



ELLISVILLE
PARKS & RECREATION

2025 ACTIVITY GUIDE



PROGRAMS

SPECIAL EVENTS

FACILITIES



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Visit our website! - ellisville.mo.us

- Online program registrations
- Online ballfield and pavilion reservations
- Online membership applications
- Check event cancellations and changes
- Check for new programs and special events
- Park and trail maps, and more!

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 @ellisvilleparksandrecreation 

Registration for all programs and special events will begin January 2 for Ellisville Residents and February 10 for Non Residents.

Sponsorship Information

Want to partner with the Ellisville Parks Department? We are asking businesses for their help, and in return your business will receive the opportunity for additional promotion through sponsorship signs, banners, flyers, website, social media, etc. What a better way to promote your business throughout the community than to have your business name listed as a sponsor to one of our events?

If you are interested in learning more about our sponsorship program, please contact Meghan Fadler at (636) 227-7508 or mfadler@ellisville.mo.us.

Job Opportunities

Applications are available at the Park Administration Office in Bluebird Park Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Or download an application on our website. All applicants must be 16 years of age or older. For more information, call (636) 227-7508.

Seasonal Openings

Day Camp Counselors, T-Ball Coaches, EDGE Front Desk, EDGE Concession, Summer Park Maintenance, Swim Lesson Instructors*, Lifeguards*, Swim Team Coaches*

* If you are interested in being a lifeguard, swim instructor, or a swim team coach, apply online at www.midwestpool.com. For more information, call Midwest Pool Management at (314) 432-1313.



The Park Administration Center has the room to meet your needs, whether it be a meeting, birthday party, or training seminar. All rentals include set up and take down, tables, chairs, screen, and easel.

Meeting Room Rentals					
Meeting Room Number	Resident Fee	Non Resident Fee	Theater Capacity	Banquet Capacity	Classroom Capacity
101	\$25/hr	\$35/hr	0 tables 60 people	10 tables 40 people	10 tables 30 people
102	\$20/hr	\$30/hr	0 tables 30 people	5 tables 20 people	5 tables 10 people
101 & 102	\$35/hr	\$45/hr	0 tables 100 people	15 tables 80 people	15 tables 50 people

Please Note: There is an additional fee assessed for each hour beyond normal office hours. **\$30/ hour (\$20 / hour - Residents)**

Pavilion Rentals

Pavilions in Bluebird Park are available to rent. Water and electric are turned on in the beginning of April and turned off at the end of October, weather permitting. Registration begins January 2, 2025 for residents and January 21, 2025 for non-residents.

Lions Pavilion

Accommodates approximately 100 people. Equipped with water, electric, 1 barbecue grill and is located near the playground.

Fee: \$60.00/day (\$40.00/day Resident)

Bussmann Pavilion

Accommodates approximately 125 people. Equipped with water, electric, and 2 barbecue grills.

Fee: \$60.00/day (\$40.00/day Resident)

Bluebird Pavilion

Accommodates approximately 10 people. Equipped with (1) barbecue grill.

Fee: \$40.00/day (\$30.00/day Resident)

Ballfield Rentals

Conner Field and Field #2 are available on an hourly basis, Monday through Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. starting Monday, March 10, 2025 through Friday, October 31, 2025. Registration begins January 2, 2025 for residents and January 21, 2025 for non-residents.

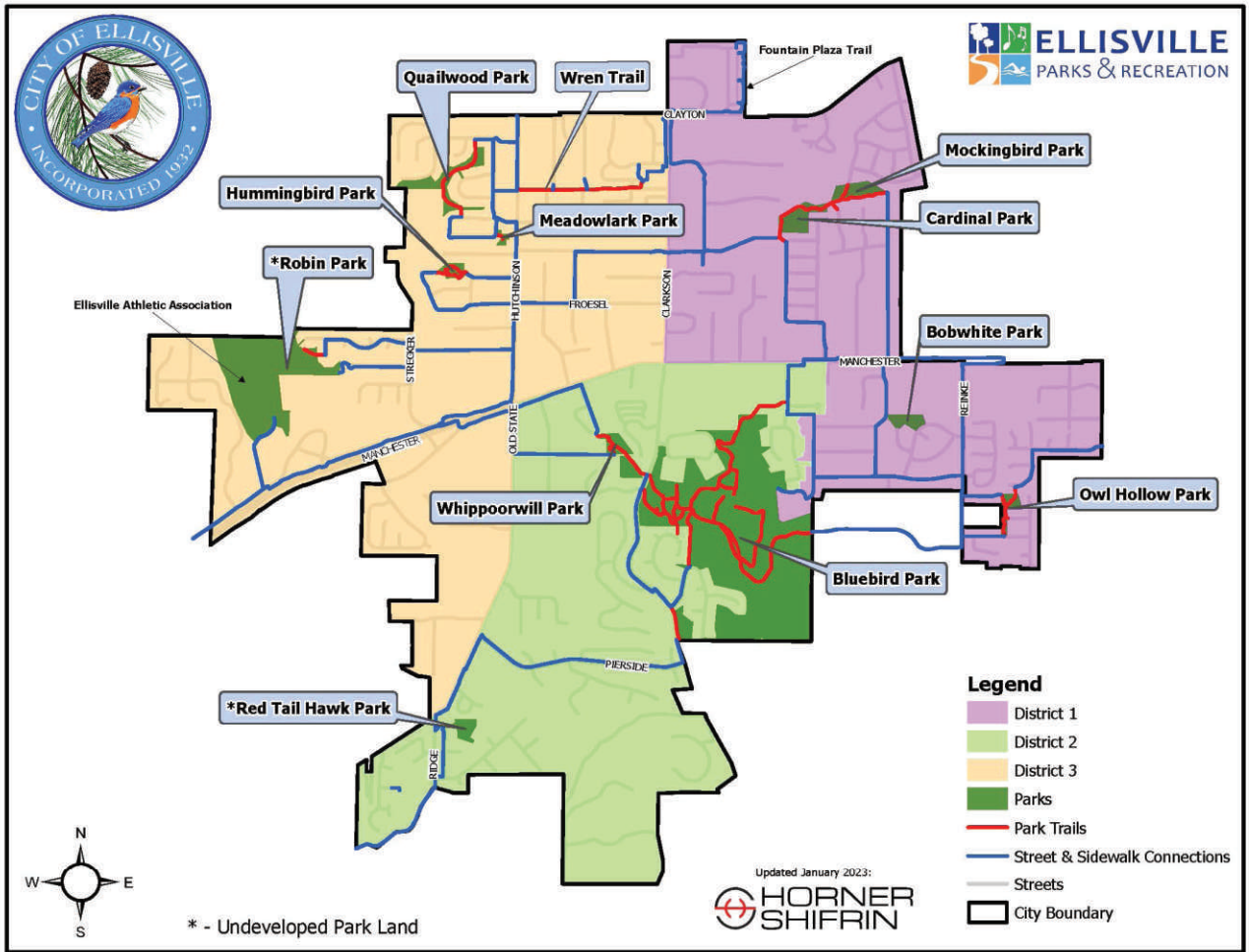
Fee: \$10/hour (\$9/hour Resident)

- Teams may reserve a **maximum** of (2) hours per week and can be reserved online
- Conner Field is located by the Bussmann Pavilion and is the upper field. Field #2 is considered the lower field.



Rental Policies

- Renter is required to have receipt showing documentation of the reservation during the facility rental.
- Payments for all rentals are due at the time of reservation.
- For all pavilion rentals, cancellations made 30 days or more prior to the reservation date will receive a full refund. If the reservation is made less than 30 days prior to the reservation date, there will be no refunds given.
- For all ball field rentals, no refunds will be given. To transfer a practice date the renter will need to request it in writing within 30 days notice.
- The City of Ellisville is not responsible for property lost, stolen or damaged.



Bluebird Park - 225 Kiefer Creek Rd.

167.36 acres includes The EDGE Aquatic Center, playground, 3 tennis courts, 3 pavilions, 2 softball fields, dog park, disc golf course, amphitheater, picnic area, multi-use pad, gaga pit, and trails.

Bobwhite Park - Park Dale Circle

3.10 acres includes playground, basketball court, bike rack, covered picnic area, 1 pickleball court, and natural park space.

Cardinal Park - Marsh Ave. / Arrova Trail

6.41 acres includes a bike rack, a multi-use trail, and natural park space.

Hummingbird Park- Polaris Dr.

2.39 acres includes a bike rack and a multi-use trail.

Klamberg Trail - 0.62 miles of multi-use trail

Meadowlark Park- Clayton Oaks Dr.

0.89 acres includes a playground, covered picnic area, basketball court, and bike rack.

Mockingbird Park- Bridgeport Dr.

5.13 acres includes a playground, bike rack, picnic table with barbecue grill, a multi-use trail, and natural park space.

Owl Hollow Park- Palm Bay/Corvallis Ct.

3.16 acres includes a playground, basketball court, bike rack, and natural park space.

Quail Woods Trail - West Field/Virginia Ave.

8.07 acres includes a multi-use trail and natural park space.

Red Tail Hawk Park - Summer Oaks Drive

2 acres undeveloped.

Robin Park - Sunny Glenn Ct./Sunnyridge

Subdivision. 29 acres includes natural park space and is undeveloped.

Whippoorwill Trail - Kiefer Creek/Pretoria/

Macklin Dr. 5.78 acres includes multi-use trail.

Woodpecker Trail - Field Avenue/Hilltop

Multi-use trail and natural park space.

Wren Trail - Hutchinson/Springer Road

Multi-use trail.

Ellisville Dog Park

The Ellisville Dog Park is located in Bluebird Park and has two separate areas for small and large dogs. The large dog area is .28 acres and the small dog area is .11 acres. Dog water fountains are provided in each dog park area. An Ellisville Dog Park Membership is required to enter. **Hours: Dawn to Dusk Daily**

(There may be times when the park is closed for events, repairs, or due to inclement weather.)

Membership Information:

Annual Dog Park Memberships are \$40 (up to 3 dogs per household) and are available online, or at the Park Administration Office. Documentation showing proof that the dog has been spayed or neutered, and current rabies and bordetella vaccinations are required.



Ellisville Community Garden

The City of Ellisville has an organic (no pesticides) community garden in Bluebird Park available to Ellisville residents only. The annual fee for a plot is \$25. The garden includes individual planting plots, access to water and a fence around the perimeter to keep deer from helping themselves to your garden.

The gardeners from 2024 have the first chance at plots for 2025. Any openings will be filled first with people on the waiting list. After that, any plots remaining will be available on a first come first served basis beginning February 3, 2025.

Bluebird Park Amphitheater

The Bluebird Park Amphitheater will be available again this summer and fall to reserve free of charge for musical and dance groups to perform. Amphitheater Reservation Guidelines can be found at: <https://www.ellisville.mo.us/500/Bluebird-Park-Amphitheater>

For reservations, please contact Amber Peper at 636-227-7508 or apeper@ellisville.mo.us.



Tennis Courts

The City of Ellisville has (3) public tennis courts located in Bluebird Park. These courts are available, but are used in the following priority:

- Scheduled tennis lessons sponsored by the Parks Department.
- Scheduled tennis leagues sponsored by the Parks Department.
- Drop-ins that want to utilize the courts when not in use.

Disc Golf Course

The Bluebird Park Disc Golf Course is a challenging (9) hole course for all ages and the entire family.

Scorecards and rules are available at the Park Office.

THE **EDGE**
AQUATIC CENTER
OF ELLISVILLE



Normal Hours

May 24 - September 1
11:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

The EDGE will be closed on the days that the Rockwood School District is in session. If there is a shortage of lifeguards, the aquatic center may not be open every day August 11-15.

Special Hours

June 10 & 24 - 11:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
July 17 - 11:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
July 4th - 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Daily Admission

Ellisville Residents (with Resident I.D.)		Non Residents	
Youth (3-17)	\$5	Youth (3-17)	\$9
Adult	\$7	Adult	\$9
Senior	\$5	Senior	\$9

Resident I.D.

Ellisville residents that wish to pay resident daily admission must purchase a resident ID. ID's can be purchased in the Parks Administration Building or online at ellisville.recdesk.com for \$3.00. Resident ID's are for Ellisville Residents only.

Plan your summer birthday party at **THE EDGE!!**

SPLASH PARTIES

Saturday or Sunday, 11:30 a.m. -1:00 p.m. OR 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Standard Splash Party:

Use of room for 1.5 hours and 20 pool passes for your guests to swim for the day. You are welcome to bring your own party refreshments (allowed in the party room but not in pool area) or purchase food and drinks at the concession stand.

Resident: \$160
Non Resident: \$215

Deluxe Splash Party:

Use of room for 1.5 hours, 20 pool passes for your guests to swim for the day, plates, forks, cups, napkins, for 20 people, 1 table cloth, 4 large 1 topping pizzas, and (3) 2 liters of soda. Additional pizzas may be purchased with advanced notice for \$10 each.

Resident: \$230
Non Resident: \$285

Please note: Party participants will not be able to access the pool during their party time but are welcome to swim before or after the rental time. Anyone accessing the pool deck must have a party pool pass. **Additional passes are \$7 Resident and \$9 Non Resident.** Refunds will not be given for Splash Parties unless the Aquatic Center closes due to inclement weather.

Please contact Amber Peper at apeper@ellisville.mo.us or (636) 227-7508 for availability.

EDGE Memberships

Early Bird Special begins February 17

Memberships will go on sale Monday, February 17 and will be sold at a 10% discount through Friday, May 23. Memberships will be sold at regular rate beginning May 24.

Ellisville Residents	Early Bird Special (Feb. 17 - May 23)	Regular Rate (Starts May 24)
Youth (3-17)	\$65	\$72
Adult (18-61)	\$83	\$92
Senior (62+)	\$65	\$72
Senior Couple	\$117	\$130
Family of 4 *	\$192	\$212
Additional Family Member	\$15	\$15

*Please Note: Resident **Family** Membership also applies to Wildwood Residents

Non Residents		
Youth (3-17)	\$106	\$117
Adult	\$140	\$155
Senior (62+)	\$106	\$117
Senior Couple	\$153	\$170
Family of 4	\$276	\$304
Additional Family Member	\$15	\$15

Membership Information:

Memberships are available for purchase **online at ellisville.recdesk.com**, or in person at the Park Administration office during normal office hours. If you have had a membership in the past or have registered for programs, you already have an online account with us. **Please do not make a new account.** This may cause issues with your passes. To recover your login information please e-mail apeper@ellisville.mo.us

Definition of a Family:

In reference to EDGE Family Aquatic Center Membership, the definition of a family is up to 2 adults living in the same household year round as their permanent residence, and dependents under 24 years of age or senior dependents who also reside in the same household.

Kid's Play

The EDGE Splash Pad is open just for kids 6 and under on Monday and Thursday mornings from 10:00 - 11:15 a.m., June 2 - August 14.

Kids Play may not be held if it is raining or when temperature is below 75 degrees. Season passes cannot be used for Kid's Play.

Kids **\$3**
Adults **\$3**





Shrimp (6 months - 3 years)
Intended to develop comfort in and around water. Parent accompanies child in the pool.



Seahorse (3 - 5 years)
Teaches buoyancy, breath control and introduces basic water skills.



Starfish (5 - 8 years)
Learns unsupported floating, kicking and begins swimming skills. Front and back crawl are introduced.



Guppy (6 - 10 years)
Continues to work on front crawl and back crawl, learns elementary backstroke, and begins diving.



Flipper (8 - 11 years)
Introduces sidestroke, deep water bobbing, breaststroke kick, and continues to work on other strokes.



Seal (9 - 13 years)
Refine and review all strokes and turns.

Sessions:

June 2 - June 12 Monday-Thursday
10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

June 16 - June 26 Monday-Thursday
10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

July 7 - July 17 Monday-Thursday
10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

July 21 - July 31 Monday-Thursday
10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

July 7 - July 30 Monday/Wednesday
7:45 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.

June 7 - August 2 Saturdays (excl. 7/5)
10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

June 7 - August 2* Saturdays (excl. 7/5)
(*Shrimp and Seahorse only)
10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

**Group Lesson
Fee: \$83
(\$69 Resident)
(8) 30 minute
lessons**



***Registration deadline is the Thursday before each session begins. Rain make-up days will be the Friday following the missed lesson. NO LESSONS WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY, JULY 5TH.**

Private & Semi-Private Lessons

Does your child learn better with individual instruction? Register for private or semi-private lessons! Lessons are 30 minutes each of individual instruction. Please allow at least (1) week lead time for lessons to be scheduled, lessons will not be scheduled until after June 1. Please note: for semi-private lessons, children must be at the same skill level. **To purchase a package, register online at: ellisville.recdesk.com or contact apeper@ellisville.mo.us**

Private lessons are generally available:

10:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. T, W, TH. or Sat.
7:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. M & W evenings

Package of (3) Lessons:

Private(1 child): \$89 (\$71 Resident)
Semi-Private(2 children): \$129 (\$101 Resident)



GATOR SWIM TEAM

Ages 5-18 (as of May 31, 2025) are invited to join the Ellisville/Wildwood Gator Swim Team. The team will compete against other municipal teams in the St. Louis County Area. Emphasis is placed on sportsmanship and learning basic skills while having fun! Please note that swim team is NOT a substitute for swim lessons.

Important Registration Information

To register go to www.ellisville.mo.us. When your swim team registration is complete and you bring in three \$75.00 work assignment checks, your Team Unify account will be activated within 48 hours, and then you will receive an e-mail with instructions on how to sign up for your work assignments. Volunteer shift sign-ups will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

Practices and Meets

The season lasts from May 27 - July 18, Monday-Friday. Regular season meets typically take place on weekdays with warm-ups beginning at 5:30 p.m. and meets beginning at 6:00 p.m. More information will be available during the new parent Meeting which is scheduled for Tuesday, May 20 at 6:30 p.m.

Swim Team Assessments

All new swimmers will be assessed during the first week of practice. During the assessments, swimmers may not stop and/or grab the wall or lap lane. We do not expect your swimmer to have a perfect stroke. These steps are taken for safety precautions, as we want to ensure your swimmer is able to meet the requirements needed for practices and meets. If your swimmer is unable to meet the specific skills required, a full refund will be given.

Work Assignments

All families are required to sign up for (3) volunteer shifts, in addition to conference meets if your swimmer participates. If you do not fulfill these assignments - your checks will be cashed.

Swim Practice Schedule

Swim Ages 12-18	7:30-8:30 a.m.
Swim Ages 9-11	8:30-9:30 a.m.
Swim Ages 5-8	9:30-10:30 a.m.

Alternative Swim Practices
Tuesdays - 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Team Fees: (Wildwood Residents receive the Ellisville Resident rate)

First Swimmer	\$190.00 (\$165.00 Resident)
Additional Family Member	\$165.00 (\$140.00 Resident)



VOYAGER DAY CAMP

IN BLUEBIRD PARK!

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.



This day camp provides youth with the opportunity to participate in a wide range of educational and adventurous outdoor activities.

Campers will be grouped by age to better coordinate activities. Age groups include; 5-8 and 9-12. Camp will be divided into sessions with a special theme for each session. During each 2 week session we will have guest entertainers! Campers will need to bring their own lunch and drink.

PLEASE NOTE: Campers must have completed Kindergarten in order to participate in camp



Session 1: June 2-13: Carnival Extravaganza

Step right up to our Carnival Extravaganza! Campers will immerse themselves in the thrilling carnival atmosphere, with exciting games, colorful crafts, and unforgettable fun! Campers will engage in carnival-inspired activities, learning teamwork, creativity, and problem-solving while having a blast with hands-on crafts, performances, and competitions. \$340 (\$305 Resident)

Session 2: June 16-27: Stars, Stripes, & Heroes

Get ready to explore the best of the USA and the everyday heroes who make a difference in our communities. Through interactive activities, team challenges, and hands-on learning, campers will celebrate all that makes America beautiful. Campers will also be introduced to the real-life heroes who help shape America. They'll get an up-close look at the vital roles of our first responders, such as firefighters, police officers, and emergency medical personnel. \$340 (\$305 Resident)

Session 3: July 7-18: Wilderness Explorers

Calling all adventurers! Get ready to explore the wild wonders of nature in this action-packed session. Campers will immerse themselves in the beauty of nature, learn essential outdoor skills, and embrace the thrill of adventure. From hiking to nature-themed crafts and games, we will explore the outdoors and connect with nature like never before! \$340 (\$305 Resident)

Session 4 - July 21 - August 1: Water Palooza

Dive into the ultimate water-filled adventure and explore all things aquatic! From thrilling water games and outdoor water sports to creative water-themed crafts and team challenges, this session promises endless fun and excitement! \$340 (\$305 Resident)

Register for all 4 sessions **at the same time:** \$1,224 (\$1098 Resident)

BEFORE AND AFTER CAMP

Less structured camper-led activities surround your camper's action packed day of camp.

Before camp: 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

After camp: 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Fee per 2 week session: \$95 (\$85 Resident)

Tennis Lesson Information:

All participants are asked to bring a racquet and water bottle. If you have a question on where to place your child for any of the lessons, **please contact tennis coordinator, Bill Barker at (314) 518-4200.**

Class Descriptions:

Future Stars (4-7) and Beginner (7-16): These programs are developed by the USTA, and is an exciting way to help kids learn and play the game of tennis.

Intermediate (10-18): This program is designed by the USTA. Intermediate class is for students who are able to rally back and forth. This class will focus on game play.

High School (12-18): Designed for the high school player who is committed to making a significant improvement to their game.

Adult (16+): Learn the fundamentals of tennis including forehand, backhand, volley, serves, etc.

Summer Tennis Lessons

Session 1: June 2 - June 25
Session 2: July 7 - July 30

Mondays & Wednesdays

<u>Future Stars</u>	8:30-9:30 a.m. or 5:00-6:00 p.m.
<u>Beginner</u>	9:30-10:30 a.m. or 6:00-7:00 p.m.
<u>Intermediate</u>	9:30-10:30 a.m. or 7:00-8:00 p.m.
<u>High School</u>	10:30-11:30 a.m.

Tuesdays & Thursdays

Session 1: June 3 - June 26
Session 2: July 8 - July 31

<u>High School</u>	6:00-7:00 p.m.
Fee: \$110 (\$105 Resident)	

Team Tennis (8-18 yrs)

June 3 - August 2

Practices on Tuesdays - 6:00-7:00 p.m.
Matches held on Friday or Saturday mornings
Fee: \$170 (\$150 Resident)

Spring Tennis Lessons

April 7 - 30

Mondays & Wednesdays

<u>Future Stars</u>	5:00-6:00 p.m.
<u>Beginner</u>	6:00-7:00 p.m.
<u>Intermediate</u>	7:00-8:00 p.m.

April 8 - May 1

Tuesdays & Thursdays

<u>High School</u>	6:00-7:00 p.m.
Fee: \$110 (\$105 resident)	

Fall Tennis Lessons

September 8 - October 1

Mondays & Wednesdays

<u>Future Stars</u>	5:00-6:00 p.m.
<u>Beginner</u>	6:00-7:00 p.m.
<u>Intermediate</u>	7:00-8:00 p.m.

Fee: \$110 (\$105 Resident)

Private, Semi-private & Small Group Lessons

Private, semi-private, and small group lessons are offered through our tennis professional, Bill Barker. *Bill is a nationally certified tennis professional with 20 plus years experience coaching at both the high school and collegiate levels.*
To schedule a lesson, please contact Bill Barker at (314) 518-4200.

Mad Science - "Make It" Camp

Grades K-5, spend your Spring Break week with us for non-stop science fun! Roll up your sleeves, put on your makers cap, and get ready to create! Enter the Mad Science chemistry lab and mix, mash, and brew concoctions! Assemble and control pulleys, levers, catapults, simple machines, and megapinchers!



Dates: March 17 - 21
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Location: Park Admin. Building - Bluebird Park
Fee: \$250

T-Ball

Children ages 4-6 will learn the basic fundamentals of baseball/softball in this instructional, non-competitive format. Children will grasp different skills and rules before playing school games or leagues. Children are asked to bring a glove & water bottle.

Dates: Tuesdays - June 3 - July 29
 (excluding July 1)
Time: 5-6 p.m. OR 6-7 p.m.
Location: Conner Field, Bluebird Park
Fee: \$65 (\$55 Resident)



Pickleball

Come learn the fastest growing sport in America! Beginner introductory pickleball class taught by Bill Barker our Tennis Pro

Location: Bluebird Park Tennis Courts
 Time for all classes: 8-9 p.m.

S1: Monday/Wednesday April 7 - 30
 S2: Monday/Wednesday June 2 - 25
 S3: Monday/Wednesday July 7 - 30

Fee per session: \$95 (\$90 Resident)



Sunrise Yoga in the Park

Start your day with a Vinyasa style yoga flow. You will strengthen your body with poses synched with breath, as well as balancing postures and dynamic core work that will leave you feeling energized to start your day. Accessible to all levels. Please bring a mat.

Location: Bluebird Park Amphitheater
 Time: 6:00-7:00 a.m.

S1: Tuesday/Thursday May 6 - 29
 S2: Tuesday/Thursday June 3 - 26
 S3: Tuesday/Thursday July 8 - 31

Fee per session: \$160 or (\$25 drop in)



L.O.A.P. - Lafayette Older Adult Program

Are you interested in making new friends, hearing great speakers and musicians, going on exciting day trips, or playing bingo and cards?

If you are 55 plus, this is a great group for you! LOAP is a cooperative partnership between Ellisville, Ballwin, Chesterfield, Manchester, Wildwood, Winchester, and the Parkway and Rockwood School Districts.

Fee includes: entertainment, coffee, soda, and dessert, you just need to bring a sack lunch. Occasionally, special luncheons require a reservation and pre-payment at a higher fee. We also offer several Day Trips throughout the year.

For more information, call Meghan Fadler at (636) 227-7508.

Date: 2nd & 4th Monday of every month
(September-May)

Fee: \$2 / person

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Location: Ballwin Golf Course



AARP Driver Safety



The AARP Driver Safety Smart Driver Course is designed specifically for drivers ages 50 and older. When you complete the course you could qualify for a multiyear discount on your car insurance. The AARP Smart Driver Course will refresh you on: Effective safe driving practices, skills and strategies you can use on the road every day, defensive driving techniques, local laws and traffic rules, proper maintenance of your vehicle, and much more!

Dates: 5/13, 8/12, 10/14, and 12/16

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Fee: \$20 AARP members
\$25 non-members

Location: Park Administration Building, Bluebird Park

To register: call (636) 498-9255

Capture Ellisville!

Park Photography Contest - Capture Your Favorite Moments of Ellisville!

We're inviting residents of all ages to participate in our Photography Contest! Show us your favorite moments in the park—whether it's a beautiful landscape, a wildlife encounter, or a community event. It's your chance to showcase what makes the park special to you.

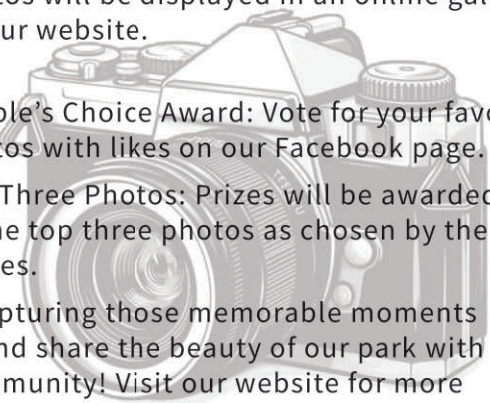
How to Enter:

- Submit your photos online from November 1 through November 27, 2025.
- An entry form must be filled out to complete your submission.
- Photos will be displayed in an online gallery on our website.

Awards:

- People's Choice Award: Vote for your favorite photos with likes on our Facebook page.
- Top Three Photos: Prizes will be awarded to the top three photos as chosen by the judges.

Start capturing those memorable moments today and share the beauty of our park with the community! Visit our website for more information.



The Lucky Leprechaun Hunt

Children 9 and under, come out to Bluebird Park's coin hunt! A leprechaun has hidden his gold coins around the park. When you find all your coins come inside and enjoy some refreshments and a craft.

Dress for outdoor weather.

Date: Saturday, March 15

Time: 10:00- 11:00 a.m.

Fee: \$6.00 / child (Pre-registration required)

Location: Bluebird Park



Stargazing!

Bring the family and join the volunteers from the St. Louis Astronomical Society for some stargazing. They will have telescopes to enhance your viewing experience.

Date: Monday, October 27

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Bluebird Park – Conner Field

Fee: Free!



Bark in the Park!

Join us for Bark in the Park! It's a great chance to try out the Dog Park before becoming a member. There will be a raffle for a free dog park membership for those who attend. Take photos with your dog in our kissing booth plus enjoy other activities. If you aren't a member of the Dog Park, proof of vaccinations are required.

Date: Saturday, May 3

Time: 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Fee: FREE!

Location: Bluebird Park Dog Park



Blood Drives in Bluebird Park

The American Red Cross will be holding Blood Drives at the Park Administration Building in Bluebird Park on the following dates:

Tuesday, March 25	12:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday, September 2	12:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday, December 2	12:00 - 4:00 p.m.

To schedule an appointment please visit: www.redcrossblood.org



Electronic Recycling



The City of Ellisville is partnering with Adonis Recycling to provide electronic recycling events on the first Thursday of each month, February – November* from 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. in the parking lot of Bluebird Park (*Excluding May when it will be held Saturday, May 3 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.)

Visit ellisville.mo.us to find items they accept and the cost to recycle certain items. To find out more about Adonis Recycling go to: adonisrecycling.com

Easter Egg Garden: Decorating Contest

Help us grow our Easter Egg Garden in Bluebird Park!

Register – Pick up your wooden egg beginning March 21 at the Parks Administration Building – Get Creative – Decorate your egg – Return your egg to the Parks Administration Building by April 10. Winner will be announced on April 14!

The eggs will be outside so we suggest using exterior paint and waterproof materials

Date: March 21 - April 10

Fee: \$5.00

Location: Bluebird Park

Hip Hop Hurray Hunt

The Easter Bunny will leave a trail of eggs in Bluebird Park on April 12, 2025. Have your Easter baskets and cameras ready! Meet the Easter Bunny! Children 9 and younger will hunt for colorful eggs full of candy and prizes.

Date: Saturday, April 12

Time: 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Location: Lions Shelter, Bluebird Park

Fee: Free! PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED!

Register online or call (636) 227-7508



Adult Egg Hunt

Ages 21+ The Ballwin, Ellisville, and Manchester Parks and Recreation Departments are hosting an Adult Egg Hunt. Bring your own snacks and drinks and stay after the hunt for a bonfire. Don't forget to bring a bag/basket and a flashlight! The hunt will be held rain or shine.

Participants must pre-register with the City of Manchester at www.manchestermo.gov **Register early, space is limited!**

Date: Friday, April 4

Time: 7:30 p.m. or dark

**Fee: \$10/ person until March 30
\$13/ person beginning March 31**

Location: Paul A. Schroeder Park, Manchester, MO



Arbor Day Ceremony

2025 Marks the 44th consecutive year that the City of Ellisville has been a Tree City U.S.A.

Attendees will receive a seedling from the department of conservation.

Date: Friday, April 25

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Location: Bussmann Shelter



**2025
SUMMER
CONCERT SERIES**



**BLUEBIRD PARK
THURSDAYS 7-9 P.M.**

CONCERT LINEUP

- June 5 DR. ZHIVEGAS
- June 12 GHOST KITCHEN
- June 19 COMMON TIME RHYTHM & BLUES
- June 26 THE ROCKWOOD BOYS
- July 10 WELL HUNGARIANS
- July 24 120 MINUTES
- July 31 NICK GUSMAN AND THE COYOTES
- August 7 WILD HORSE CREEK BAND
- August 21 THE WHISKEY DRIFTERS



During the concerts enjoy food, local artisans and produce (when available)
If you are interested in being a vendor, contact: mfadler@ellisville.mo.us



INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

FRIDAY, JULY 4th 2025

**GRIFFIN AND THE GARGOYLES CONCERT,
FOOD AND DRINK VENDORS 7:00 P.M. – 9:15 P.M.**

SPECTACULAR FIREWORKS DISPLAY - 9:15 P.M.

Attention Ellisville Residents!
A limited number of Bluebird Park parking passes will be available on a first come first served basis for Ellisville residents at: www.ellisville.recdesk.com beginning Monday, June 9 at 9:00 a.m. or in person at the Park Administration Building in Bluebird Park. Parking passes reserved on-line can be picked up through Thursday, July 3 from 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. No glass bottles or pets will be allowed.

Ellisville's Pumpkin Patch!

The City of Ellisville is kicking off Fall by hosting its very own month-long scavenger hunt throughout the City's parks. In October we will be placing painted wooden pumpkins in our parks. We will display them on our Facebook page and challenge you to go find them all! But first, we need your help designing the pumpkins!

Come pick up a wooden pumpkin starting August 25 at the Parks Administration Building. Get creative and design your own pumpkin and bring it back by September 22.

Fee: \$5



Family Campout

Come out to Bluebird Park to camp with your friends and family! Leave those electronics at home and join us in getting back to nature. There will be a bonfire, games, hiking, storyteller and more. Dinner and breakfast are included!

Note: Families will need to provide their own tent and sleeping materials.

Saturday, September 13
3:00 p.m. - 9:00 a.m.

\$45 per family of up to 4
 (\$10 each additional person)

Pre-registration is required

Location: Bussmann Pavilion



FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT SERIES

Bring the family to watch a movie on the big outdoor screen in Bluebird Park! The Ellisville Parks Department is hosting a **FREE** family friendly movie night series. Just bring your own chairs and blankets.

Location: Bluebird Park Amphitheater

MOVIE LINE-UP:

Friday, June 6 **WONKA**

Friday, August 8 **MOANA 2**



MOVIES WILL BEGIN AT DARK!

Pooch Plunge

The EDGE Aquatic Center is going to the dogs again this summer! Dogs and their owners will have the opportunity to plunge, play, socialize, and have fun at the EDGE Aquatic Center! Proceeds will benefit the Ellisville Dog Park.

Wednesday, September 3

5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

The EDGE Aquatic Center

Admission:
 \$3 per person
 \$7 per dog



Hot Dog It's Chili

Mark your calendars for some great family fun! A fun filled evening of music, children's activities, food and drink vendors, and hayride shuttles.

Children: Wear a costume and bring a bag for some Halloween treats!

Friday, October 24

5:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Bluebird Park

If you are interested in being a vendor, please contact Meghan Fadler at (636) 227-7508 or mfadler@ellisville.mo.us



Fall Hayrides

Come join us for an evening hayride, and enjoy hot cocoa while roasting marshmallows over an open fire for your s'more!

Thursday evenings:
6:00, 6:45, or 7:30 at
Bussmann Shelter in
Bluebird Park.

September 25

October 2

October 9

October 16

Fee per person:
\$10 (\$8 Resident)
**Pre-registration is
required.**



Sleigh Ride to the North Pole

NEW!! Join us for a Sleigh Ride to the North Pole! Get ready for a jolly adventure where you can take a photo with Santa Claus himself! But watch out! The Grinch will be lurking around, causing all sorts of silly trouble! We'll have yummy hot chocolate to warm you up, and don't forget to bring your flashlight to hunt for hidden candy canes! Just make sure you pre-register for a sleigh ride pick up time for everyone going on the ride. Dress warm - it's a chilly night at the North Pole!

Date: Friday, December 5

Pick up times: 5:30, 6:00, 6:30, or 7:00 p.m.

Fee: \$8 (**pre-registration required for all participants**)

Location (Pickup): Bluebird Park Admin. Building

Letters from Santa

Santa has asked us to help him by collecting letters in our "North Pole" Mailbox. We will then forward the letters to the North Pole for a response from Santa. The mailbox will be up from Nov. 28 – Dec. 18 in front of the Park Administration Building.

You may also mail your letters to: SANTA CLAUS 225 Kiefer Creek Rd., Ellisville, MO 63021.

To receive a personal response from Santa your letter must include:

- The Childs' first & last name
- Return address
- Be submitted on or before Dec. 18, 2025



Refund Policy:

Withdrawal: A participant who wishes to withdraw from a program or special event, must do so within 30 days of the start date of the program/event to receive a full refund. If it is less than 30 days prior to the program/event, the spot must be filled in order to receive a refund.

Injury/Illness: If a participant is unable to complete a program due to illness or injury, we require verification from a medical doctor.

Cancellations: If the Parks Department cancels a program or special event, the full fee amount will be refunded.

Volunteer Information:

Do you want to do something meaningful with your time? Be a volunteer! Volunteer for your Ellisville Parks and Recreation Department. The Parks Staff is looking for volunteers for our upcoming special events.

Anyone interested should contact Sally Grobelny at (636) 227-7508 or sgrobelny@ellisville.mo.us.

Pets and Glass Bottles:

The Ellisville Parks and Recreation Department would like to remind the public that glass bottles are not allowed in Ellisville Parks and no pets are allowed during the Annual Independence Day Celebration. Please also remember to keep your pets on their leash when in Ellisville parks and that you should promptly remove and dispose of all waste left by your pet on public or private property.

Insurance Statement:

The Ellisville Parks and Recreation Department does not provide insurance coverage for injuries suffered while participating in Park programs or while using park facilities. We therefore urge that any costs related to such injuries be presented to your personal hospitalization insurance carrier.

Inclement Weather:

The Ellisville Parks and Recreation Department will make every effort to hold all recreation programs and special events. If inclement weather should occur (thunderstorms, lightning, snow, etc.) classes and events may be cancelled in the interest of safety. If you are scheduled to participate in a recreation program or special event and inclement weather should occur, please call the Park Administration Center at (636) 227-7508 or visit us on our website at www.ellisville.mo.us for cancellation information. Cancelled classes or special events will be made up at a later date. There will be no refunds issued for camps due to days cancelled by inclement weather.

Inclusive Recreation Services:

Teri Johnson, CTRS/CPRP, works as the Executive Director of Municipal Partners for Inclusive Recreation for Ballwin, Brentwood, Crestwood, Des Peres, Ellisville, Kirkwood, Manchester, and Sunset Hills Recreation Departments. She is responsible for facilitating the inclusion of people with disabilities into our recreation programs. If assistance is needed to participate in a recreation program offered by one of these departments please call Terri at 314.835.6157 or use Relay Missouri 711.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA Information)

The Ellisville Parks and Recreation Department encourages people with disabilities to participate in the programs we offer. When you register, please let us know how we can best meet your needs, as we will fully comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) in providing reasonable modifications to facilitate your participation. Call Teri Johnson, Executive Director of Municipal Partners for Inclusive Recreation at 314.835.6157

Land and Water Conservation Fund:

Bluebird, Mockingbird, and Whippoorwill Parks are public outdoor recreation areas and made possible with funding assistance through the Land and Water Conservation Fund. These parks received federal funds from the National Park Service. Regulations of the U.S. Department of the Interior strictly prohibit unlawful discrimination in departmental federally assisted programs on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, and handicap. For concerns with compliance, please contact:

Director, Equal Opportunity Programs, U.S. Department of the Interior National Park Service - P.O. Box 37127



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