

Dallas Park

1303 Dallas-Cherryville Hwy., Dallas

This 90-acre park includes some of the most unique amenities in the Gaston County park system. The park has equestrian facilities including a horse arena with riding ring, show control building, concession building, and 5 barns with stalls for 124 horses. For anglers, there are three fishing lakes. Six lighted tennis courts are available for public and league use.



A four-field softball/baseball complex is available for public and tournament use and park users can also take advantage of a one-mile walking trail and playground equipment. For concerts and community events, an amphitheater with a lovely view of one of the lakes is offered. The park is a popular destination for picnics, with two large and two small lakeside picnic shelters.

History buffs will want to visit the historic village, which includes a 19th century barn, house, and school house. The village also includes a period chapel and blacksmith shop. One permanent exhibit in the park is an operational 1900 single-stand, continental cotton gin. The cotton gin roars to life during Cotton Ginning Days, an annual festival held the second weekend of each October.



Bessemer City Park

1316 Crowders Mountain Rd., Bessemer City

Located in the western part of Gaston County, This 38-acre park is adjacent to Bessemer City Middle School. The park has three softball-baseball fields, one full size baseball field and one soccer-football field, two picnic shelters, and a playground.



North Belmont Park

3110 Hickory Grove Rd., Gastonia

This 33-acre park is located in the northeastern part of Gaston County. The park has two soccer fields, a lighted walking track, and two softball-baseball fields, a nature trail, playground, and three picnic shelters



Tryon Park

2851 Tryon Courthouse Rd., Bessemer City

Tryon Park is located in the western area of Gaston County, near Cherryville. The park consists of 40 acres and includes 4 baseball fields, one softball field, and one soccer field, a lighted walking track, two picnic shelters, and a playground.

South Fork River Park

4185 Mountain View St., Gastonia

This 44-acre park sits along the South Fork river with 800 feet of river frontage, an access area for canoeing and kayaking, picnic tables, and one mile of natural surface trails for walking and running.



George Poston Park

1101 Lowell-Spencer Mt. Rd., Gastonia

George Poston Park is the County's largest park at 328 acres. The property for the park was a gift from the late Edith Poston, given in memory of her late husband, George Poston. Mr. Poston used the park land for recreation pursuits and Mrs. Poston wanted people to always enjoy the beauty of the property.

The park currently includes four soccer fields, four softball/baseball fields, 24 lighted horseshoe courts, and two playgrounds, 12-acre lake with a fishing pier, one small and one large picnic shelters, an off-leash dog park, and a sand volleyball court.

We also have 8 miles of single track mountain bike trails. Recently added a paved greenway on the South Fork River side of the park.



Future plans include: park office, conference center, hiking and equestrian trails, and canoe access to the South Fork river.



Gaston County Parks & Recreation



It Starts in Parks

School Parks

School Parks serve a vital role in the Gaston County park system by providing convenient facilities for our citizens. Gaston County has 11 school parks at the following locations:

Hershal H. Beam Elementary

200 Davis Park Rd., Gastonia

- Soccer/Football Field
- Lighted Walking Track

W.A. Bess Elementary

4340 Beaty Rd., Gastonia

- Baseball, Soccer/Football Fields
- Lighted Walking Track

Catawba Heights Elementary

101 Ivey St., Belmont

- Baseball Field

Chapel Grove Elementary

5210 Lewis Rd., Gastonia

- Baseball, Soccer/Football Fields

Cramerton Middle School

601 Cramer Mt. Rd. Cramerton

- Baseball, Softball, Soccer/Football Fields

East Gaston High School

1744 Lane Rd., Mount Holly

- Baseball, Softball Fields
- 8 Tennis Courts

Forestview High School

5545 Union Rd., Gastonia

- Baseball, Softball Fields

New Hope Elementary

137 Stowe Rd., Gastonia

- Baseball, Soccer/Football Fields
- Lighted Walking Track
- Nature Trail

Pinewood Elementary

1925 N. Main St., Mount Holly

- Soccer/Football Field
- Lighted Walking Track

Robinson Elementary

3122 Union Rd., Gastonia

- Baseball, Soccer/Football Fields
- Lighted Walking Track

Pearl Henderson Park

5620 Union Rd, Gastonia

Pearl Henderson Park includes a baseball field and two soccer fields.



Camp Sertoma

135 Camp Sertoma Rd., Dallas

Camp Sertoma is a special use park located in Dallas. The 10-acre facility features a screened-in lodge with a large kitchen. Primitive camping cabins are available for groups. The Park also has nature trails, outdoor picnic tables and a gazebo. The entire park is used by reservation only.



Lewis Brooks Air Field

Abel Rd., Bessemer City

Radio-controlled flying enthusiasts have this 55-acre park in the western part of Gaston County to enjoy their sport. The park features a paved runway for airplanes to take off and additional space for planes to fly safely. Entrance to the park is controlled; please call the department for additional information.

