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Clay County Food & Pool Safety Excellence Award Winners

LIBERTY, Mo. – June 10, 2022 – Clay County Public Health Center is proud to announce the recipients of the Food Safety Excellence and Pool Quality of Excellence Awards for outstanding efforts in 2021.

“We are grateful for the hard work these establishments put in last year to not only meet but exceed the health department’s high standards of safety,” said Robert Gilliland, section chief of Environmental Health Protection. “We appreciate their partnership with us to protect the public from foodborne illnesses, waterborne illnesses and other hazards.”

Food Safety Excellence Award

This award recognizes food establishments that continue to successfully follow the Clay County Food Code, exhibit outstanding food safety and sanitation practices, and achieve exceptional inspection results during the calendar year. In order to qualify for the award, they must meet multiple criteria such as having been open and operating for the full year with no repeated violations, no follow-up inspections needed, and no confirmed cases of foodborne illnesses.

In 2021, the Environmental Health Protection section of Clay County Public Health Center conducted 1,350 routine food establishment inspections, 176 temporary food event inspections and investigated 106 food-related complaints. This year’s winners represent the top 11% of establishments overseen by Clay County Public Health Center.

The full list of Food Safety Excellence Award winners can be viewed [here](#).

Pool Quality of Excellence Award

This award recognizes facilities that continue to successfully follow the Clay County Rules and Regulations for Pools/Spas, exhibiting pool quality and safety practices and achieving exceptional inspection results during the calendar year. In order to qualify for the award, multiple criteria must be met such as having been open and operating the full year with no repeated violations, no follow-up inspections needed, all necessary pool operator/manager certifications, no confirmed cases of waterborne illnesses, no imminent risk or safety violations, and Virginia Gram Baker (VGB) compliant.

In 2021, the Environmental Health Protection Section of Clay County Public Health Center conducted 406 routine recreational water inspections. Facilities qualifying for the 2021 Pool Quality of Excellence Award represent 29% of Clay County- regulated recreational water facilities.

The full list of Pool Quality of Excellence Award winners can be viewed [here](#).

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About Clay County Public Health Center

Created in 1953, the Clay County Public Health Center is a nationally accredited local public health department protecting the health of all people in the county by implementing population-based prevention programs and services. This community approach to wellness not only prevents the spread of disease but also provides wellness education to empower people to make healthy choices. To learn more, visit www.clayhealth.com/.

The mission of the Clay County Public Health Center is to deliver the essential public health services of prevention, promotion, and protection to the communities of Clay County.

Food Safety Excellence Awards

Alexander Doniphan Elementary - Liberty
Antioch Middle School - Gladstone
Burger King - Kearney
Burger King - NKC
***Burlington Head Start - NKC**
Camp Branch Marina - Smithville
Captain's Corner - Smithville
Casey's #2678 - Kearney
***Chapel Hill Elementary School - Gladstone**
***Children's Learning Center - NKC**
Chops BBQ - Smithville
Clay-Ray Veterans Association - Excelsior Springs
Cornerstone Coffee - Smithville
Culver's - Liberty
Discovery Middle School - Liberty
Dogwood Elementary - Kearney
Double A Co Op - Smithville
***Eileen's Colossal Cookies - Liberty**
***EPIC Elementary - Liberty**
***Fair Share Farm - Kearney**
Franklin Elementary - Liberty
Fresh Ideas Coffee Shop - Liberty
Guardian Angels Care Center - Kearney
***Hand in Hand - Kearney**
***Horizon Elementary - Smithville**
Jimmy John's - Kearney
Kearney Early Ed. Center - Kearney
Kearney Elementary - Kearney
Kearney High School - Kearney
Kearney Middle School - Kearney
Kearney Senior Center - Kearney
La Petite - Gladstone
Lamar's Donuts #12 - Liberty
***Lewis and Clark Elementary - Liberty**
Lewis Elementary - Excelsior Springs
Liberty Family Child Care - Liberty
Liberty Middle School - Liberty
Liberty Montessori Center - Liberty
Liberty North Senior High - Liberty

Lillian Schumacher Elementary - Liberty
Linden West Elementary - Gladstone
Local Seasons Catering & Events - NKC
Manor Hill Elementary School - Liberty
Maple Elementary School - Smithville
Meadowbrook Elementary - Gladstone
Missouri City School – Missouri City
Nellie's Sweet Shoppe - Smithville
NKC High School Cafeteria - NKC
Oakwood Manor Elementary - Gladstone
Paisley Perk - Kearney
Pizza Hut #034977 - Kearney
Pizza Shoppe - Smithville
Post Coffee Company - NKC
Price Chopper - Meat - Smithville
Price Chopper - Produce/Salad Bar - Smithville
Price Chopper #120 (Bakery) - Liberty
Price Chopper #404 (Bakery) - Kearney
Price Chopper #404 (Deli) - Kearney
Price Chopper #404 (Meat/seafood/produce)
Ridgeview Elementary School - Liberty
***Seasons Express - NKC**
Smithville Eagle Heights - Smithville
Sonic Drive-In - Liberty
Sonic Drive-In of Smithville #4144 - Smithville
South Valley Middle School - Liberty
Southview Elementary - Kearney
St James Catholic School - Liberty
St. Luke's Northland - Smithville
Starbucks (in HyVee) - Liberty
Subway (18-0005) - Liberty
Subway (07-0071) - Randolph
Subway - Claycomo
The Brewery - NKC
The Corner Bar - Liberty
Ventana Gourmet Grill/Bakery – Excelsior Springs
Walmart #1120 Bakery - Gladstone
Walmart #1120 Deli - Gladstone
Whole Harvest - NKC

***Gold Standard:** *These establishments/facilities have earned the excellence award 3 or more years in a row.*



Pool Quality of Excellence Awards

Indoor Pool Yearly

- Gladstone Community Center Competition Pool - Gladstone
- Gladstone Community Center Diving Pool - Gladstone
- Gladstone Community Center Leisure Pool - Gladstone
- ***Liberty Community Center Pool - Liberty**
- North Kansas City YMCA - NKC
- One North Aloft/Element Hotel - NKC

Indoor Spa Yearly

- North Kansas City YMCA spa - NKC
- The Elms Hotel and Spa (grotto) - Excelsior Springs
- ***NKCH Therapy Pool - NKC**
- ***NKCH Wellness - NKC**

Outdoor Wading Pool

- Elks Lodge # 1001 Excelsior Springs
- Harbor Lake Pool Smithville
- Liberty Community Center Wading Pool - Liberty
- Rollins Landing Pool Wading Wool - Smithville

Sprayground Seasonal

- Dagg Park NKC

Outdoor Pool Seasonal

- Broadway Village Apartments - Gladstone
- ***Cherokee Village - Liberty**
- Clay Meadows HOA pool - Liberty
- Claymont Pointe HOA - Gladstone
- Claywoods HOA - Liberty
- Copper Ridge Living - Liberty
- Elks Lodge # 1001 - Excelsior Springs
- Harbor Lake Pool - Smithville
- Harborview HOA - Smithville
- Homestead Development - Liberty
- Inn on Crescent Lake Pool - Excelsior Springs
- Jamestowne Village Pool - Kearney
- Meadowbrook Townhouse - Gladstone
- Meadows at Greenfield Pool Association - Kearney
- Gladstone Municipal Pool - Gladstone
- Rollins Landing Pool - Smithville
- Shadowbrook HOA - Kearney
- Stonebrooke Estates HOA - Gladstone
- Village Garden Apartments - Claycomo
- Withersfield HOA - Liberty

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