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General Information

- Deadline for articles to be submitted to the newsletter is the 20th of each month.
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Library Hours

Monday	4:00—8:00 pm
Wednesday	8:00 am—1:00 pm
Friday	9:00 am—2:00 pm
Saturday	8:00 am—12:00pm
Director—Gretchen Bookout	
Phone:	(620) 367-8440
E-Mail:	goeslib@mtelco.net

UPCOMING:

- ⇒ Dog Licenses purchased after 8/1/2025 now have a penalty. The cost for a tag after the 8/1/2025 due date is now \$6 for a spayed/neutered animal, \$18 for an unsplayed female, and \$10.50 for an unneutered male. If tags are not purchased by 9/1/2025 a notice to appear in municipal court will be served.
- ⇒ Threshing Days July 13st & August 1st
- ⇒ Revenue Neutral Rate & Budget Hearing August 31st.



Blood Drive
Goessel Community
Goessel Church - Fellowship Hall
109 S. Church

Monday, August 3
1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

To schedule your appointment, visit
RedCrossBlood.org | enter code: GoesselKS



Come to give blood in August for a \$20 Amazon Gift Card by email. Terms: rcblood.org/August.



[90] - Order ID: 1974087 - Item ID: 10194199 - Qty: 1 of 1 - 387920 - 2026-APL-0233 - AR02 - 255983

1-800-RED CROSS | RedCrossBlood.org | Download the Blood Donor App

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The monthly meeting of the **Goessel Goal Getters 4-H** club was held on July 6, 2026 at 7:00pm in the Goessel High School library. The roll call question was, "What is your favorite sport?". There were 22 members, 7 parents, 4 leaders and 0 guests for a total of 33 people present. Announcements were made about signing up for the concession stand and the new Farmscapes project at the fair this year. Recreation was led by Jayce. Project talks were given by Alexis, Brayden and Callie. The next meeting will be held on Monday, August 3 at 7 pm.

Written by reporter,
Eleanor Unrau



GHS100

Join classmates, alumni, former staff, families, and friends as we celebrate 100 years of Goessel High School!

Friday, October 16, 2026

TAILGATE & FOOTBALL GAME

Goessel Bluebirds vs Cunningham Wildcats
Place: Goessel High School Football Field
Time: 6:00 pm Meal 7:00 pm Football Game
Meal and concessions available; fundraiser for the Goessel Alumni



SPECIAL EXHIBIT

Built to Last: Woodworking at the Prep School
A special exhibit featuring GH's woodworking projects
Place: Mennonite Heritage & Agricultural Museum
200 W Poplar, Goessel, KS
Time: Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Saturday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm



SATURDAY, October 17, 2026

MORNING EVENTS

Pancake Breakfast served by Goessel FFA
Place: Goessel High School
Time: 7:00 - 10:00 am



Ski Run
Place: Goessel High School
Time: 8:00 am



Goessel High School Tours
Place: Goessel High School
Time: 9:00 am and 10:30 am



Bluebird Coffee, Conversation & Memories
Place: Goessel High School
Time: 9:00 am - noon



Bluebird Voices: Preserving 100 years of GHS Memories
Recording Oral History
Place: Goessel High School
Time: 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00 am



Car Cruise
Place: The Stab
216 E Main, Goessel, KS
Time: 9:00 - 11:00 am



Golf Tournament
Place: Pine Edge Golf Course
448 130th St, Newton KS
Time: 9:00 am



Grilled Hamburgers/Brats
Place: Goessel Grocery & Deli
216 E Main, Goessel, KS



SATURDAY, October 17, 2026

EVENING EVENTS

Serving homemade Bierock meal from the GHS cooks!



Place: Goessel High School Cafeteria and Jr HI Gymnasium
Time: 5:00 - 6:30 pm



Bluebird Centennial Celebration Program

Place: Goessel High School Auditorium
Time: 7:00 pm
Featuring music and history of GHS



Come reconnect with old friends, relive cherished memories, and celebrate a century of Bluebird pride while honoring the generations who have made Goessel High School such a special place.



A Century of Class

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Come Join the Fun at... Uncle Milt's Shed

Kids' Old-Fashioned
Make-it-Take-it
Crafts & Activities
Country Threshing Days
July 31-August 1, 2026

Make your own:

- ★ Hanky Babies
- ★ Wheat Seed Sorting
- ★ Americana Paper Fans
- ★ Paper Cup Liberty Bells
- ★ Cottonwood Leaf Tepees
- ★ Watermelon Paper Mosaics



Try your Hand at:

- ★ Corn Shelling
- ★ Grain Tables
- ★ Horseshoes
- ★ Marble Games
- ★ Farmyard Beanbag Toss
- ★ Checkerboard Challenge
- ★ Washing Clothes by Hand
- ★ America #250 Scavenger Hunt

Celebrating Our 23rd Year of Providing Old-Fashioned Fun for Kids of All Ages!!

Country Threshing Days

52nd Annual August 1 & 2, 2025

Goessel, Kansas

2025 Show Features:
Massey Ferguson
and Massey Harris

Presented by the Wheat Heritage Engine and Threshing Co.
and the Mennonite Heritage and Agricultural Museum

- Friday night, August 1, entertainment by the duo "Field Boss" at the Goessel JH/HS auditorium, 7:00 p.m. **Donations to the museum welcome.**
- Parade on Main Street starts at 9:30 a.m., Saturday, August 2.
- Low-German meal after parade, served at Goessel Elementary School.
- Gate admission button: \$7.00. Children 12 and younger, free.
- Children's activities and pedal tractor pull.
- Sawmill demonstrations.
- Extensive antique farm machinery displays.
- Large stationary engine demonstrations.
- Admission to Mennonite Heritage and Agricultural Museum is included with gate button purchase.



email: goesselmuseum@gmail.com

www.goesselmuseum.com
phone (620)367-8200



www.wheatco.org

Gates open Friday at 9:00 am; admission is good for both days.

All makes of equipment are welcome for display. Camper parking is available—contact the Goessel City Office (620)367-8111.

2026 Threshing Days: July 31 & August 1, 2026, featuring Stationary Engines & Lawn and Garden Equipment.

Country Threshing Days

Presented by the Wheat Heritage Engine and Threshing Company
and the Mennonite Heritage & Agricultural Museum

53rd Annual

July 31 and August 1, 2026

Goessel, Kansas

Featuring garden tractors and stationary engines

All makes and types of vintage farm equipment, trucks, and
vehicles are welcome for display



- Downtown parade 9:30 a.m. Saturday
- Children's activities and pedal tractor pull
- Pedal tractor raffle
- Sawmill demonstrations
- Draft horse demonstrations
- Threshing and field demonstrations
- Steam tractor demonstrations
- Extensive antique farm machinery displays
- Large stationary engine demonstrations
- Admission to Mennonite Heritage and Ag Museum included with show button purchase



Admission button cost \$7 and is good for both days. Gates open at noon on Friday.

2027 Threshing Days August 6 and 7, 2027 featuring International Harvester

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Good Eating THRESHING DAYS! SATURDAY, AUG. 2, 2025

Served at the
GOESSEL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

10:30 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.

LOW GERMAN MEAL
A LA CARTE MENU

Verenika w/Ham Gravy
Bierocks
Country Sausage
Zwieback
Cherry Moos
New Year's Cookies
Drinks

Served at the
PREPARATORY SCHOOL

(on the museum grounds)
10:30 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.

Bierocks
Vegetarian Bierocks
Pulled Pork Sandwiches
Bean Salad (V,GF)
Chips
Monster Cookies
New Year's Cookies
Drinks

Cash and checks only; no credit cards.

All Proceeds Benefit the Mennonite Heritage & Agricultural Museum.

Thank you for your support!

GOESSEL, CITY OF
Consumer Confidence Report – 2026
Covering Calendar Year – 2025



This brochure is a snapshot of the quality of the water that we provided last year. Included are the details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and state standards. We are committed to providing you with information because informed customers are our best allies. If you would like to observe the decision-making process that affect drinking water quality, please call JENNIFER BLISS at 820-367-8111.

Our drinking water is supplied from another water system through a Consecutive Connection (CC). Your water comes from Ground water.

Source Name	Source Water Type
CC FROM MARION CO RWD 4 EMERGENCY	Ground water
WELL 01	Ground water
WELL 02	Ground water
WELL 03	Ground water

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as those with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) included rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in sources water before we treat it include:

Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, livestock operations and wildlife.

Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.

Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as storm water run-off, agriculture, and residential users.

Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or the result of mining activity.

Organic contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and also come from gas stations, urban storm water run-off, and septic systems.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulation which limits the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. We treat our water according to EPA's regulations. Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

Our water system is required to test a minimum of 2 sample(s) per month in accordance with the Revised Total Coliform Rule for microbiological contaminants. Coliform bacteria are usually harmless, but their presence in water can be an indication of disease-causing bacteria. When coliform bacteria are found, special follow-up tests are done to determine if harmful bacteria are present in the water supply. If this limit is exceeded, the water supplier must notify the public.

Water Quality Data

The following tables list all of the drinking water contaminants which were detected during the 2025 calendar year. The presence of these contaminants does not necessarily indicate the water poses a health risk. Unless noted, the data presented in this table is from the testing done January 1- December 31, 2025. The state requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Some of the data, though representative of the water quality, is more than one year old. The bottom line is that the water that is provided to you is safe.

Terms & Abbreviations

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): the "Goal" is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to human health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): the "Maximum Allowed" is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level (SMCL): recommended level for a contaminant that is not regulated and has no MCL. **Action Level (AL):** the concentration of a contaminant that, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements.

Treatment Technique (TT): a required process intended to reduce levels of a contaminant in drinking water.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL): the highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Non-Detects (ND): lab analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present.

Parts per Million (ppm): or milligrams per liter (mg/L)

Parts per Billion (ppb): or micrograms per liter (µg/L)

Picocuries per Liter (pCi/L): a measure of the radioactivity in water.

Millirems per Year (mrem/yr): measure of radiation absorbed by the body.

Monitoring Period Average (MPA): An average of sample results obtained during a defined time frame, common examples of monitoring periods are monthly, quarterly and yearly.

Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU): a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person. Turbidity is not regulated for groundwater systems.

Running Annual Average (RAA): an average of sample results obtained over the most current 12 months and used to determine compliance with MCLs.

Locational Running Annual Average (LRAA): Average of sample analytical results for samples taken at a particular monitoring location during the previous four calendar quarters.

Testing Results for: GOESSEL, CITY OF

Regulated Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Value	Range (Low/high)	Unit	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source
ARSENIC	2/6/2023	1.5	1.5	ppb	10	0	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes
BARIUM	2/6/2023	0.23	0.23	ppm	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
CHROMIUM	2/6/2023	1.3	1.3	ppb	100	100	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits
FLUORIDE	2/6/2023	0.58	0.58	ppm	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
NITRATE	3/11/2025	9	9	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
SELENIUM	2/6/2023	6.5	6.5	ppb	50	50	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines

Additional Required Health Effects Language:

Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause blue baby syndrome. Nitrate levels may rise quickly for short periods of time because of rainfall or agricultural activity. If you are caring for an infant, you should ask for advice from your health care provider.

Radiological Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Value	Range	Unit	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source
GROSS ALPHA, INCL. RADON & U	4/4/2022	3	3	PC/L	15	0	Erosion of natural deposits

Disinfection Byproducts	Sample Point	Period	Highest LRAA	Range	Unit	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source
TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)	600 E MAIN	2025	4	3.6 - 3.6	ppb	80	0	By-product of drinking water disinfection
TTHM	600 E MAIN	2025	4	3.7 - 3.7	ppb	80	0	By-product of drinking water chlorination

There is no safe level of lead in drinking water. Exposure to lead in drinking water can cause serious health effects in all age groups. Infants and children can have decreases in IQ and attention span. Lead exposure can lead to new learning and behavior problems or exacerbate existing learning and behavior problems. The children of women who are exposed to lead before or during pregnancy can have increased risk of these adverse health effects. Adults can have increased risks of heart disease, high blood pressure, kidney or nervous system problems.

Lead and Copper	Monitoring Period	90TH Percentile	Range (low/high)	Unit	AL	Sites Over AL	Typical Source
COPPER, FREE	2021 - 2023	0.23	0.0058 - 0.24	ppm	1.3	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives
LEAD	2021 - 2023	4.3	0 - 14	ppb	15	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits

Lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. GOESSEL, CITY OF is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components in your home. You share the responsibility for protecting yourself and your family from the lead in your home plumbing. You can take responsibility by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk.

Before drinking tap water, flush your pipes for several minutes by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. You can also use a filter certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead in drinking water. If you are concerned about [lead](#) in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact GOESSEL, CITY OF at 620-367-8111. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

The Lead and Copper rules require water systems to develop and maintain a Service Line Inventory. The service line is the underground pipe that supplies your home or building with water. To view the Service Line Inventory, which lists the material type(s) for your location, you may view the inventory at: **Goessel Civic Center, 101 S. Cedar, Goessel, KS 67053**

Chlorine/Chloramines Maximum Disinfection Level	MPA	MPA Units	RAA	RAA Units
9/1/2025 - 9/30/2025	1.30000	MG/L	0.90000	MG/L

Secondary Contaminants – Non-Health Based Contaminants - No Federal Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) Established.	Collection Date	Highest Value	Range (low/high)	Unit	SMCL
ALKALINITY, TOTAL	2/6/2023	330	330	MG/L	300
CALCIUM	2/6/2023	120	120	MG/L	200
CHLORIDE	2/6/2023	93	93	MG/L	250
CONDUCTIVITY @ 25 C UMHO/CM	2/6/2023	980	980	UMHO/CM	1500
CORROSIVITY	2/3/2020	1.2	1.2	LANG	0
HARDNESS, TOTAL (AS CaCO3)	2/6/2023	350	350	MG/L	400
MAGNESIUM	2/6/2023	14	14	MG/L	150
MANGANESE	2/6/2023	0.002	0.002	MG/L	0.05
NICKEL	2/6/2023	0.0048	0.0048	MG/L	0.1
PH	2/6/2023	7.7	7.7	PH	8.5
PHOSPHORUS, TOTAL	2/6/2023	0.032	0.032	MG/L	5
POTASSIUM	2/6/2023	1.5	1.5	MG/L	100
SILICA	2/6/2023	24	24	MG/L	50
SODIUM	2/6/2023	76	76	MG/L	100
SULFATE	2/6/2023	37	37	MG/L	250
TDS	2/6/2023	570	570	MG/L	500
ZINC	2/6/2023	0.016	0.016	MG/L	5

There are no additional required health effects notices.

There are no additional required health effects violation notices.

August 2026

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Threshing Days

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