

MARCH 2025

BUTLER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT

BUTLER PPD'S MISSION IS TO PROVIDE SAFE, LOW COST, RELIABLE, EXCELLENT ELECTRIC SERVICE TO OUR CUSTOMERS AND BE ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN THE AREAS THAT WE SERVE.

The deadline for load control changes, without penalty is

Friday, April 4, 2025.

Please contact us prior to if you need to make changes.

If you contact us after, you may be penalized.

- Multi-Party and Text Message Agreements are due in our office Friday, April 4th.
- Horsepower Start-up bills are due on May 31st.
- You will receive monthly billings June through October, ONLY if there is usage. If your balance is under \$10, you may carry it over until the next billing.
- Final Irrigation Billing is due November 30th.
- Only Butler PPD Personnel are authorized to open and/or bypass load control devices. If any equipment has been tampered with, the account holder will be penalized!

IF WE FIND A SYSTEM NOT WIRED CORRECTLY & UNSAFE, WE WILL CONTACT THE STATE ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR AND YOU COULD BE DISCONNECTED UNTIL THE INSPECTOR HAS GIVEN US THE APPROVAL TO RE-ENERGIZE.

PLEASE CONTACT US IF ANY CHANGES ARE MADE.

Setting Personal Poles

As of February 1st, 2025, Butler Public Power District will no longer be setting any customer owned poles.



Our insurance company has informed us they will only cover BPPD employees on poles owned by the District.

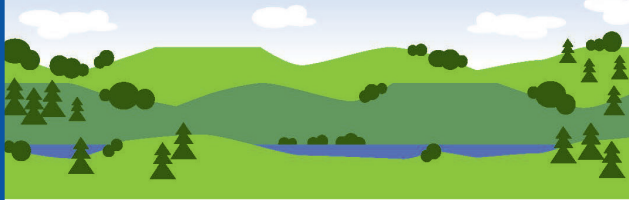
Customer owned poles are any poles after the meter. This may include poles purchased from us but used for your side of the service.

We like helping our customers out, but due to liability we had to make the tough decision. If you need a personal pole changed you will need to call your electrician.

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NEBRASKA RURAL ELECTRIC YOUTH ENERGY LEADERSHIP CAMP



July 21-25, 2025

High school students, grades 9 - 11
Camp Comeca, Cozad, Neb.

If you are currently in 9th, 10th or 11th grade and interested in applying for this all-expense paid camp, contact Amanda at Butler Public Power District. (402) 367-3081 or atopil@butlerppd.com

WIN A FREE TRIP TO WASHINGTON, D.C.

Three campers will be selected to serve as Nebraska's Ambassadors to the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association's Rural Electric Youth Tour in 2025.

NO, IT'S NOT JUST ANOTHER CAMP

I bet right now you are thinking that this is the zillionth camp flyer you have seen and that this camp is just like all the rest. It costs a bunch, you won't know anyone there, it's going to be awkward, and you won't get anything out of going, except maybe a sunburn.

THINK AGAIN!

It's free, you are going to make life-long friends, and learn about the electric industry through interesting workshops, fascinating demonstrations and presentations by regional experts addressing the many issues affecting the rural electric program. There's also swimming, sports, a banquet and a dance. A tour to the Gerald Gentleman Power Station and the Kingsley Hydro-Electric Power Plant provide for a first-hand look at the process of generating electricity.

So don't delay...apply today!

WHY SHOULD I ATTEND?

Now that you know this isn't just another camp, you may be asking yourself, "should I go?"

- You should if you have:
- Leadership potential
 - An awesome personality
 - A strong academic record
 - An interest in meeting new people



Know What to Do in an Accident

Did you not get one of these cards at the Ag Expo or do you need another? Please stop by our office and pick one up.

They are made to fit in your insurance card holder, so you always have one in your vehicle "just in case".

KNOW WHAT TO DO if you are in an Auto Accident with Power Lines

If the car you are in hits a utility pole, your vehicle and the surrounding area can become energized. Even if you do not touch lines or equipment, you can still be killed or seriously injured!



1 Do **NOT** leave the car!

Do not leave the car and warn others to stay away.



2 Call 911

Call 911 to have the utility notified. Be sure the first responders do not come near the car until the utility company verifies it is safe!



3 Stay in the car


Stay in the car until a utility professional has told you it is safe to exit.

The only reason to leave the vehicle before the utility professional arrives is if it is on fire. If this is the case, jump clear of the vehicle with your feet together and without touching the car and the ground at the same time. Continue to shuffle away with your feet together without lifting them off the ground. Get as far away as you can.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY TIP OF THE MONTH

March is an ideal time to service your home cooling system, ensuring it runs efficiently when the heat of summer arrives. Routine maintenance, like cleaning or replacing filters, checking refrigerant levels and inspecting parts, can improve your system's energy efficiency and lower your energy bills. By addressing potential issues early, you can avoid costly emergency repairs and extend the lifespan of your unit. Scheduling service in the spring helps you beat the peak-season rush, giving you faster access to qualified technicians. A well-maintained cooling system can save energy and keep your home comfortable all summer long.






Spring Cleaning for Efficiency


Replace Dirty Air Filters.

By replacing dirty air filters, it improves your air flow and the efficiency of your home's heating and cooling system. Replacing dirty air filters could potentially save you 7.5% on your monthly cooling bill.




Dust Electronics

By dusting electronics and other electrical items, you increase their efficiency and lifespan. When purchasing new electronics, find those that have a sleep mode or power management feature to help with energy costs.




Check Light Fixtures

Check your light fixtures to be sure you are using energy efficient LED bulbs. LED bulbs use 25% less energy than incandescent bulbs. They also last longer, are brighter, and are also cooler to the touch.



Schedule an HVAC tune-up

Spring is an excellent time to schedule an inspection of your homes heating and cooling system. By having your central air conditioner or heat pump inspected, you qualify for a \$30 rebate.






UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION

Info



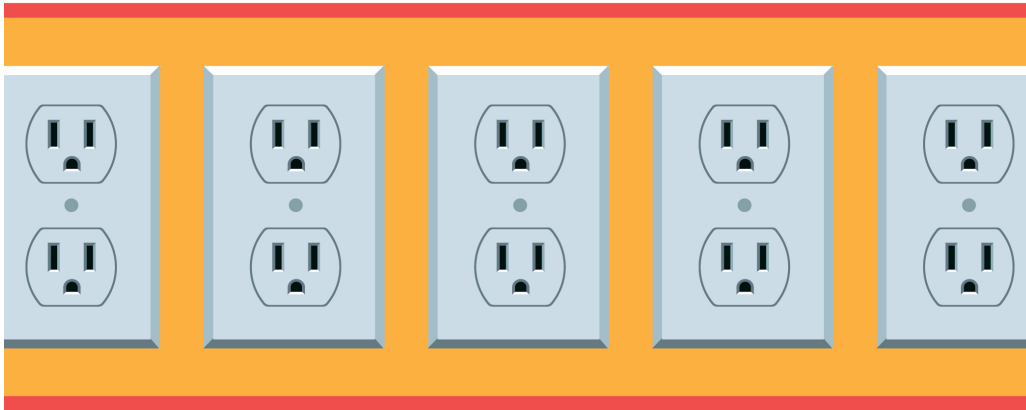
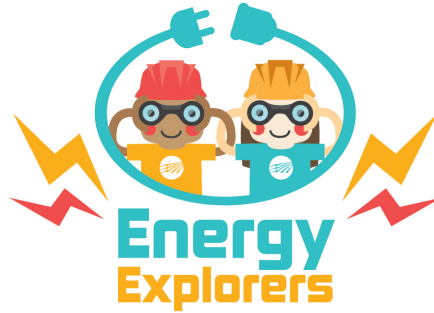
Have you changed phone numbers? Do you no longer have a landline phone number? Do you have a new e-mail address?

By keeping your contact information with us current, we can keep you informed of planned outages, contact you regarding billing questions, and you can easily have online access to your account information.

ELECTRONICS EFFICIENCY FILL-IN-THE-BLANK

You can help save energy at home by using electronic devices more efficiently. Read the energy-saving tips below and fill in the blanks with the correct word that completes the efficiency tip.

Psst! Check your work in the answer key below.



1. Use a(n) _____ with an on/off switch when powering multiple electronics to easily manage energy use.
A. power strip B. extension cord C. remote control
2. For devices that require _____, use rechargeable ones, which are more cost-effective and environmentally friendly.
A. power cords B. lights C. batteries
3. Unplug electronic devices that consume energy even when they're not in use, like _____.
A. lamps B. ceiling fans C. phone chargers
4. Use the sleep or power management mode on your _____ to save on energy costs.
A. computer B. refrigerator C. oven

Answer Key
1 A 2 C 3 C 4 A

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March Events



- March 8th - Butler County Health Foundation Benefit Dinner & Auction - Event Center, David City
- March 24th - BCHS History Comes Alive - Event Center, David City

If you have an upcoming event that you would like listed, please let Amanda know.

*To avoid deadlines, please contact her two months prior to the event.
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