

Park & Recreation Commission Item

March 24, 2026



Item	Easter Egg Candy Hunt Preview
Item No:	H.2
Agenda Section	<u>REPORTS</u>
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SUGGESTED ACTION

SUMMARY

The City of Chanhassen's Annual Easter Egg Candy Hunt is held each year at City Center Park and typically draws between 500-700 kids and their families. The 2026 hunt will be held on Saturday, April 4, at 9 a.m. (Wave 1) and 10 a.m. (Wave 2). Kids ages 12 & under will hunt for candy and eggs in four different age categories: 2 & under, 3-4, 5-7, and 8-12. Each participant will receive a bag for gathering candy and eggs and will have the opportunity to find special eggs that are redeemable for prizes. Participants will also be able to take a photo with the Easter Bunny.

New this year is the special "2 & under" age category, where parents can mindfully assist their toddlers in collecting candy and eggs. The addition of this category is based on parent & guardian feedback that having a calmer, more spread out area for their little ones to hunt would be appreciated.

This event will be located on the fields north of City Hall, the Library, and Civic Campus construction fencing. This is the same location the event has run in prior years, but the event space will be shifted slightly north.

Tickets are \$6/child; accompanying adults are free. Online pre-registration is strongly encouraged for participants and the day of registration will be available at the event. Special thanks to the Chanhassen Fire Department and the Chanhassen, Chaska, and Eden Prairie High School Key Clubs for supporting and volunteering at this event. Thanks also to event sponsors kiddywampus, Mitch Velgersdyk State Farm Agency, Bach to Rock, Kiddie Academy of Chanhassen, Backed Chiropractic, Sora Therapy, O2B Kids, Mathnasium of Chanhassen West, Xcel Energy, and T-Fiber for donating prizes, supplies, and activities to this year's event.

The Easter Coloring Contest is running now through Sunday, April 5. Entry forms are available online

at chanhassenmn.gov/easter, at Chanhassen City Hall, and at the Chanhassen Recreation Center. Kids ages 0-12 can submit their entry in those same places as well, or bring them to the Easter Egg Candy Hunt. Prize baskets, generously donated by community event sponsor kiddywampus in Chanhassen, will be awarded to winners by age category, age 3 & under through age 12. Participation in the coloring contest is free.

BACKGROUND

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