

Youth Education

The Holy Trinity 5th graders recently visited the Cedar-Knox Public Power District warehouse and office. The kids were able to see a demonstration on electricity, view a video on electrical safety, and examine some of the trucks and equipment used in the industry.

Cedar-Knox PPD employee, Matt Sudbeck met with freshman students at Cedar Catholic High School and Hartington-Newcastle Public High School to discuss what should be done in the case of an accident involving power lines. With these students just beginning to drive, it was great opportunity to get this information to them and answer any questions they had.

CKPPD welcomes any opportunity to educate students and organizations on electrical safety and more about our industry on a day-to-day basis. If your class or group would like to tour our facilities or view a demo, please call the office at (402) 254-6291 for more information.



Nathan Rutar shows students how to use a hot line tool.



Tom Potts gives a safety demonstration.

WHAT TO LOOK FOR AFTER A STORM

When the skies clear and the birds sing, know that the storm's fury could have created electrical hazards that you may or may not be able to see. **NEVER GO NEAR** downed power lines or other damaged electrical equipment to assess damage or clean up the area. **STAY AWAY** and call Cedar-Knox PPD at **402-254-6291**. Power lines and other electrical equipment do not have to be sparking, arcing (giving off a flame) or on fire to be energized. Energized power lines can cause severe bodily injury and have the potential to be fatal.

Conditions to call and report to us are:

- Outages
- Downed Power Lines
- Split, broken, or leaning utility poles
- Drooping or sagging lines (never try to move one)

Please remember to always call and not assume we already know or someone would have called on your behalf. Occasionally, it could be that you are the only one affected. We want to be able to take care of any issues as soon as possible to minimize any outage time or inconvenience to you. Thank you.

DID YOU KNOW?

In the spring and summer months, set your ceiling fans to turn in the counter clockwise direction. This will create a cool breeze. Remember, ceiling fans cool people, not rooms. Be sure to turn them off when you leave the room to be more energy efficient. Source: energystar.gov



Incentive Programs



COOLING SYSTEM TUNE-UP PROGRAM

When was the last time you had your home's cooling system tuned up? If it has been a few years, now is the time to have your heating and cooling contractor inspect, service and clean it. Typically, tune-ups on cooling systems that have been neglected for a few years can provide energy savings of 5-15% or more. In addition, the unit can perform better from a comfort and equipment longevity standpoint.

There is a \$30 EnergyWise incentive available to homeowners who have their cooling system tuned-up by an HVAC contractor, regardless of what type or age of cooling system it is (air conditioner, air or water source heat pump).

The application includes a checklist of key components your contractor should inspect as well as items for discussion, such as: filter replacement schedule, proper temperature set-back practices, and an understanding of the general condition of the system. The application can be found online at <https://cedarknoxppd.energywisenebraska.com/residential/>, select Cooling System Tune-Up and then click Apply.

COMMERCIAL HVAC

HVAC systems are the primary energy consumers in most commercial buildings. Improving the performance of your HVAC system not only saves energy, but can have a positive impact on your building occupants' health, comfort, and productivity as well.

Eligible Equipment is as follows:

Equipment Type	Size (tons)	Minimum Cooling Efficiency	Minimum Heating Efficiency	Incentive
Air Conditioner	<20	15.0 SEER or 14 IEER	n/a	\$15/ton
Air Conditioner – Variable Capacity	<20	*	*	\$30/ton
Air Source Heat Pump	<20	14.0 SEER or 12.2 IEER	8.5 HSPF or 3.3 COP	\$40/ton
Air Source Heat Pump	<20	15.0 SEER or 14 IEER	8.5 HSPR or 3.3 COP	\$80/ton
Air Source Heat Pump – Variable Capacity	<20	*	*	\$100/ton
Water Source Heat Pump	Any	**	**	\$100/ton
Geothermal Heat Pump (ground source or open loop)	Any	**	**	\$220/ton

*provide documentation that shows manufacturer, model number and that states the equipment is "inverter driven".
 **Any efficiency rating qualifies on water-to-air or water-to-water units.

Be sure to contact your HVAC installer on what unit will best serve your needs. You can also find more information at <https://cedarknoxppd.energywisenebraska.com/business/>.

If you have any questions regarding these or any of our other EnergyWise programs, please give us a call at 402-254-6291.



National Automotive Service Professionals Day

is observed annually on June 12th. We would like to recognize our mechanic, **Lynn "Ed" Kalin**. Ed is responsible for keeping our fleet of trucks and vehicles on the road each day. Thank you, Ed!



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Irrigation Hotline and After Hours Phone System

Irrigation Hotline Number is **402-254-6322** to check the daily control status message that is recorded with any control hour information we have received.

For after hours issues, please call **402-254-6291** or **800-891-5196** and press option 3 to talk to the irrigation load control program operator on call. They can help you with your irrigation radio control.

