

Crimson Ridge
Neighborhood
UpdatesPool

Michaela Reynolds works tirelessly to keep the Crimson Ridge pool, clean, safe and inviting. Additionally, Michaela introduced the Pooch Plunge to Crimson Ridge. Thank you, Michaela, for an incredible 2023 pool season!

**POOL
CLOSED**
FOR THE SEASON

Crimson Ridge**Fall Activities**

Fall activities and schedules are currently being developed and will be announced when information is available.



A Compliance Service Request form has been added to payHOA.

<https://app.payhoa.com/app/forms>



Eatery Options Expand in Western Shawnee

Western Shawnee is experiencing an influx of new dining options. Stop by and dine at one or all of the following to show our support of new Shawnee businesses.

**Abelardo's Mexican Fresh**

Dine-In or carry-out authentic Mexican food and drinks. Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner options.
Address: 5650 Hedge Ln Terrace
<https://www.abelardosmexicanfood.com/>

**Buffalo Wild Wings GO**

Primarily carry-out wings, burgers, fries and more. 26 signature sauces and rubs.
Address: 6638 Monticello Rd.
<https://www.buffalowildwings.com/menu/>

**Flapjacks 'n more**

Dine-in for breakfast, brunch and lunch. Grab 'n go carry-out options available.
Address: 22716 Midland Dr.
<https://www.flapjacksnmore.com/>

**Gallagher's Coffeehouse**

Once known as the Country Club Café, this eatery has been reimagined into Gallagher's Coffeehouse. Breakfast and brunch available.
Address: 22742 Midland Dr.
<https://www.facebook.com/Gallaghergrinds>

**Smoothie King**

Multiple combinations of whole fruits, organic veggies and nutritional enhancers to create the perfect Smoothie.
Address: 22018 W 66th St
<https://www.smoothieking.com/>

**Tropical Smoothie Café**

Fresh, made-to-order smoothies, wraps, flatbreads and quesadillas
Address: 22233 W 66th St
<https://www.tropicalsmoothiecafe.com/>

**Twisted Sugar**

Scheduled to open October 7th. Cookies, custom sodas and ice cream twisters.

Address: 15810 Shawnee Mission Pkwy Ste. D
<https://twistedsugar.com/>

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Shawnee City Services

Shawnee Police Department

- Emergency: 911
- Non-Emergency: (913) 631-2150
- Lost Pet Voicemail: (913) 742-6098

9-1-1 and non-emergency lines are answered 24/7
9-1-1 includes TTY capabilities
<https://www.cityofshawnee.org/departments/police>

Shawnee Fire Department

- Emergency: 911
- Non-Emergency: (913) 631-1080

<https://www.cityofshawnee.org/departments/fire>

Citizen Service Requests

Shawnee partners with SeeClickFix to provide faster and more convenient options for citizens to submit service requests.

https://www.cityofshawnee.org/residents/citizen_service_requests

Parks & Recreation

The Parks and Recreation Department oversees more than 1010 acres of city parks, Shawnee Town 1929 Museum, the Civic Centre and the City's two state of the art aquatic facilities. We also offer over 500 classes, programs and special events for youth, adults and seniors.

https://www.cityofshawnee.org/Departments/Parks_Recreation

Additional City information can be found at
<https://www.cityofshawnee.org>



The Benefits and Risks of Working While in High School

Having a part-time job can be beneficial to teens, however, not every high school student is ready to join the work force.

In today's fast-paced environment, teenagers may be overwhelmed with academic expectations and extracurricular activities. The prevailing belief is that school should be a teenager's primary focus, but, overlooking the value of a part-time job might lead to missed opportunities for important growth experiences and skill-building outside of academics.

As a parent, assessing whether your teen is ready for a job is vital; and if your teen is already stressed out or struggling with school workloads, then a job may not be the best decision. Suggesting a trial basis may be an option to better assess how well your teen adjusts to additional responsibilities.

Let's explore some potential benefits and drawbacks of teenagers entering the job market.

Possible benefits of a part-time job:

- Communication and teamwork skills with individuals outside of home or school
- Coping and resolution skills
- Planning and time management skills
- Adaptability
- Learn the value of dollar and how to manage money
- Confidence or self-esteem booster
- Resume building and networking

Possible downsides of a part-time job:

- Increased stress
- Working more than 20 hours may cause a decline in academic performance and a student may have more absences from school
- Exposure to people or situations a teenager may not be ready for
- Feelings of lost childhood

The federal and state government has put restrictions in place to protect students from overworking and from dangerous jobs.

While working during the high school can help teach students responsibility and other important skills, parents and teachers can also help set students up for success. Some examples may be:

- Develop or tap into existing relationships with local stores or businesses that employ teenagers
- Help your teen set up weekly schedules to allow time needed for studying
- Encourage your teen to maintain a calendar to avoid overcommitment and scheduling conflicts

As long as the job is safe, legal, and leaves ample time for academics and extracurricular activities, working during high school can benefit students, parents, and the surrounding community.

Parent resources:

Kansas Department of Labor

<https://www.dol.ks.gov/-/child-labor-laws#:~:text=Employers%20must%20abide%20by%20workplace,a%20federal%20and%20state%20level>

U.S. Department of Labor – Child Labor

<https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/child-labor>



Important Reasons and Benefits of Furnace Maintenance & Tune-Up

There are multiple reasons why you may consider an annual furnace checkup as part of your fall maintenance routine.

A well-maintained furnace is likely more efficient and may use less energy, helping you save on energy bills. A programmable thermostat may help even more.

Routine maintenance may also minimize unforeseen furnace repairs and/or breakdowns. Maintenance could help with identifying or avoiding water leaks, unexpected and frequent shut-offs, carbon monoxide leaks, no warm air or unusually expensive energy bills.

Regularly changing the furnace air filter is critical to maintaining your indoor air

quality. Hard working air filters will lesson allergens but if you're seeing dust and debris build-up, it may be time for a service call.

Furnaces produce heat through burning fuel and it is imperative to ensure that the combustion process is working properly. A furnace problem could lead to a gas or carbon monoxide leak, both of which are extremely dangerous.

Carbon monoxide is colorless and odorless. High carbon monoxide levels can cause nausea, headaches, and in some cases, death.

Separate carbon monoxide testers throughout your home can provide extra safety for you and your family.

Many good-quality furnaces include a 10-year warranty option. Annual furnace maintenance will help catch potential safety risks, and give you peace of mind that your furnace is working properly and will help maintain the manufacturer's warranty.

The last thing anyone wants is to awake up to freezing cold temps inside your home or frozen water pipes because your furnace is broken. Knowing the condition of your furnace before the cold weather kicks in will save you all of that grief.

Schedule an annual furnace maintenance appointment to catch any potential safety risks, and to give yourself peace of mind that your furnace is working properly.

Unwelcome Solicitors



Unwanted solicitors? You have rights!

You've likely seen a solicitor advertising their business at your door.

If you don't want solicitors disrupting your time, you may receive a FREE "no soliciting" sticker, available at Shawnee City Hall or by calling 913-742-6014.

Solicitors must leave a residence or business when asked to leave, and they are not allowed to solicit outside the hours of 10AM - 7PM

If you feel someone is violating the City Ordinance for soliciting, please call our NON-EMERGENCY number at 913-631-2150 as soon as possible so an officer can investigate.

For additional information, please review Chapter 5.56 – Solicitors in the Shawnee municipal codes.

https://library.municode.com/ks/shawnee/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=CD_TIT5BULITARE_CH5.56SQ



ENCHANT Kansas City



The event is located at Legends Fields between November 24, 2023 and December 31, 2023.

Multiple ticket options are available for ENCHANT. Experience the magic!

<https://enchantchristmas.com/kansas-city-ks-legends-field/>



New to Kansas City, ENCHANT is an immersive, magical experience, perfect for joyful seasonal celebrations. Adventure through The Mischievous Elf, a captivating, light maze; The Village, tiny storefronts featuring artisan vendors, specialty crafters, and boutiques; Ice Skating Trail; Santa's Landing; Little Elves Play Place and so much more!