

# NEWSLETTER

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Edgerton Elementary is ready to welcome students back for the 2025-2026 school year!

## Back to School Season Begins: What Families Need to Know this August

August means one thing for many Edgerton families: it's time to head back to school. Let's make sure we all stay safe in this hectic season!

### *School Zone Safety Reminders*

With more students walking, biking, or riding to school, please slow down in designated school zones and obey crossing guard instructions. The Johnson County Sheriff's Office will be increasing enforcement near the elementary school to help keep everyone safe.

Help keep our kids safe by driving safely near school buses and in school zones. Remember it is illegal to pass a school bus that is stopped to load or unload children. If the yellow or red lights are flashing and the stop arm is extended, traffic must stop in both directions on all undivided roadways.

### *Watch for Fresh Improvements*

Public Works crews have been busy over the summer completing street maintenance projects and refreshing crosswalk paint near Edgerton Elementary. These improvements help ensure safer routes for kids on foot or bike. They are working to get the school zone signs programmed and ready for the new school year!

Heading back to school can be busy, but let's make it a safe and positive start to the new school year!

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The Greenspace  
At the heart of our community

## Parks and Recreation Programs in August

The end of summer is here, but there's still plenty of things to do this month!

- August 1: Dominoes & Summer Gym Jam
- August 5: Hunter Education Course
- August 6: Creative Kids Series
- August 7: Hunter Education Course
- August 8: Animal Wonders, Dominoes, & Back to School Glow Foam Party
- August 9: Hunter Education Course
- August 12: Tales for Tots
- August 15: Red Cross Blood Drive
- August 18: Crochet Bookmark Class
- August 20: Senior Cellphone Help & Senior Lunch and BINGO
- August 22: Star Wars and Stargazing & Dominoes
- August 23: Sunrise Yoga
- August 25: Crochet Bookmark Class
- August 26: Toddler Gym Jam & Salsa Workshop
- August 28: Cookies and Books: Summer Book Club
- August 29: Dominoes

To register for any of these programs, call The Greenspace at 913-893-6801



## 4 Ways you can find out what's happening in Edgerton!



**edgertonks.org**  
Go to the City's website for up to date info!



**Social Media**  
We're always sharing updates on Facebook at @cityofedgertonks



**Newsletter**  
Comes in the mail monthly with your utility bill!



**Notify JoCo**  
Sign up for emails, texts and phone calls for information that you need to know right now



## Edgerton Community Food Pantry

The Edgerton Community Food Pantry has moved! The Food Pantry is located at New City Church along Morgan Street/56 Hwy, just west of the Dollar General.

The food pantry is open from 10am-12pm on the third Saturday of every month. This month's food pantry is on August 16. Volunteers will load food in vehicles.

The food pantry is available to every family in the Gardner Edgerton USD 231 district. Food donations can be dropped off in the blue bin at City Hall. Monetary donations can be mailed to P.O. Box 95, Edgerton, KS 66021.

City Council

## Public Hearing on FY 2026 Budget and Revenue Neutral Rate to be held on August 28

The Edgerton City Council will host public hearings on Thursday, August 28th during their regular business meeting to review the proposed FY 2026 budget and to decide if the City will exceed the revenue neutral rate.

This is the public's opportunity to share their thoughts and opinions about the City's budget for the coming year. Council members had an opportunity in early July to review the budget before the scheduled public hearings later this month.

The proposed budget includes a 0.2% reduction in the mill rate to 29.602 while maintaining focus on core resident priorities including streets, facilities, law enforcement, and development. Since 2009, the City of Edgerton has lowered the mill rate by 14 mills.

This budget maintains funding for the popular H.O.M.E. Improvements Grant and Senior Property Tax Rebate Program, which directly help Edgerton residents without any additional administrative costs. Further, the FY 2026 budget continues funding for popular community events and new active recreation programming in The Greenspace to maintain our high quality of life. The budget also includes additional dollars for the America 250 celebration next summer.

The City Council meeting begins at 7:00 PM on August 28 at Edgerton City Hall, 404. E. Nelson St.



Public Works

### Project Updates - 2nd Street & Street Preservation Projects

Utility work is continuing on the 2nd Street Reconstruction Project this month. In the coming weeks, crews may start demolition of the roadway depending upon private utility relocations. Updates on the project can be found at [edgertonks.org/street-reconstruction](http://edgertonks.org/street-reconstruction).

Work begins on the annual street preservation program in the coming weeks. This year, the contractor will be removing and replacing curb throughout the city. The work should be complete by the end of the year, weather dependent. Updates can be found at the link below: [edgertonks.org/construction-projects](http://edgertonks.org/construction-projects)



Edgerton City Lake

## From FD#1: Electrical Safety Around Water

For many of us, water activities equal fun. But it's important to be aware of electrical hazards while enjoying the water. Know how to be safe around swimming pools, hot tubs, and spas.

Wet skin and wet surfaces can greatly increase the chance of electrocution when electricity is present. There are several signs of electrical shock. Swimmers may feel a tingling sensation, experience muscle cramps, or may feel as if something is holding them in place.

If you think someone in the water is being shocked, turn off all power, but do not go into the water. Use a fiberglass or other kind of rescue hook to help the swimmer. If you think you are being shocked, move away from the source and get out of the water. If you have any questions, contact Johnson County FD#1 at 913-764-7635.



- Do not swim during a thunderstorm.
- Electrical appliances, equipment, and cords should be kept at least 6 feet away from the water. When possible, use battery operated appliances and equipment, such as televisions, radios, and stereos.
- Avoid handling electrical devices when you are wet.
- Make sure that any overhead lines maintain the proper distance over a pool and other structures, such as a diving board. If unsure, contact a qualified electrician or your local utility company to make sure power lines are a safe distance away.
- Have a qualified electrician periodically inspect and— where necessary—replace or upgrade the electrical devices or equipment that keep your pool, spa, or hot tub electrically safe.

Edgerton Parks & Recreation presents

## Back-to-School Glow Foam Party

Friday, August 8 at 8:30 PM  
Martin Creek Park

### Back to School Glow Foam Party!

Celebrate the end of summer with Edgerton Parks and Recreation's Glow Foam Party on Friday, August 8 beginning at 8:30PM at Martin Creek Park.

Make sure to wear something you don't mind getting wet and be sure to bring a towel!

## August Events

Public Meetings are held in-person in City Hall. Anyone wishing to speak must sign up upon arrival. Meetings start at 7pm.

Want to get meeting agendas, parks and recreation info, or other City announcements emailed directly to you? Sign up at [edgertonks.org](http://edgertonks.org) or by calling City Hall at 913-893-6231.

- August 8 - Animal Wonders  
*The Greenspace*
- August 12 - Planning Commission Meeting  
*Edgerton City Hall*
- August 14 - City Council Meeting  
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- August 15 - Red Cross Blood Drive  
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- August 20- Senior Lunch & Bingo  
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- August 22 - Star Wars Bingo and Stargazing  
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- August 28- City Council Meeting  
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