



The Lancaster County Department of Parks and Recreation has been working diligently to continue to provide recreational opportunities to the public during the Coronavirus pandemic while also striving to ensure public safety and compliance with all current CDC and PA Dept. of Health COVID-19 mitigation regulations.

Following is an update on what visitors can currently expect in the County Parks:

Grounds and Trails

All Park grounds and trails continue to remain open and accessible.

Restroom facilities

All restroom facilities are closed for the season except for those at the Lancaster County Environmental Center which are open daily from 8 AM – Dusk. Port-a-johns are provided at select locations throughout Central and Buchmiller Parks

Pavilions

All outdoor pavilions are closed for the season. Pavilion #22 is available for rentals on a limited basis. Additional information can be obtained by contacting the Park Office at (717) 299-8215.

Swimming Pool

The County Swimming Pool is closed for the season.

Campgrounds

The Mill Creek Campground in Lancaster County Central Park is closed for the season.

Playgrounds

All Lancaster County Park playgrounds are open. As these facilities are not regularly sanitized and are used at your own risk, please encourage children to practice good hygiene including washing hands before and after use of play structures.

Athletic Facilities and Courts

The Central Park basketball courts, tennis courts and skate park are open. The Buchmiller Park pickleball courts are also open. Park ballfields are closed for the season.

Water

All drinking fountains in the Parks are closed. Outdoor spigots have been winterized.

Environmental Center and Programming

Park program staff is working to provide environmental education activities and programs that are exciting and interactive while also prioritizing public and staff safety. Please click the "Environmental Education" link on the left navigation bar of the Park website for more information.

Visitors are reminded of the following tips for COVID-19 etiquette when visiting parks:

1. Don't go to a park if you don't feel well.
2. Avoid crowded park areas and parking lots. Please don't create your own parking.
3. Maintain 6' distance from others while on park grounds and trails.
4. Wear a mask. Your mask helps protect me; my mask helps protect you.
5. Use soap and water or hand sanitizer to regularly wash your hands.
6. Follow carry-in, carry-out policies where necessary. Always carry-out and properly dispose of dog waste.

If you have any questions regarding the Lancaster County Parks, please contact us at (717) 299-8215 or parks@co.lancaster.pa.us.