



# Three Rivers

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To ensure an enjoyable visit, share this information with your entire group  
2007 Guidelines for Hyland Lake Reserve – Picnic Areas

**Hyland Lake Reserve** With more than 1,000 acres of mature woodlands and a breathtaking prairie, it is hard to believe Hyland Lake Park Reserve is located in the heart of Bloomington. Six major bodies of water and several smaller ponds and wetlands provide extensive habitat for waterfowl. Miles of paved trails draw hikers and bikers, and the popular creative play area is alive throughout the summer with the delighted energy of youngsters.

**Reservation Picnic Areas** We recommend you visit the park well before your event date to explore the options you have to choose from. Your picnic area will be ready for occupancy by your group at 9a.m.; any reserved equipment will be on the site at that time.

- **Edgewood (Jan's Place)** Capacity 100 (40 inside building/60 outside); includes 2 large mini-grills. If you are roasting a pig, you must provide your own grill. 18 picnic tables (3 inside/15 outside), electricity, and water are available. This site is heated and can be reserved year-round. There is a long counter with a refrigerator in the building. **One inflatable allowed.**  
Opening the building: The combination for the locked post is located on your Permit. Upon arrival, look for the locked post at the entrance door. Open the lock post by turning the padlock numbers to the combination noted on your Permit. Push the bottom of the padlock UP, then pull DOWN and it will release. By opening the post top, you may obtain the key which will unlock the door. Return the key to the post and turn the padlock numbers to re-lock.
- **Islandview** Capacity 100, non-sheltered; includes a large mini-grill, 2 family-sized grills and 16 picnic tables, water is available (hand pump). If you are roasting a pig, you must provide your own grill. Sand volleyball court on site. **One inflatable allowed.**
- **Sunnyside** Capacity 150 sheltered; includes 2 family-sized grills and a large mini-grill. If you are roasting a pig, you must provide your own grill. Electricity, 20 picnic tables, a medium-sized (L48'xW23'xH23") stainless-steel cooling tank built in, a drinking fountain and water are also available. **One inflatable allowed.**
- **Woodcrest** Capacity 200, non-sheltered area; includes a large mini grill, 2 family-sized grills and 32 picnic tables; has water (hand pump). If you are roasting a pig, you must provide your own grill. **One inflatable allowed.**

**Water and toilet buildings are available mid-May through October 1, weather permitting.**

#### Fees

<b>Edgewood (Jan's Place)</b>	Monday – Sunday and Holidays	\$ 240
<b>Islandview</b>	Monday – Sunday and Holidays	\$ 120
<b>Sunnyside</b>	Monday – Sunday and Holidays	\$ 240
<b>Woodcrest</b>	Monday – Sunday and Holidays	\$ 120

**Reservation and Payment** At the time of the reservation, payment is due in full. Payment can be made by MasterCard, Visa or Discover. Payment may be made by cash or check if received at the Park District Reservations Office at the time of the reservation.

**Cancellation Policy** If a cancellation is made *60 days prior* to the use date, 50% of the fee will be refunded. All cancellations *after 60 days* are non-refundable. No refunds are given due to weather conditions unless the park or facility is officially closed due to severe, life-threatening weather.

**Permit** The Permit entitles your group to “exclusive use” of the area noted on the permit during the time indicated. It does not include use of any reserved parking area for picnic activity or exclusive use of any beach area. Please make sure you have your permit with you when arriving at the park. If you have further questions, please call 763.559.6700.

**User fees** Fees apply for boat launches, pet exercise areas, horseback riding and archery. For each of these activities, the permit fees are \$30 for an annual permit, \$15 for each additional permit in the same family, or \$5 for a daily pass. Annual permits can be purchased at Visitor Centers, online at [www.ThreeRiversParkDistrict.org](http://www.ThreeRiversParkDistrict.org), or by calling Three Rivers Park District Administrative Center at 763.559.9000. Daily permits can be purchased at drop boxes on-site.

**Alcohol Policy** Beer and wine are permitted in individual containers. Kegs, boxed wine, or bulk containers are not allowed. No hard liquor is allowed.

**Catering in the Parks** If you choose to have your event catered, you must select a caterer from the Three Rivers Park District Approved Catering List. For questions, or a copy of the Park District Approved Catering List please contact Jenn Strehler, Group Sales Coordinator, at 763.694.7631 or [Jstrehler@ThreeRiversParkDistrict.org](mailto:Jstrehler@ThreeRiversParkDistrict.org).

**Music/Amplification** Live bands and DJs are only allowed at the following park locations and must remain within Park District Ordinances: Cleary Pavilion, Elm Creek Chalet, Fish Lake Pavilion, Gale Woods Farm, Historic Murphy’s Landing, Hyland Chalet and Lake Rebecca.

**Parking Information** Parking is free for all personal/family vehicles in all Three Rivers Parks. Boats are required to park in the boat launch parking area, and boat lines are common on weekends. Please inform group members who are bringing boats to the park to arrive early.

**Pets in the Park** Pets are allowed at group camp areas; however, pets are not allowed in picnic areas, beach areas or play areas. Designated trails are provided for walking with pets. A trail map is available at [www.ThreeRiversParkDistrict.org](http://www.ThreeRiversParkDistrict.org). Pets must be attended at all times and on a maximum of a 6-foot leash.

**Signs and Banners** Temporary signs on independent laths may be located within the park. Banners or signs may not be tied, taped or otherwise affixed to or across trees, signs or other post-type structures. All signs and banners must be removed at the end of your stay.

**Special Equipment, Inflatable’s and/or Amusement Contraptions** Special permission is needed at least 14 days prior to your reservation before your group can bring in special equipment, inflatable’s or contraptions to the picnic site. A \$25 per item fee is charged and there is a limit to the number of items each site can support. All items must be noted on your Permit. It shall be unlawful to bring in, set up, construct, or operate any amusement or entertainment contraption, device or gadget without a permit.

- Canopies are allowed if groups are reserving a picnic site. If you are planning to set up a canopy, permission must appear on your Permit, and it must be set up within the staking area. All equipment and canopies must be put up and removed within the reservation time frame.
- To avoid underground cables and wires, DO NOT set-up equipment or canopies until you have contacted the Park Supervisor for placement. Your group is responsible for moving tables under the canopy.
- **A Certificate of Insurance naming the Park District as an additional insured is required to be on file in the Reservations Office before Special Equipment, Inflatable’s and or Amusement Contraptions can be brought into the park.**

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## Site Clean-up and Recycling

- Your reservation fee includes normal site maintenance. If your group causes extraordinary maintenance service, your group will be charged at an hourly rate to cover labor costs. Your group is responsible to generally pick up the site at the conclusion of your event.
- If there is damage to your site, the group will be assessed fees to cover the cost of the damages and labor for repairs. Please be sure your group members are aware of this policy.
- There are no garbage cans on your Reservation Site. Dumpsters are located in the parking lot near the reservation picnic area. Please provide your own garbage bags to transport garbage from your site to the dumpsters.
- Coals must be disposed of in a proper manner in the concrete receptacles provided.
- Each reservation picnic area has recycling receptacles for beverage cans and plastic bottles. Please recycle.
- The caterer or Reservation Group must take grease out of the park. Do not pour on the ground or in garbage containers.
- Balloons are especially dangerous to wildlife. Please clean up any items such as balloon fragments or eggs that are used for games and decoration.

## Park Amenities

**Richardson Nature Center** Located in the center of Hyland Lake Park Reserve, the nature center has many interpretive displays a wildlife feeding station/viewing area. There are more than three miles of nature trails through woodlands and a restored tall-grass prairie.

**Creative Play Area** Located just to the north of the visitor center, Hyland's award-winning 16,000-square-foot creative play area is equipped with various components for climbing and sliding. There also is a 1,500-square-foot accessible play area with sliding, swinging and climbing equipment designed to accommodate children less than 5 years of age.

**Fishing** An accessible fishing pier is located on Hyland Lake for shore fishing.

**Boat Rentals** Boat rentals are available on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and holidays throughout the summer and daily from mid-June to mid-August. Visitors can rent paddleboats, rowboats, kayaks and canoes from the rental building near the beach. Equipment rental fees vary from \$2 to \$7 per half hour or per hour, depending on the equipment. Group rates during weekdays are available if pre-arranged. Call the visitor center at 763.694.7687 to arrange for the group rate. Picture I.D. required.

**Boat Launch** Parking for boat trailers is limited to 10 spaces, so plan to arrive early if bringing a boat. Only electric trolling motors are allowed on Hyland Lake – no gas motors. User fees apply for all boat trailers parking in the designated launch area. Boat parking is monitored and if the maximum number of watercraft have launched, additional boats are not allowed into the park until one leaves. All boaters are required to remove all weeds before entering or leaving Hyland Lake to avoid the spread of noxious weeds. Weed receptacles are provided by the boat launch.

**Paved bike/Hike Trail (5.6 miles)** Hyland's 10-foot-wide paved trails are newly constructed. They are not associated with any existing roadway system. Three loops extend north from the southern boundary of the park through rolling hills, scenic meadows and woodlands to the southern edge of the nature center trails. The trails connect to the neighborhood east of the park via a bridge, or over the railroad track to Bush Lake Park on the west, and through a tunnel on the north side.

**Turf Hiking Trail (7.4 miles)** In addition to the paved trail, turf hiking trails include the nature center trails in the north, the pet trail loop in the center of the park reserve, and a trail around Hyland Lake near the visitor center.

**Paved Hiking/Bike/Dog Trail (3 miles)** Hyland has a new addition of a regional trail which borders the east side of the park. This trail begins on the northwest side of the park and ends at the southwest side of the park.

**Visitor Center and Concessions Area** A year-round recreation facility provides rentals, concessions, and public restrooms. There is a large comfortable meeting room that is available for reservations or open to the public during the summer. Hours may vary by day and season. Call Hyland Lake Park Reserve directly at 763.694.7687 for the most current information and hours.

**Rental Equipment** Volleyballs, nets, horseshoes and other recreation equipment are available to rent on a first-come, first-served basis and may be picked up at the Rental Building or Concession Area when the Rental Building is not open. Picture I.D. required.

**Wildlife** We ask that you respect the wildlife found in the park and that you do not attempt to feed or catch them.

**Group Opportunities** The Park District provides fun and interactive group opportunities led by experienced staff for all ages and ability levels. We offer nature, recreation and cultural history activities, crafts and games. Some programs bring along live animals to further enrich your experience. Call 763.694.7641 for assistance.

**Accessibility Statement** Most Park District facilities and parks are accessible to people using wheelchairs and are able to accommodate people with other disabilities. Persons with disabilities are encouraged to contact Park District Park Guest Services at 763.559.6700 for more information on the accessibility of specific facilities within individual parks.

**Weather Conditions** Be aware of changing weather conditions while visiting the park. In case of severe weather, seek shelter or go to a low-lying area away from trees. Guests are expected to be aware of these conditions and the proper procedures for severe weather.

**In Accordance with Park District Ordinance:**

It is unlawful to: disturb any natural feature (including plants and animals for treasure or scavenger hunt); solicit, sell or otherwise peddle any goods, wares, merchandise, service, liquids or edibles in the park. All members of a group must be 18 years or older or have a parent or guardian on site at all times during the reservation.

**Any permit or reservation may be revoked upon violation by the permittee of any ordinance, rule or regulation of the Park District. Furthermore, the permittee may be charged with a misdemeanor for which a sentence of not more than 90 days or a fine of not more than \$700 or both may be imposed. Complete ordinance available at: [www.ThreeRiversParkDistrict.org](http://www.ThreeRiversParkDistrict.org)**

**For Your Safety** Park District Police are on duty to provide assistance to Park Guests and to protect the natural resources. If you need their assistance, contact a park employee or call 911 and ask for Three Rivers Park District police. A pay phone is available at the Visitor Center.

**Further Assistance** If you have any questions about your reservation; please call the Park District Reservations Office: 763.559.6700 or the Hyland Lake Operations Supervisor at 763.694.7687 for site information or special permission relating to site use.

**Directions to the Park** Hyland Lake Reserve is located on East Bush Lake Road in Bloomington. From I-494, go south on East Bush Lake Road (County Road 28). Follow East Bush Lake Road to Richardson Nature Center and Hyland Visitor Center. Hyland Ski and Snowboard Area is located south of Chalet Road.

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