

Coffey County OK Kids Event

September 5–7, 2025 @ John Redmond Reservoir

OK Kids (Outdoor Kansas for Kids) is a statewide program sponsored by the Kansas Wildscape Foundation and supported by local and national partners. The goal? Give kids a fun, hands-on way to enjoy and appreciate the great outdoors! Coffey County is proud to host a weekend packed with activities, food, and family fun.

Camping Details - Friday & Saturday at Riverside West Campgrounds

- Vehicles must remain at campsites unless leaving the campground.
 - All pets must be leashed and kept at campsites only.
- Bicycles are welcome but **not permitted in Riverside West after dark.**

Shuttle Service: Running from the parking lot to all event locations at Riverside West throughout the day.

Saturday, September 6th

7:30 AM – OK Kids Fun Run - Kick off the weekend with a run around New Strawn! Choose between a 1-mile or 5K route. Prizes for the top 3 finishers in each race. *Registration: 7:15 AM at New Strawn Community Center. Sponsored by Burlington Recreation*

7:45–9:15 AM – Pancake Breakfast - Enjoy a free breakfast provided by Radiant Life Church before the fishing tournament. *Location: New Strawn Community Center.*

9:00–11:00 AM – Fishing Tournament at New Strawn Lake - Catch-and-release event. Kids under 9 must be with a responsible adult. Bring your own fishing pole. *Registration: 8:15 AM. Worms will be provided (no outside bait or artificial lures). Sponsored by Coffey County Sheriff's Office, Kansas Wildlife & Parks, and Flint Hills National Wildlife Refuge.*

10:30–4:30 PM – Yard Games - Friendly competition for the whole family.

11:00–4:30 PM – Bubbles, Sidewalk Chalk & Changing Stations - Sensory fun for little ones, sponsored by Coffey County Mothers of Preschoolers.

11:30–12:30 PM – Free Lunch - Hot dogs and chips courtesy of Coffey Health System. *Location: Shelter House #6.*

1:00–4:30 PM – Riverside West Activities

- Canoeing – Supervised by Coffey County Water Rescue (lifejackets are provided)
- Axe Throwing – Family-friendly with safe, rubber/plastic axes (Sponsored by The Axe Shedd)
- Putt Putt & Library Fun – Crafts, outdoor play, and games from all 6 Coffey County Library branches
- Pellet Shoot – Test your aim!
- US Fish & Wildlife Service Outreach Trailer
- Face Painting – Courtesy of BHS & BMS National Art Honor Society
- Tie-Dye T-Shirts – Make your own OK Kids shirt
- Dunk Tank – Aim, throw, splash!
- Pedal Cars – Race your friends
- Archery – Beginner-friendly target shooting
- Paintball Shoot – Equipment provided by CC Sheriff Reserves
- Inflatables – Including All-Star Dunk Contest & Soccer Darts for older participants
- Slingshot Target Shooting – Hosted by Burlington Police & Flint Hills National Wildlife Refuge
- Firefighter Obstacle & Agility Course – Test your skills with the Coffey County Fire Department

2:00–3:00 PM – Snow Cones - Cool off with the Burlington High School Cheerleaders. *Shelter House #6.*

4:45–5:30 PM – Science Heroes – “Adventure of the Missing Color” – Join Science Heroes on their mission to turn science into an adventure.

5:30–7:00 PM – Free BBQ Supper - Provided by the Coffey County Sheriff's Office. *Shelter House #6.*

Prize Drawing – Numerous prizes will be available with two lucky winners will choose between a lifetime Kansas Hunting or Fishing License! Kids must be present to win.

Hayrack Rides – Enjoy the evening (no bikes on roads after dark).

Outdoor Movie & Popcorn - At Dusk - Bring a lawn chair or blanket for a kid friendly family movie. Sponsored by Burlington Recreation Commission & Coffey County Fire District #1.

Sunday, September 7th

7:00–9:30 AM – Free Breakfast For all campers and participants, sponsored by Coffey County Fire District #1. *Shelter House #6.*