



## Frequently Asked Questions

### Where is the Pioneers Park Nature Center located?

The Nature Center is located on the west end of Pioneers Park. The Nature Center is 668 acres of prairie, woodland, and wetland habitats. There are trails, two interpretive centers, outdoor animal exhibits, gardens, and a natural play area all within the Nature Center. Also located within the Nature Center is the historic Hudson Cabin, one room Heritage School, and an Education Building all of which are used for classes and programs throughout the year.

### Are trail maps available?

Yes, maps are posted at the kiosks near the Nature Center parking lot and in our buildings. The trail map can also be found at, [parks.lincoln.ne.gov](https://parks.lincoln.ne.gov) (search: Pioneers Park Nature Center).

### When is the Nature Center open?

The Nature Center Prairie Building is open 9 am - 4 pm Monday - Saturday and 12 - 4 pm on Sunday. Please check times posted at kiosks or on gates for trail hours. Non-gated trails are open sunrise to sunset. The Nature Center buildings and trails are closed on holidays observed by the City of Lincoln.

### Can I reserve a picnic shelter?

The Nature Center does not oversee reservations for Pioneers Park picnic areas or shelters. Please visit [parks.lincoln.ne.gov](https://parks.lincoln.ne.gov) (search: reservations) for more information.

### Can I reserve space at the Nature Center for an event or program?

Information about auditorium rentals and birthday parties are available at [parks.lincoln.ne.gov](https://parks.lincoln.ne.gov) (search: Pioneers Park Nature Center). Inquiries, please contact the Nature Center directly, 402-441-7895.

### Are dogs or other pets allowed at the Nature Center?

Pets are not allowed on trails or in buildings at the Nature Center. Dogs (or other pets) can disturb both wild animals and the animals in educational exhibits. Dogs (or other pets) may also disturb other members of the public.

### Are there bike trails at the Nature Center?

Bikes are not allowed within the Pioneers Park Nature Center gated trails or prairie trails. Bike racks are available in our parking lot for visitors to secure their bike while walking on our trails.

### Can I collect or pick items at the Nature Center?

No, natural items found within the Nature Center should not be removed from the Nature Center. Please, no picking of flowers, grasses, fruit, seeds, etc. The Nature Center is a wildlife preserve and all natural items should be left on site to support and conserve the natural habitats.

### Where can the bison be viewed?

During the fall and winter the bison are typically located in the field on the north side of the road, west of the Prairie Building. In the spring the bison are moved to a pasture in the southwest section of the Nature Center. The best viewing through the summer is usually along our lowland prairie trail.