

# **Community Update**

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# Wyandotte County Spray Parks Opening Memorial Day Weekend

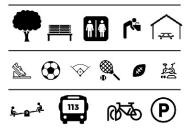
Cool off for free at any of our three parks this summer

The Unified Government of Wyandotte County and Kansas City, Kansas is pleased to announce that all three of the Wyandotte County Parks & Recreation spray parks will open for the Summer 2021 season on Saturday, May 29, 2021 at 9AM.

There are three (3) spray parks in Wyandotte County:

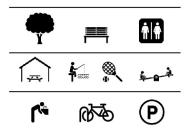


Eisenhower Park 2901 N 72nd Street Behind Eisenhower Middle School



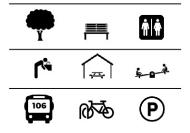


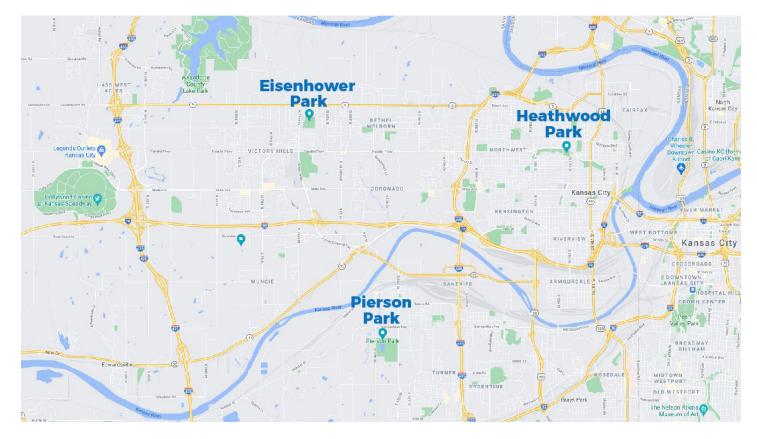
Pierson Park 1800 South 55th Street





Heathwood Park North 10th & Parallel Parkway





Children of all ages and abilities are welcome to enjoy sprays of water from brightly colored towers, loops and hoops with activators that are low enough for all to reach. Wear your swim trunks or swimsuits (they're required) and come cool off with us this summer! Each park, open daily between 9AM until 9PM, is designed to be accessible to all, with level, zero-depth entry. The water is controlled by sensor, so when no one is around, the water is shut off. When touched, the water flows and the fun begins!

The best part: the spray parks are FREE.

### **Parkwood Pool Update**

The Parkwood Pool at 950 Quindaro Boulevard, Kansas City, Kansas will not open for the Summer 2021 season. The Unified Government is disappointed that we are unable to provide this community service. Unfortunately, it was very difficult to recruit lifeguards and other key staff when schools were closed and labor shortages are prevalent across the region.

The Unified Government Parks & Recreation will offer a lifeguard work study program for anyone age 16 or older and plans are in the works to offer swim classes (pending availability of staff). <u>Apply today</u> to earn your certification or hone your stroke so you are ready to join us in 2022 when we look forward to fully opening Parkwood Pool.

For information about our summer programs, please call 913-573-8327.