

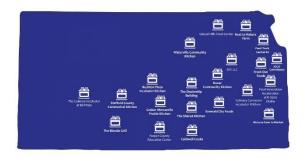
Incubator Kitchen Information

Division of Food Safety and Lodging

List of Available Kitchens and Resources

Dear Entrepreneur,

Incubator kitchens, which are food facilities that have multiple users, can be a good resource for small food business startups. The overhead costs of using an incubator kitchen can be much lower than renovating, building, or renting a facility. Many incubator kitchens also have commercial equipment that might be cost prohibitive for a small startup. For "cottage food" (foods made at home for sale directly to the end consumer) businesses, the incubator kitchen provides a separation from personal use kitchens.



Incubator Kitchen locations across Kansas.

There are some food safety concerns to consider when using an incubator kitchen. In Kansas, each individual operation that is required to be licensed must have its own license in the incubator kitchen. For example, a license is required if a processor is making a product that requires temperature control for safety or is distributing the product to grocery stores, restaurants, or other wholesale distribution.

Everyone using an incubator kitchen must consider how they will keep their ingredients, packaging, and finished products separate from other operators' materials. Some incubator kitchens offer locked dry storage and refrigerated storage spaces for each operator. Shared equipment must be cleaned and sanitized before and after use to prevent contaminating others' products.

It is important to make sure that an incubator kitchen has adequate space and equipment and is suitably constructed for a given product and process. For example, an incubator kitchen that is appropriate for a dry spice mix producer may not work for a canning operation.

The Kansas Department of Agriculture is happy to assist businesses in assessing whether an incubator kitchen is a good fit for their operations.

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305 LLC

Kitchen Address	305 SE 17 th St Topeka, KS 66607
Contact	Amy Hedstrom
Phone Number	785-291-9702
Website	
Square Footage	500 sq. ft.
Formal Application Required	No
Upfront Costs	No
Kitchen-use Rate	\$100 per day
Products produced in Kitchen	Bakery, cooked meats, canned foods, jams and jellies, dips and spreads, snack foods, candy and confections
Available Equipment and Appliances	Residential grade convention oven/stove, commercial mixer, 2 gas burners, 2 stainless steel prep tables, popcorn
	(No hood available, no frying)
Advanced Reservation	One week
Social Media	

Bushton Plaza Incubator Kitchen

Kitchen Address	500 S Main Street Bushton, KS 67427
Contact	Samantha Black
Phone Number	620-562-3407
Website	
Square Footage	1,420 sq. ft.
Formal Application Required	yes
Upfront Costs	\$5 for Keyless Entry Key Fob
Kitchen-use Rate	4 hour single use \$30, 8 hour single use \$50, weekly rates available upon request
Products produced in Kitchen	New Incubator Kitchen, products dependent upon customers.
Available Equipment and Appliances	Large 6 burner natural gas stove and oven, a large electric convection oven, a large electric tilt skillet, all of which are located under a vent hood system, a 30" x 72" food processing table with sink, a portable stainless steel food prep table, an ice maker, a stainless steel 3 sink dishwashing station with attached drying area, a handwashing sink, a large 3 bay commercial refrigerator, and 4 lockable storage lockers.
Advanced Reservation	First come, first serve basis
Social Media	

The Blonde Grill

Kitchen Address	212 E Main Coldwater, KS 67029
Contact	Nicole Herd
Phone Number	316-648-8926
Website	
Square Footage	600 sq. ft.
Formal Application Required	yes
Upfront Costs	Rate in process.
Kitchen-use Rate	Rate in process.
Products produced in Kitchen	Product production will be determined based on items and licensing requirements per individual or business
Available Equipment and Appliances	Large commercial range, workspace, refrigeration. Other smallware and appliance arrangements can be utilized upon reservation request
Advanced Reservation	Reservations subject to scheduling
Social Media	

Caldwell Cooks

Kitchen	119 E 1 st Ave
Address	Caldwell, KS 67022
Contact	City Hall
Phone Number	620-845-6514
Website	www.cityofcaldwellks.com/
Square Footage	Approx. 350 sq. ft.
Formal Application Required	yes
Upfront Costs	\$50 Refundable Cleaning/Damage Deposit
Kitchen-use Rate	Resident: Full Day Use \$60 1/2 Day Use \$30 Non-Resident: Full Day Use \$75 1/2 Day Use \$37.50
Products produced in Kitchen	
Available Equipment and Appliances	(2) Upright freezer/refrigerator combo, (1) electric oven/range w/vent, (1) chest freezer, (1) microwave, spacious counter tops throughout, upper and lower cabinet storage throughout, large stainless island prep station, industrial sink w/garbage disposal
Advanced Reservation	24 Hours Preferred
Social Media	

Culinary Commons Incubator Kitchen

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Kitchen	2100 Harper Street
Address	Lawrence, KS 66046
Contact	Susan Johnson
Phone Number	785-843-7058
Website	<u>douglas.ksu.edu</u>
Square Footage	693 sq. ft.
Formal Application Required	Yes
Upfront Costs	Refundable deposit-\$100 (one time only)
Kitchen-use Rate	\$25 per half day; \$50 per full day
Products produced in Kitchen	Bakery, cooked meat, jams and jellies, fried foods, dips and spreads, snack foods, candy/confectionaries, skin care products
Available Equipment and Appliances	60" electric range with 6 burners and 24" griddle, electric convection oven, electric tilting kettle, steam jacket design, electric hot food serving counter, commercial microwave oven—1000 watts, 20 qt. food mixer, 54" refrigerator, 45.9 CU FT glass door merchandiser refrigerator, 27" freezer, 48" x 18" pan prep table, three compartment sink, hand sink, dish machine, soiled dish table (with food disposal), ice maker and more
Advanced Reservation	First come, first serve basis
Social Media	

The Culinary Incubator at Elk Plaza

Kitchen Address	203 N. West Street Hanston, KS 67849
Contact	Lea Ann E. Seiler
Phone Number	620-357-8831; 620-357-5561
Website	hodgemancountyks.com
Square Footage	Less than 5,000 sq. ft.
Formal Application Required	Yes
Upfront Costs	Refundable cleaning deposit - \$50
Kitchen-use Rate	Half day - \$50; Full day - \$75; Cleaning deposit - \$50; Less for lower energy users (\$25/day)
Products produced in Kitchen	Bakery, Cooked Meats, Canned Foods, Jams and Jellies, Fried Foods, Dips and Spreads, Teas, Coffees, Dry Mixes, Snack Foods, Candy and Confections
Available Equipment and Appliances	Commercial Freezer and refrigerator, two standard refrigerators, two stove-tops and ovens, two sinks, one large roaster, two commercial baking sheets, assorted metal spoons, spatulas, large commercial mixing bowl set, commercial cutting board, commercial coffee pot, theatre popcorn maker, two large microwaves, worktables right under microwaves (equipment is continually added-special requests are encouraged)
Advanced Reservation	One week recommended
Social Media	

The Dealership Building

Kitchen Address	318 W Main St. Council Grove, KS 66846
Contact	Amanda McDonald
Phone Number	785-410-8557
Website	
Square Footage	300 sq. ft.
Formal Application Required	Yes
Upfront Costs	\$100 refundable deposit
Kitchen-use Rate	\$50 (4hrs), \$90 (8hrs), weekly and monthly rates determined by estimated hours of usage
Products produced in Kitchen	
Available Equipment and Appliances	Commercial gas ovens, gas stovetop, warmer, 30qt mixer, microwave, prep island, 3 compartment sink and 2 refrigerators with freezers
Advanced Reservation	Please contact us to reserve a time
Social Media	f

Dover Community Kitchen

Kitchen Address	5928 Douglas Road PO Box 244
Contact	DCC Rental Coordinator
Phone Number	785-256-6700 (please leave message)
Website	<u>dovercommunitycenter.com</u>
Square Footage	Less than 5,000 sq. ft.
Formal Application Required	Yes
Upfront Costs	\$50 application deposition (initial, refundable)
Kitchen-use Rate	\$40 half day, \$75 full day
Products produced in Kitchen	See full list on our Agreement and Information documents on our website
Available Equipment and Appliances	See full list on our Agreement and Information documents on our website
Advanced Reservation	Yes, required
Social Media	f

Emerald City Foods

Kitchen Address	104-106 W Main Toronto, KS 66777
Contact	Mandy Simon
Phone Number	620-660-0016
Website	www.facebook.com/EmeraldCityFoods
Square Footage	500 sq. ft.
Formal Application Required	Yes
Upfront Costs	\$100 prepaid per night, no deposit required
Kitchen-use Rate	\$100 per night
Products produced in Kitchen	
Available Equipment and Appliances	Amana speed oven Large fridge Freezer Ice cream case Microwave Prep table Catering equipment and fuel for buffet Drink caraffes- Cambros About 10 total Various molds, pans, etc.
Advanced Reservation	One week+ is preferred
Social Media	f

Food Innovation Accelerator at K-State Olathe

Kitchen	22201 W. Innovation Dr.
Address	Olathe, KS 66061
Contact	Bryan Severns
Phone Number	913-307-7317
Website	olathe.k-state.edu
Square Footage	4 Kitchens - 800, 1800, 1200, 1800 sq. ft.
Formal Application Required	Yes
Upfront Costs	
Kitchen-use Rate	Variable. Charge by day.
Products produced in Kitchen	Bakery, canned foods, jams and jellies, fried foods, dips and spreads, snack foods, candy/confection
Available Equipment and Appliances	Multiple restaurant ranges, ovens, steamers, fryers, mixers, griddle, charbroilers, refrigeration, small wares
Advanced Reservation	
Social Media	

Food Truck Central KC

Kitchen	100 S James St
Address	Kansas City, KS 66118
Contact	Ed Maurin
Phone Number	913-489-9419
Website	www.foodtruckcentralkc.com
Square Footage	800 sq. ft. kitchen, 5500 sq. ft. storage
Formal Application Required	Yes
Upfront Costs	No
Kitchen-use Rate	\$15 an hour off peak 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. to \$20 for peak hours
Products produced in Kitchen	
Available Equipment and Appliances	Stove range, double stack convection oven, 36" charbroiler, 40 gal. tilt skillet, 36" flat top 20-qt mixer, 300# rotisserie smoker
Advanced Reservation	1 week
Social Media	f

Fresh Out Foods

Kitchen	8607 Quivira Rd.
Address	Lenexa, KS 66215
Contact	Kim Woods, General Manager
Phone Number	913-384-2445
Website	www.freshoutfoods.com
Square Footage	2500 sq. ft.
Formal Application Required	Yes
Upfront Costs	Varies on use
Kitchen-use Rate	\$22/hr
Products produced in Kitchen	Current businesses: wholesale and retail - cookie/bread doughs/batters, quiche and crustless quiche, crisp pies, mini cheesecakes, special occasion cakes and cookies, empanadas, buttermilk biscuits, corporate lunch boxes. Previous businesses who have moved on to bigger and better: Wholesale and Retailinfused local honey, New York cheesecakes, fruit cobblers, vegan/vegetarian food truck items, vegan/vegetarian meals, baked goods for city markets, Canadian confections. We have had many use our space for one-time events such as weddings, and other events. *We are aware of conflicts of interest and will not have the same types of food businesses in our kitchen at the same time.
Available Equipment and Appliances	2 convection ovens, 25 qt mixer, dough sheeter, pie press, l-bar sealer, shrink wrap machine, microwave, standard oven/cooktop.
Advanced Reservation	One-time use: reserve at east 30 days in advance
Social Media	f

Glacial Hills Food Center

Kitchen Address	1730 1st Ave. West Horton, KS 66439
Contact	Gary Satter
Phone Number	785-608-8801
Website	ghfoodcenter.com
Square Footage	1,000 sq. ft.
Formal Application Required	Yes
Upfront Costs	Application fee-\$25; Cleaning deposit-\$50; Non-refundable equipment maintenance fee-\$50
Kitchen-use Rate	\$15 per hour
Products produced in Kitchen	Bakery, canned foods, jams & jellies, dips & spreads, snack foods, candy/confection, salsa, BBQ sauce, fresh coffee roasting. Space for smoking vegetables is available in detached garage, must have own equipment
Available Equipment and Appliances	Commercial six burner gas range, gas convection oven, commercial mixer, digital scale, 25-gallon gas steam kettle, packaging machine for food bars, cookies, breads, vacuum packaging for freezing, double door refrigerator and freezer, food processor, blender, juicer, small appliances, stainless steel worktables, wood top bread table, pressure canners, water bath canners, cold and dry storage available, Internet, color printer, office space for rent.
Advanced Reservation	Several days allowed if kitchen is available
Social Media	f

Graber Mercantile Prairie Kitchen

Kitchen Address	115 W. Main St. Pretty Prairie, KS 67570
Contact	Nellie Graber / nellgraber@gmail.com
Phone Number	719-291-8974
Website	None
Square Footage	380 sq. ft.
Formal Application Required	Yes
Upfront Costs	Application fee - \$25; Cleaning deposit - \$50 One-time damage and maintenance deposit - \$100
Kitchen-use Rate	\$50 per hour or by agreement
Products produced in Kitchen	Meals, baked items, canning and food preservation
Available Equipment and Appliances	60" Tundra commercial gas range, 10 burners, 2 ovens; range hood with fire suppression system; commercial 3 station sink; hand washing sink; washing sink; Kitchen Aid food processor; 7-quart Kitchen Aid bowl-lift mixer; Kitchen Aid food processor; pressure cookers, large cooking and canning pots; racks and cabinets for storing supplies; general use utensils available; 3 metal surface prep stations; 48 cu.' 2 door glass door merchandiser refrigerator; cu.' 1 door reach in freezer; 1000 watt microwave
Advanced Reservation	Yes
Social Media	f

Harper County Education Center

Kitchen	128 E. 9th
Address	Harper, KS 67058
Contact	Emily Schlickau
Phone Number	316-259-1208
Website	
Square Footage	450 sq. ft.
Formal Application Required	Yes
Upfront Costs	Refundable deposit-\$350
Kitchen-use Rate	\$40 for 6 hours; \$70 for 12 hours
Products produced in Kitchen	Bakery, cooked meat, canned foods, jams & jellies, dips and spreads, snack foods, candy and confections
Available Equipment and Appliances	Gas range and oven, walk in cooler, freezer, mixers, food processor, commercial grade cookware, pressure and water bath canners and various other small appliances
Advanced Reservation	Approximately two weeks
Social Media	f

JOCO Commissary

Kitchen	600 E Santa Fe St.
Address	Olathe, KS 66061
Contact	
Phone Number	913-815-8150
Website	
Square Footage	1500 sq. ft.
Formal Application Required	
Upfront Costs	
Kitchen-use Rate	Variable
Products produced in Kitchen	Smoked meats, sauces, baked goods, cakes, soups, roasted meats, dough, Mexican food
Available Equipment and Appliances	Commercial stove, convection ovens, smoker, slicer, tilt skillet, mixer, grinder, small ware, walk-in cooler, freezer, refrigeration.
Advanced Reservation	One week
Social Media	

McCune Farm to Market

Kitchen Address	604 Hickory St / 126 Highway McCune, KS 66753
Contact	Cherie Schenker
Phone Number	620-632-4470 or 620-632-5198
Website	
Square Footage	25x20
Formal Application Required	Yes
Upfront Costs	\$150 refundable cleaning deposit
Kitchen-use Rate	\$10 per hour (\$30 min.)
Products produced in Kitchen	Jam & jellies, dips & spreads, snack foods, cooked meats, bakery, candy & confections,
Available Equipment and Appliances	Double Convection Oven; Mixer; 6 gas burners; 2 stainless prep tables; steam table; 48" griddle; microwave; misc. small wares; commercial dish washer; fryer; ice machine. Walk-In Cooler/Freezer available—additional fee applies.
Advanced Reservation	2-3 days min. preferred
Social Media	f

Next to Nature Farm

Kitchen Address	23338 Kissinger Road Leavenworth, KS 66048
Contact	Chad or Megan Gilliland
Phone Number	785-491-1978
Website	www.nexttonaturefarm.com
Square Footage	400 sq. ft.
Formal Application Required	Yes
Upfront Costs	\$50 cleaning fee (refundable)
Kitchen-use Rate	\$15/hour (3 hour minimum)
Products produced in Kitchen	Jams and jellies, pickles, honey, beeswax skincare
Available Equipment and Appliances	Six-burner commercial range (propane) with commercial vent hood and exhaust, full-size commercial convection oven, Hobart commercial dishwasher, 4-door commercial refrigerator freezer, microwave four-bay commercial sink, stainless steel prep area (4 feet x 5 feet), stainless steel bowls, baking sheets, pots and pans, and water bath and pressure canners (stovetop). Dedicated pantry shelving is available upon request and discussion with owners.
Advanced Reservation	48 hours
Social Media	f

Stafford County Commercial Kitchen

Kitchen	210 E. 3 rd St.
Address	St. John, KS 67576
Contact	Ryan Russell
Phone Number	620-314-5561
Website	https://www.facebook.com/staffordecodevo
Square Footage	250 sq. ft.
Formal Application Required	Yes
Upfront Costs	\$75 Deposit (refundable)
Kitchen-use Rate	\$35 Half Day (4 hours) or \$65 Full Day (8 hours)
Products produced in Kitchen	Bakery Canned Jams, Sauces, Baked Goods, etc.
Available Equipment and Appliances	Oven, Refrigeration, Canning, Mixer, Juicer, etc.
Advanced Reservation	Application submission, then reservation
Social Media	f

The Shared Kitchen

Kitchen Address	926 W Harry Wichita, KS 67213
Contact	Diane Kriwiel
Phone Number	316-204-8131
Website	n/a
Square Footage	2,000 sq. ft.
Formal Application Required	Yes
Upfront Costs	\$200 security deposit; \$100 cleaning fee
Kitchen-use Rate	\$20/hour for 20 hours/month; \$18/hour for 40 hours/month; \$16/hour for 60 hours/month; must sign a three-month contract
Products produced in Kitchen	Soul food, cinnamon rolls, Mexican food
Available Equipment and Appliances	Flat top, 6 burner range, broiler, double fryer, two convection ovens, alto- shaam, 20 qt. mixer, 15 qt. mixer, food processor, juicer, microwave, prep tables, fridge and freezer space dry storage space, commercial dishwashing
Advanced Reservation	Can make reservations up to 30 days out
Social Media	f

Waterville Community Kitchen

Kitchen Address	136 East Commercial St. Waterville, KS 66548
Contact	Nori
Phone Number	785-363-2367
Website	n/a
Square Footage	468 sq. ft.
Formal Application Required	No
Upfront Costs	\$50 refundable deposit
Kitchen-use Rate	Please contact he Waterville Community Center for rental rates.
Products produced in Kitchen	Product production will be determined based on items and licensing requirements per individual or business. There is no hood for frying.
Available Equipment and Appliances	2 electric ranges, 1 upright freezer, 2 refrigerator/freezers, 3 compartment sink, handwashing sink, microwave, multiple electric roasters, various utensils.
Advanced Reservation	Please contact the Waterville Community Center to reserve a date/time.
Social Media	