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PLAY AND LEARN WITH ST. CHARLES COUNTY PARKS
Educational outreach programs available year-round

ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MO – The St. Charles County Parks and Recreation Department offers a variety of outdoor educational opportunities for schools, scouts, churches, and other organizations throughout the year. Children ages 4–12 will discover nature and history in new and exciting ways when they participate in a group field trip in a county park.



It's easy to be a part of these unique experiences. You choose the park, pack your lunch, and we'll do the rest! Depending on the number of children in your group and staff availability, park activities may include a nature hike, learning about park history, exploring native plant and animal life in Missouri, discovering fishing, and learning about aquatic life, and forest ecology.

If you're looking for a traditional park experience, choose one of our parks featuring natural- and paved-surfaced trails, interpretive areas, and water features for children to explore. The Certified Nature Explore Classroom at Towne Park has become a favorite destination due to its dynamic, nature-based play and learning space, which supports skill development in children by reconnecting them with the outdoors. Additional parks to consider are Broemmelsiek Park, Klondike Park, Indian Camp Creek Park and Quail Ridge Park.

If your group is looking for a more cultural or traditional recreation experience, choose from The Historic Daniel Boone Home, Heritage Museum or the Youth Activity Park. These parks have exhibits, historical landmarks, rock climbing walls and more for children to enjoy.

Educational Outreach Programs typically last a couple hours and are scheduled on a first-come, first-serve basis. The cost of each program may vary depending on the size of the group. A nominal fee per student will apply. Groups are encouraged to spend the rest of the day in the park after completing their activities with us.

Whether it's an end of the year celebration, or just a chance to spend the day outside and off-campus, our park outings are the perfect activities to schedule! Call the parks department at 636-949-7535 to register your group and let our park staff and volunteers guide your children through an outdoor experience they won't forget!

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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 Historic Daniel Boone Home. A new park at Pitman Hill Road and Kisker Road is under construction.

For more information and specifics about each park, visit 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.