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**CHILDREN ENCOURAGED TO LEARN MOUNTAIN BIKING WITH ST. CHARLES COUNTY PARKS**  
*The first 250 children get a free goodie bag!*

**ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MO** – Help us pass on our passion for cycling on to children across the region by taking part in Take A Kid Mountain Biking Day from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 9 at Broemmelsiek Park near Wentzville. The program is hosted by the St. Charles County Parks and Recreation Department and Gateway Off-Road Cyclists.



Children of all ages are encouraged to participate in this fun, free event that features bike skills clinics, guided trail rides, safety inspections and giveaways. A limited supply of demo bikes are available for use that day.

Take A Kid Mountain Biking Day is an annual national event created by the International Mountain Bicycle Association (IMBA) with a goal of introducing mountain biking to the next generation. It was first introduced in 2004.

Broemmelsiek Park is located at 1795 Highway DD near Wentzville. For more information about the program and to pre-register, visit the St. Charles County Parks and Recreation Department online at [www.stccparks.org](http://www.stccparks.org) or call 636-949-7535.

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**About St. Charles County Parks & Recreation**

The St. Charles County Parks & Recreation Department offers unique parks, diverse facilities and a broad range of programs and special events for all ages. The County currently operates 12 parks, including a Youth Activity Park and the recently acquired Historic Daniel Boone Home at Lindenwood Park. Plans for a new park at Kisker Road and Highway 94 are underway.

For more information and specifics about each park, visit [www.stccparks.org](http://www.stccparks.org).

**About St. Charles County**

Founded in 1812, St. Charles County is one of the fastest growing counties in Missouri, and the state's third largest county in both population and economic share. St. Charles County consistently ranks one of the healthiest places to live in Missouri in the County Health Rankings report published by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute. It is home to 12 scenic county parks encompassing more than 2,800 acres with additional land under development and more in reserve for future development.

With a population of 385,840, St. Charles County is home to large employers including Citi, MasterCard Worldwide, Boeing and General Motors. It is ranked among the top 25 counties in the nation in high-tech job growth by the Progressive Policy Institute and consistently has the lowest unemployment rate in the Metropolitan St. Louis area.

St. Charles County employs nearly 1,100 in more than 30 departments and offices, who work to make the county an excellent place to live, work and shop.

For more information, please visit [www.sccmo.org](http://www.sccmo.org).