails	

Our skate parks are not supervised. Users participate at their own risk and should wear safety equipment. Special events and contests will be held occasionally, and facilities may be reserved for competitions and/or exhibitions on a space-available basis. For more information, call 832-7920.

TENNIS COURTS

The Lawrence Parks and Recreation Department provides lighted outdoor courts for free play at the following locations:

Holcom Park, 2700 W. 27th St.

Lyons Park, 700 N. Lyon St.

Veterans Park, 1840 Louisiana St.

The Lawrence Tennis Center, 21st and Virginia Sts.

Players may activate the lights by push button, and lights will shut off automatically. Non-lighted courts are located at:

"Dad" Perry Park, 1200 Monterey Way

Prairie Park, 2811 Kensington St.

Additional courts are available at Central, South, West and Southwest Junior High Schools and at the University of Kansas. Bicycles, skateboards and/or roller blades are not allowed on tennis courts. *For more information, call 832-7920.*

SOFTBALL AND BASEBALL FIELD RESERVATIONS

Lawrence Parks and Recreation softball/baseball fields may be reserved for private tournaments on a space-available basis. We begin taking reservations on the first working day in January and continue throughout the year. To reserve a field call 832-7920. *Space is limited, so reserve your tournament early!*