

2026 Hutchins Parks and Recreation Survey



Hutchins needs your help to determine the future of our parks and recreation services. This survey is part of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. It should take about 10 minutes. Please return it in the enclosed prepaid envelope. Thank you for your input, and we appreciate your time.

1. How often have you or members of your household visited parks and recreation facilities in Hutchins over the PAST YEAR [See Question 2 for a list of township parks and facilities.]

- ☐ (1) 1 to 5 visits ☐ (3) 11 to 19 visits ☐ (5) Did not visit *[Skip to Question 4.]*
☐ (2) 6 to 10 visits ☐ (4) 20 or more visits

2. Please CHECK ALL parks and recreation facilities in Hutchins that you or household members visited in the PAST YEAR and rate their condition.

Park/Facility	Visited in the PAST YEAR?		How would you rate the condition?			
	Yes	No	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
1. Sunrise Creek Park	1	2	4	3	2	1
2. Campbell Park	1	2	4	3	2	1
3. Martin Luther King Jr. Park	1	2	4	3	2	1
4. Valley View Park	1	2	4	3	2	1

3. Which park or facility did you visit most often? [Select only one.]

- ☐ (1) Sunrise Creek Park ☐ (3) Martin Luther King Jr. Park
☐ (2) Campbell Park ☐ (4) Valley View Park

3a. What improvements would you like to see at this park? _____

4. How important is it for you to be able to walk to a park within 10 minutes from your home?

- ☐ (5) Extremely important ☐ (3) Moderately important ☐ (1) Not important at all
☐ (4) Very important ☐ (2) Slightly important

5. Please CHECK all support amenities you would like to see improved or added to Hutchins parks to enhance or extend your visits.

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| ☐ (01) Accessibility | ☐ (12) Security lighting |
| ☐ (02) Bike racks | ☐ (13) Sensory features |
| ☐ (03) Drinking fountains/bottle fillers | ☐ (14) Shade structures |
| ☐ (04) Educational signage | ☐ (15) Sidewalks |
| ☐ (05) Entrance signs | ☐ (16) Sport field/court lighting |
| ☐ (06) Grills | ☐ (17) Trail lighting |
| ☐ (07) Landscaping | ☐ (18) Trees |
| ☐ (08) Parking | ☐ (19) Water features |
| ☐ (09) Picnic tables/benches | ☐ (20) Wayfinding signage |
| ☐ (10) Public art | ☐ (21) Other: _____ |
| ☐ (11) Restrooms | ☐ (22) None of the above |

6. Why do you/members of your household visit parks or participate in recreation activities in Hutchins? [Check all that apply.]

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| ☐ (01) To be with family or friends | ☐ (07) To connect with members of the community |
| ☐ (02) To have a break from day-to-day stresses | ☐ (08) To have someone care for your children while you work |
| ☐ (03) To exercise or be physically fit | ☐ (09) To play or watch sports |
| ☐ (04) To be closer to nature | ☐ (10) None |
| ☐ (05) To experience excitement/adventure | ☐ (11) Other: _____ |
| ☐ (06) To learn a skill or craft | |

7. Please mark each of the following facilities you/members of your household used during the PAST YEAR or whether you want to use that facility in the future.

Park features (by Hutchins or by others)	Visited in the PAST YEAR?			
	Yes, In Hutchins	Yes, Outside of Hutchins	No, but we want to in the future	We're not interested
01. Amphitheater/outdoor stage	4	3	2	1
02. Basketball courts	4	3	2	1
03. Community gardens	4	3	2	1
04. Disc (or frisbee) golf courses	4	3	2	1
05. Dog parks (off-leash)	4	3	2	1
06. Fields - artificial turf	4	3	2	1
07. Fields - baseball/softball diamonds	4	3	2	1
08. Fields - multipurpose (soccer, lacrosse, football, etc.)	4	3	2	1
09. Fishing lakes/ponds	4	3	2	1
10. Fitness equipment (outdoor)	4	3	2	1
11. Meeting/party rooms (rental space)	4	3	2	1
12. Natural areas/nature parks	4	3	2	1
13. Nature center	4	3	2	1
14. Pickleball courts	4	3	2	1
15. Picnic shelters/picnic areas	4	3	2	1
16. Playgrounds	4	3	2	1
17. Pump track/bike park	4	3	2	1
18. Roller hockey rink	4	3	2	1
19. Senior center	4	3	2	1
20. Sensory/quiet space	4	3	2	1
21. Skateparks (skateboards/BMX, etc.)	4	3	2	1
22. Splash pads	4	3	2	1
23. Tennis courts	4	3	2	1
24. Trails - walking/biking (hard surface)	4	3	2	1
25. Trails - hiking (natural surface)	4	3	2	1
26. Trails - mountain biking (natural surface)	4	3	2	1
27. Volleyball courts (sand)	4	3	2	1
28. Walking/running track (indoor)	4	3	2	1
29. Other: _____	4	3	2	1

8. Which THREE features/facilities are MOST IMPORTANT to your household? [Write in your answers using the numbers from the list in Question 7, or circle "NONE."]

1st: _____ 2nd: _____ 3rd: _____ NONE

9. For your most important features and facilities, what kind of investment would you prefer Hutchins to make?

____(1) Upgrade or replace these facilities ____ (3) No change needed - facility is great as it is
 ____ (2) Expand or build additional facilities/locations

10. Which special events offered by Hutchins did you/members of your household attend during the PAST YEAR? [Check all that apply.]

____(01) Summer Reading Kick-Off & Ceremony ____ (07) Easter Egg Hunt
 ____ (02) Field Day ____ (08) Back to School BBQ
 ____ (03) Black History Month Art Gallery & Painting with a Twist ____ (09) Hispanic Heritage Performing Arts Month
 ____ (04) Fall Fest ____ (10) Christmas Parade & Tree Lighting
 ____ (05) National Night Out ____ (11) Did not attend any programs or special events [Skip to Question 11.]
 ____ (06) Keep Hutchins Beautiful

10a. How would you rate the quality of these special events?

____(4) Excellent ____ (3) Good ____ (2) Fair ____ (1) Poor

11. Please mark which programs/activities you/members of your household have participated in during the PAST YEAR or if you want to participate in the future.

Programs and activities (by Hutchins or by others)		Participated in the PAST YEAR?			
		Yes, in Hutchins	Yes, outside of Hutchins	No, but we want to in the future	We're not interested
01. Age 50-65 programs		4	3	2	1
02. Age 65+ programs		4	3	2	1
03. Before and after school programs		4	3	2	1
04. Concerts or performances		4	3	2	1
05. Esports (multiplayer video game competitions)		4	3	2	1
06. Festivals fairs or community events		4	3	2	1
07. Creative arts/drawing/painting		4	3	2	1
08. Fishing (including programs)		4	3	2	1
09. Fitness and wellness programs		4	3	2	1
10. Martial arts programs		4	3	2	1
11. Movies (outdoor)		4	3	2	1
12. Music programs/lessons		4	3	2	1
13. Nature programs		4	3	2	1
14. Performing arts/dance/theater		4	3	2	1
15. Pick-up sports		4	3	2	1
16. Preschool/early childhood programs		4	3	2	1
17. Runs/races		4	3	2	1
18. Sports leagues/teams		4	3	2	1
19. Sports lessons		4	3	2	1
20. STEM programs (robotics, coding, 3D modeling LEGOs, etc.)		4	3	2	1
21. Summer camp programs		4	3	2	1
22. Teen programs		4	3	2	1
23. Therapeutic/adaptive recreation		4	3	2	1
24. Other:		4	3	2	1

12. Which THREE activities are MOST IMPORTANT to your household? [Write in your answers using the numbers from the list in Question 11, or circle "NONE."]

1st: ____ 2nd: ____ 3rd: ____ NONE

13. For the programs and activities you use or would like to use, which age group is most important? [Check all that apply.]

____(1) Youth ____ (2) Adult ____ (3) Senior ____ (4) None

14. Which sports leagues would you like Hutchins to add or continue to offer for youth, adults, or both? Or indicate if you are not interested.

Sports	Youth	Adult	Both	Not interested
01. Baseball	4	3	2	1
02. Basketball	4	3	2	1
03. Cheerleading	4	3	2	1
04. Cross country	4	3	2	1
05. Field hockey	4	3	2	1
06. Football	4	3	2	1
07. Ice hockey	4	3	2	1
08. Lacrosse	4	3	2	1
09. Pickleball	4	3	2	1
10. Soccer	4	3	2	1
11. Softball	4	3	2	1
12. Swimming	4	3	2	1
13. Tennis	4	3	2	1
14. Track & field	4	3	2	1
15. Ultimate frisbee	4	3	2	1
16. Volleyball	4	3	2	1
17. Wrestling	4	3	2	1
18. Other: _____	4	3	2	1

15. Please CHECK ALL the ways you PREFER TO LEARN about parks and recreation facilities, programs, activities, or events.

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| ☐ (01) City office (visit or call) | ☐ (07) School communications |
| ☐ (02) Email notifications | ☐ (08) Social media - Facebook |
| ☐ (03) Newspaper-Online | ☐ (09) Social media - Instagram |
| ☐ (04) Park kiosk/bulletin board | ☐ (10) Social media - other: _____ |
| ☐ (05) Flyers/ banners | ☐ (11) Word of mouth |
| ☐ (06) City of Hutchins website | ☐ (12) Other: _____ |

16. Please check all the reasons that prevent you or members of your household from using parks and programs in Hutchins more often.

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| ☐ (01) Availability of parking | ☐ (12) Limited options for children |
| ☐ (02) Class/program full | ☐ (13) Locations not convenient |
| ☐ (03) Condition of facilities | ☐ (14) Not interested |
| ☐ (04) Lack of time | ☐ (15) Personal disability |
| ☐ (05) Do not know what is offered | ☐ (16) Poor customer service |
| ☐ (06) Facility unavailable | ☐ (17) Program not offered - Which program is needed? _____ |
| ☐ (07) Costs/fees | ☐ (18) Scheduling conflicts/hours of operation |
| ☐ (08) Lack of lighting | ☐ (19) Security or safety concerns |
| ☐ (09) Lack of shade | ☐ (20) Use other agencies' facilities - Why? _____ |
| ☐ (10) Lack of transportation | ☐ (21) None |
| ☐ (11) Lack or condition of restrooms | ☐ (22) Other: _____ |

17. What would encourage you and members of your household to take better advantage of parks and recreation offerings by Hutchins?

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| ☐ (01) Addition of desired programs | ☐ (09) Improved security |
| ☐ (02) Addition of shade features | ☐ (10) Improvement of existing facilities |
| ☐ (03) Additional hours/days of operation | ☐ (11) More convenient program locations |
| ☐ (04) Additional/improved seating | ☐ (12) More parking |
| ☐ (05) Better marketing/promotion | ☐ (13) More/improved restrooms |
| ☐ (06) Development of needed facilities | ☐ (14) New parks & facilities closer to home |
| ☐ (07) Improved accessibility | ☐ (15) Other: _____ |
| ☐ (08) Improved customer service by staff | |

18. Please indicate your level of support for actions Hutchins could take to improve parks and recreation.

		Very Supportive	Somewhat Supportive	Not Supportive	Not Sure
01.	Acquire property and build new parks	4	3	2	1
02.	Upgrade/expand playground equipment, including options for adults and all ability needs	4	3	2	1
03.	Provide places for cultural programs (e.g., theater, arts, dance)	4	3	2	1
04.	Add/improve support features (e.g., restrooms, seating, lighting, shade)	4	3	2	1
05.	Protect the city's natural areas and resources, including waterways wetlands and biodiversity	4	3	2	1
06.	Increase programming for Hutchins residents of all ages	4	3	2	1
07.	Utilize green development and sustainable practices in park projects	4	3	2	1
08.	Allocate resources equitably throughout the community	4	3	2	1
09.	Expand bike and pedestrian trails and connectivity throughout the city	4	3	2	1
10.	Upgrade/add outdoor sport courts (e.g., basketball, tennis, pickleball)	4	3	2	1
11.	Improve or expand access to sports fields	4	3	2	1
12.	Other: _____	4	3	2	1

19. If you had \$1,000, how would you spend it to improve parks and recreation in Hutchins? [Please be sure your total adds up to \$1,000 - Please use increments of \$100.]

\$ _____ New parks (including land acquisition)

\$ _____ Walking and biking trails and improved connectivity

\$ _____ Support features (seating, shade, lights, restrooms)

\$ _____ Outdoor park features (playgrounds, splash pads, skateparks)

\$ _____ Natural areas (gardens, habitat, open space)

\$ _____ Athletic fields (baseball, softball, soccer, football, lacrosse)

\$ _____ Courts (pickleball, tennis, basketball, volleyball)

\$ _____ More programs

\$ _____ Special events (concerts, festivals, movies)

\$ _____ Other: _____

\$ 1,000 TOTAL

Demographics

20. Counting yourself, what age groups are in your household?

____ (1) Under 9 years

____ (4) 20-24 years

____ (7) 45-64 years

____ (2) 10-14 years

____ (5) 25-34 years

____ (8) 65+ years

____ (3) 15-19 years

____ (6) 35-44 years

21. What is your annual household income?

____ (1) Less than \$50,000

____ (3) \$100,000 to \$149,999

____ (5) \$200,000 or more

____ (2) \$50,000 to \$99,999

____ (4) \$150,000 to \$199,999

____ (6) Choose not to respond

22. What is your race/ethnicity? (Optional)

____ (1) White (Non-Hispanic)

____ (5) Native American

____ (2) Hispanic or Latino

____ (6) Biracial or Multiracial

____ (3) Black or African American

____ (7) Other: _____

____ (4) Asian or Pacific Islander

____ (8) Choose not to respond

23. Do you or anyone in your household require accommodations or support to participate in programs, events, or access facilities?
____(1) Yes ____ (2) No
24. What can we provide to make our programs, facilities, or events more accessible and welcoming?

25. In what language do you prefer to receive communications about parks, open spaces, and recreational programming?
____(1) English ____ (2) Spanish ____ (3) Other _____

This concludes the survey. We appreciate your time!

Please return your completed survey in the enclosed return-reply envelope addressed to:
ETC Institute, 725 W. Frontier Circle, Olathe, KS 66061

Your responses will remain completely confidential. The information to the right will ONLY be used to help identify the level of need in your area. Thank you!