Kewanee Park District

Photography Contest Guidelines 2025-26

The photo contest is open to all photographers, youth to adult.

Entry Deadline: 11:59 p.m., Nov 1, 2025.

Participants may enter up to two (2) entries. Photos do not need to be from 2025. All photos must be taken at a Kewanee Park District site and/or during a Kewanee Park District program. Please visit "Our Parks" on the Park District Site to see all of our locations.

- Sports
- Wildlife (Deer, birds, butterflies, etc.)
- Nature/Landscapes (Flowers, sunsets, ponds, buildings, etc.)
- People at Play/Recreation

Email entries to casandra@kewaneeparkdistrict.org

- Max 5MB, jpeg/jpg format. Common printable size (please no panoramas).
- No major digital enhancements or alterations.
- Please do not include watermarks, date stamps, borders, writing or quotes.
- The email should include the following information:
 - 1. Photographer's name, address, phone, and email
 - 2. Description and title of each submitted photo
 - 3. Park/program and date (if known) of each photo
 - 4. Signed photo release.
 - o If you are entering any photos containing recognizable people (photos showing faces), the photo submission must be accompanied by a signed photo release form. DO NOT submit recognizable photos of strangers. A form must be signed by each adult in the photo and permission granted by a parent or guardian for any child pictured. A photocopy of the form must be emailed with other entry information to casandra@kewaneeparkdistrict.org or dropped off at the Park District Office located at 1095 Cambridge Rd, Kewanee IL 61443.

- Photos must be your own and not taken by somebody other than you. Your submission of the entry is your guarantee that you are the author, sole owner and copyright holder of the photo.
- Judging and Awards:
 - Photos will be anonymously reviewed by The Kewanee Park Board members and will be judged on content, image quality, composition, creativity and storytelling.
 - Winners will receive a canvas copy of their winning photo, upon completion of its display at a Kewanee Park District site (after next year's winners are announced).
- By entering this contest, each entrant agrees to allow the Kewanee Park
 District to use their photograph and/or name in any Park
 District publication, advertisement, or merchandise without further notice or
 compensation. The Kewanee Park District may publish or use any
 submitted photograph at their sole discretion, giving credit to the
 photographer where possible. The entrant still retains the right to use and
 publish their photograph. The Kewanee Park District reserves the right to
 reject any photograph if it is deemed as containing objectionable or
 questionable content.
- All entrants will receive an email acknowledging and verifying their entry. If you do not receive a verification email within two weeks of your entry, please call Casandra at (309) 852-2872.

Selected photos from those 18 years or older, will be entered into the IAPD/iParks "Give Us Your Best Shot" Photo Contest for the 2025 season and will require a signed waiver for each contestant.