



# City of Lawrence

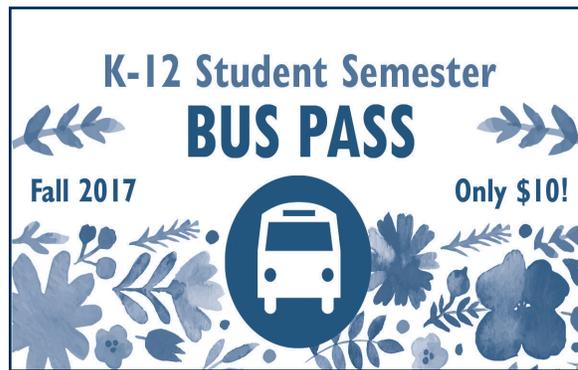
## The Flame | September 2017

“We Have Tomorrow — Bright Before Us, Like A Flame.”

*Langston Hughes*

### Lawrence Transit offers savings to K-12 students all year

Along with a new backpack and school supplies, many K-12 students will have a bus pass on their list of items to pick up before school begins. Lawrence Transit is pleased to announce a new lower priced bus pass that will allow more students to have easier access to transportation throughout the year.



For only \$10, the student semester bus pass is good for unlimited rides for four months. Passes will be offered for fall (Sept-Dec), spring (Jan-Apr), and summer (May-Aug). The fall pass is available for purchase starting Aug. 14 at City Hall, Dillons, Hy-Vee, The Merc, and Parks & Recreation facilities.

“Transportation to and from school and after-school activities poses challenges for many families. In some cases, those challenges affect students’ attendance or their participation in activities they would like to try,” said Anna Stubblefield, USD 497’s interim superintendent. “The student semester bus pass is a great option for families looking for affordable, safe, and reliable transportation.”

Lawrence Transit has offered a student summer bus pass for the last five years. Each year, the program has grown, as more and more students discover how the bus can help them with their transportation needs. Robert Nugent, transit administrator, said expanding that program throughout the school year is a great way to introduce transit to a whole new generation of people.

“Riding the bus is a great way to save money, help the environment, and become less dependent on parents for getting to and from school and activities,” Nugent said. “We have lots of resources available to assist first-time riders, including a real-time app that shows when the next bus is coming.”

For more information, please visit [www.lawrencetransit.org](http://www.lawrencetransit.org) or call (785) 864-4644.

### Q & A with Derek Rogers Parks and Recreation Director



Hometown: Lawrence, Kan.

Education: B.A. Environmental Studies – Kansas University

Family: Wife – Debbie; Son – Jake; Daughter – Piper

Pets: Dogs – Cisco, Ellie; Macaw – Jodi; Community Dogs – Lilo & Luna

First music concert: Cheap Trick at Allen Field House, April 12, 1980

Favorite music artist/group: Rolling Stones

Hobbies: Snowboarding, cycling, weightlifting, jet skiing, flying

First memory of participation in LPRD activities: Rec Baseball in 3rd grade

On Saturday morning you can find me: At Hy-Vee meeting with the Douglas County Amateur Radio Club

Favorite Park in Lawrence: Centennial Park. All the memories made there growing up in Lawrence. My favorite part was the water balloon fights after the last day of school at West Jr. High.

Your view of the Parks and Recreation profession and industry and its role within the community: The Parks and Recreation profession is key to providing space and ability to inspire people to lead engaged, healthy lifestyles.

The greatest challenge you will be faced with as director: Sustainment of the current and future Parks and Recreation Department assets and programs. Maintaining the level of service citizens expect from our department, delivered most efficiently and effectively.



## Lawrence Listens

Lawrence Listens is the city's online forum for civic engagement! City officials will read your input and incorporate it into the decision process: [www.lawrenceks.org/lawrence-listens](http://www.lawrenceks.org/lawrence-listens)

The next survey will be September 5 through 19 for citizens to provide input on a route to close the gap on the Lawrence Loop: [www.lawrenceks.org/loop](http://www.lawrenceks.org/loop)

The Lawrence Loop is a project that, when completed, will provide a continuous 22 mile trail around the city limits.

Help complete the loop!

### How to Participate:

- 1 Visit [www.lawrenceks.org/lawrence-listens](http://www.lawrenceks.org/lawrence-listens).
- 2 Click on "Sign In" to create your account.
- 3 Look over questions and click on "Go to the topic" for the one you'd like to answer.
- 4 Click on the "Post" button to provide your response.
- 5 Once you provided your answer, press "Submit".

## What Does it Mean to be a Good Neighbor?

Whether you're new to Lawrence or lived here your entire life, the city offers residents a few tips for keeping Lawrence a great place to live, work and play.

**Roommates** - No more than three unrelated persons can reside in one dwelling unit in a neighborhood zoned single family. For properties located in multi-family districts, up to four unrelated individuals can reside in one dwelling unit.



**Noise** - Music should not be heard outside of your house. It is illegal to play music from a vehicle that can be heard from 50-feet away.

**Parking** - Do not park on lawns or sidewalks. Vehicles parked on streets must be moved every 48-hours.



**Pets** - Animals should not disturb the peace. When not in a fenced yard, animals should be under the owner's supervision and on a leash when off their owner's property to prevent creating a hazard or disturbance to people animals and property. On both public and private property, you are responsible for removing your pet's excrement.

Lawrence has two off-leash dog parks: Mutt Run is located at 1330 East 902, below the Clinton Lake dam. The facility includes drinking fountains, water for dogs, and rest rooms. Paths are mowed through fields and along wooded areas. The other dog park is located at Riverfront Park, at the intersection of North Second St. and Highways 24 and 40.

**Bikes** - Never park your bike where it can get in another person's way. If you park in an alley, make sure doesn't block stairs or doors. It is illegal to lock your bike to a tree, fire hydrant, street sign, stop sign or streetlight. A parking meter is acceptable unless it is in front of a handicapped parking spot.



**Obey the rules of the road:** follow the rules of the road and obey all traffic laws. Bicyclists are subject to all the same duties that are applicable to drivers. Always use hand signals to draw the driver's attention.

**Outdoor Furniture** - Upholstered furniture (couches, upholstered chairs, mattresses) is not allowed on outdoor balconies, porches and decks. Furniture designed for and sold as outdoor furniture is OK. Upholstered furniture in outdoor spaces can create a fire hazard and impede emergency responders' access to a home when necessary.

For more information, visit [www.lawrenceks.org/good\\_neighbor](http://www.lawrenceks.org/good_neighbor).

## Construction Information

Stay up-to-date with current city construction projects by following the city on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/CityOfLawrence/](http://www.facebook.com/CityOfLawrence/) or Twitter: [www.twitter.com/lawrenceks](http://www.twitter.com/lawrenceks)

More construction information, resources and a current road construction map are available on the City's website at: [www.lawrenceks.org/construction](http://www.lawrenceks.org/construction)



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