

SUMMER FUN ON A SHOE STRING!
LOW-COST OR FREE FAMILY & KID ACTIVITIES IN OR NEAR MARION COUNTY!

| Activity | Location/Address | Description | Cost | Contact #/Website |
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| <i>Celebrations & Events</i> | | | | |
| Chingawassa Days | Marion City Park | June 5-6 -- big 2-day event; rides; concerts; kid's activities; fun! | \$5 per person for a Saturday only pass | 620-382-3425 www.chingawassa.com |
| 2nd Annual Blue Grass at the Lake | Marion Co. Park & Lake – Beach Hill | June 20, 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Outdoor bluegrass concert. Bring lawn chairs or blankets. | Free | 620-382-3240 www.marioncountyparkandlake.com |
| Peabody July 4th Celebration | Peabody City Park | July 3-4 – flea market; car show; fireworks display; kids' activities; parade; food booths. | \$3 button | 620-983-2550 www.peabodyks.com |
| Marion County Fair | W. D St, Hillsboro KS | July 29 – August 1. Animal, 4-H, produce, art, handcrafts exhibits; demo derby, rodeos, shows, etc. | Free, except for arena events | 620-381-0109 www.marioncountyks.org |
| Prelude to Symphony in the Flint Hills | Florence, KS | June 12, 1-9 p.m. June 13, 9 a.m.–3 p.m. 7 bands, games, covered wagon rides, mountain man encampment, Indian Teepee, and more! | Free | 620-382-8830 http://www.marioncountyks.org/ |
| Kid's Day at Doyle Valley Farmer's Market | Peabody, KS | July 11, a.m. Tricycle rodeo, petting zoo, etc. Sponsored by PAT, Safe Kids, & PMSA. | Free | Call 620-947-4041 for times & specific locations. |
| <i>City Libraries</i> | | | | |
| Burns Public Library | 104 N. Washington, Burns | Summer reading program & activities; internet access. | Free | 620-726-5717 |
| Florence Library | 324 Main, Florence | Summer reading program; internet access. | Free | 620-878-4649 http://florenceks.com/text/city/city_library.htm |
| Goessel City Library | 101 S. Cedar, Goessel | Summer reading program; internet access | Free | 620-367-8440 http://skyways.lib.ks.us/library/goessel/index.html |
| Hillsboro Public Library | 120 E. Grand, Hillsboro | Summer reading program, activities & events; internet access | Free | 620-947-3827 http://hillsboro.mykansaslibrary.org/ |
| Marion City Library | 101 Library Street, Marion | Summer reading program, activities & events; internet access | Free | 620-382-2442 http://marion.mykansaslibrary.org/ |
| Peabody Library | 214 N. Walnut, Peabody | Summer reading program; internet access | Free | 620-983-2502 http://peabody.mykansaslibrary.org/ |

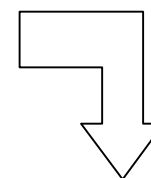
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| <i>Day Trips, Hiking, Fun</i> | | | | |
| Coronado Heights | 4200 Coronado Heights, north of Lindsborg, KS | Rugged, rocky hills; native stone picnic structures; hiking. | Free | None http://www.kansastravel.org/coronadoheights.htm |
| Tiny Trails & Cottonwood Miniature Horses | 1914 Quail Creek, Marion KS | By appointment, kids can lead a miniature horse on a trail | Call for rates | 620-382-3571 |
| Maxwell Game Preserve | 7 m north Canton, KS | Buffalo & elk herds, hiking, fishing, picnicking | Free | http://www.kansasbirdingtrails.com/cgi-in/site.cgi?site_number=74 |
| Dyck Arboretum of the Plains | 1777 W. Hickory, Hesston | Gardens; native grasses, pond, plants, & wildflowers. Visitor & education centers | Adults - \$2 Child - \$1 | 620-327-8127 http://www.dyckarboretum.org/ |
| Tall Grass Prairie National Preserve | 2 miles north of Strong City, KS on Hwy 177 | Historic native stone ranch home & buildings, hiking, wildflowers, visitor center. | Free or donation | 620-273-8494 http://www.nps.gov/tapr www.nature.org/kansas |
| <i>Farmer's Markets</i> | | | | |
| Boot & Fruit Sale | Liberty Park (downtown) in Marion, KS | Wednesdays, 5 – 7 p.m. | Items as priced | 620-382-3425 |
| Doyle Valley Farmer's Market | Santa Fe Park, Peabody KS | Saturday mornings. Locally grown produce & goods. | Items as priced | 620- 983-9234 www.peabodyks.com |
| Hillsboro Farmer's Market | Lawn of the Schaeffler House Museum, Grand & Washington Streets, Hillsboro KS | Local produce & products; food & beverage for sale. Every Thursday 5 – 7 p.m. | Items as priced | 620-947-0270 http://www.hillsboro-museums.com/Farmers-Market.html |
| <i>Museums</i> | | | | |
| Harvey House | 3 rd & Doyle, Florence | Open by appt or during events | Donation | http://florenceks.com/text/local/local_harvey_house.htm |
| Marion Historical Museum | 501 E. Main, Marion KS | Open daily May-Sept. Lots of old, interesting items. | Donation | 620-382-9134 http://www.marionks.com/museum.php |
| Mennonite Heritage Museum | 200 N. Poplar, Goessel KS | Tues – Sunday. Recreation of early Mennonite life. | Donation | 620-367-8200 http://skyways.lib.ks.us/museums/goessel/ |
| Peabody Historical Museum | 300 N. Walnut, Peabody KS | By appointment. Nat'l Registry of Historic Places | Donation | 620-983-2174 http://www.peabodyks.com/visitors.html |
| Mennonite Settlement Museum | 501 S. Ash, Hillsboro KS | Restored 1878 adobe house & grounds, windmill, displays. | Adults \$3 Children \$1 | (620) 947 3775 www.hillsboro-museums.com/Mennonite-Settlement-Museum.html |
| <i>Parks & Lakes</i> | | | | |
| Florence Grandview Park | S end Grandview Dr., Florence | Native limestone picnic shelter, play area. | Free | None http://www.florenceks.com/text/city/city_parks.htm |
| Hillsboro City Park | 802 S. Birch, Hillsboro | Picnic area, play equipment, near public golf course | Free | None www.hillsborokansas.com |

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| Marion Central Park | Main Street, Marion | Picnic areas, play equipment, hiking trail, creek & spring. | Free | None http://www.marionks.com/parksandrec_centralpark.php |
| Marion County Park & Lake | 3 m southeast of Marion | Fishing; all weather fishing dock; swim beach; water sports; picnic areas; camping; bird watching; wild flowers; showers/restrooms; hiking. | Free, except for camp permits | 620-382-3240 http://www.marioncountyparkandlake.com/ |
| Marion Reservoir | N of Hwy 56 between Marion & Hillsboro | Fishing; water sports; hiking; camping; showers/restrooms; swim beach; playgrounds; bird watching. | Free, except for camp permits | 620-382-2101 http://www.kdwp.state.ks.us/ |
| Peabody Park | Poplar & Division Streets, Peabody | Picnic areas, play equipment, near city pool & ball fields | Free | None http://www.peabodyks.com/parksandrec.html |
| <i>Sports & Recreation</i> | | | | |
| Florence Baseball Diamond | North end Barker St. | Bleachers, concessions, restroom. | Free | None www.florenceks.com |
| Goessel Ball Diamonds | N. Church & Kansas Ave. | Bleachers, concessions, restroom. | Free | None http://skyways.lib.ks.us/towns/Goessel/ |
| Hillsboro Sports Complex | Sports Complex Rd, Hillsboro | Baseball-softball complex | Determined by event | 620-947-3490 www.hillsborokansas.com |
| Marion Sports Complex | 308 Eisenhower, Marion | Baseball-softball complex | Determined by event | 620-382-3425 www.marionkansas.com |
| Peabody Ball Fields | South Locust, Peabody | Baseball-softball fields | Determined by event | None www.peabodykansas.com |
| Free Fishing Weekend! | All Kansas Public Waters | June 6 – 7. No fishing license required!! | Free | www.kdwp.state.ks.us |
| <i>Swimming Pools – Water Parks</i> | | | | |
| Marion Aquatics Center | 104 N. Thorp, Marion KS | All-weather swimming, swim team, Red Cross lessons, aerobics, lap swim, free outdoor spray & tot pool | 4 mo child pass - \$80 4 mo family pass - \$133.81 | 620-382-2384 http://www.usd408.com/NewGym.html |
| Peabody City Pool | 400 W. Division, Peabody | Outdoor pool; swim lessons; water aerobics; swim team; little swimmers' pool, etc. | Daily Rates: \$1.50 kids \$2 adults | 620-983-2801 www.peabodykansas.com |
| Florence City Pool | 720 Barker, Florence KS | Outdoor pool; swim lessons. Scholarships available. Opens Memorial Day! | Child pass - \$25 Family pass-\$60 \$2 day – adult \$1.50 day-child | 620-878-4400 http://florenceks.com/text/city/city_pool.htm |
| Hillsboro Aquatics Center | West D St, Hillsboro KS | Out door water park & pool, Red Cross lessons & swim team | Indiv. Season - \$50; Family Season - \$125 | 620-947-3750 http://www.hillsboro-museums.com/Hillsboro-Aquatic-Center.html |

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| <i>Vacation Bible Schools</i> | Various times & locations throughout Marion County | Free | Check your local church offices for information on Vacation Bible Schools in your community! |

Please note that financial assistance and/or scholarships may be available for activities that charge a fee. Contact CIS of Marion County at 620-947-3184 or linda.ogden@usd410.net to see if you qualify.

**Check out these summer camps!
Camp slots are limited in some cases.**



Summer Camps for Kids and Kids with Special Needs!!

| Name of Camp | Special Population | Website or Phone # | Camp Location |
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| Prairie View Summer Camp | Various | 620.947.3200 | Marion County, KS |
| Camp Encourage | Autism | www.campencourage.com | Kansas City, MO |
| Camp Hope | Cancer | http://www.cancer.org/docroot/COM/content/div_Heartland/COM_5_1x_Camp_Hope.asp | Topeka, KS |
| Children's Therapy Group | Various | www.childrenstherapygroup.org | Overland Park, KS |
| Horizon Academy | Various | www.horizon-academy.com | Roeland Park, KS |
| New Horizons | Various | http://www.jcprd.com/activities/class_listing.cfm?CategoryID=260 | Johnson County, KS |
| Sertoma Fantasy Sports Camp | Speech & Hearing | http://www.johnsoncountysertoma.com/fantasy-sports-camp.htm | Overland Park, KS |
| Communication Counts | Communication & Social Language Needs | www.communication-counts.com | Olathe, KS |
| Autism Concepts | Autism | http://autisum.concepts.com | Lenexa, KS |
| Kansas Jaycees' Cerebral Palsy Ranch | Cerebral Palsy | www.cpranch.org | El Dorado, KS |
| Camp Discovery | Diabetes | http://www.childrenwithdiabetes.com/camps/campdiscovery.htm | Junction City, KS |
| Camp Wood YMCA | Great for ALL Kids!! | www.campwood.org | Elmdale, KS |