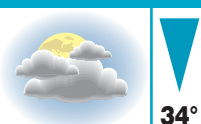
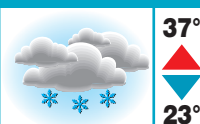


Weather Report for Ashland

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FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR ASHLAND

TODAY	TONIGHT	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
 58°	 34°	 37° 23°	 46° 29°	 56° 43°	 46° 28°
Occasional rain and drizzle	Breezy early; mostly cloudy	Much colder with snow at times	Sunny	Sunshine mixing with some clouds	Cloudy, cooler; a little p.m. rain
RealFeel: 53°	RealFeel: 28°	RealFeel: 29° / 16°	RealFeel: 48° / 21°	RealFeel: 53° / 38°	RealFeel: 40° / 21°

The patented **AccuWeather.com RealFeel Temperature®** is an exclusive index that combines the effects of temperature, wind, humidity, sunshine intensity, cloudiness, precipitation, pressure and elevation on the human body — everything that affects how warm or cold a person feels. Shown are the highest and lowest values for each day.

ALMANAC

Huntington, WV ended 4 p.m. Friday

Temperature	
High/low	65° / 58°
Normal high/low	43° / 27°
Record high	72° (1946)
Record low	-1° (1970)
Precipitation	
24-hour total	0.17"
Month to date	0.19"
Normal month to date	0.89"
Year to date	0.19"
Last year to date	1.56"
Normal year to date	0.89"

UV INDEX TODAY

The higher the **AccuWeather.com UV Index™** number, the greater the need for skin and eye protection.

10 a.m.	0 (Low)
Noon	1 (Low)
2 p.m.	0 (Low)
4 p.m.	0 (Low)

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today	7:48 a.m.
Sunset tonight	5:29 p.m.
Moonrise today	12:31 a.m.
Moonset today	11:45 a.m.

Last

New

First

Full

Jan 10

Jan 18

Jan 25

Feb 1

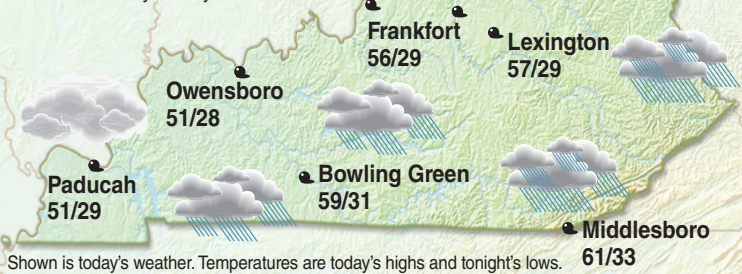
RIVER & LAKE LEVELS

In feet as of 7 a.m. yesterday

	Flood Stage	Level
Ohio River		
Ashland	52	34.86
Portsmouth	50	17.95
Little Sandy River		
Grayson	21	4.55
Leon	NA	3.67
Grayson Lake	NA	

KENTUCKY WEATHER

Regional Forecast: Occasional rain and drizzle today. Breezy in the evening; otherwise, mostly cloudy tonight. Breezy tomorrow morning; mostly cloudy and much colder with a couple of snow showers. Monday: sunny.



Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Sun.
Bowling Gr., KY	59/31 sh	38/23 s
Bristol, TN	62/32 r	40/21 c
Charlotte, NC	71/44 t	51/27 pc
Charleston, WV	58/32 r	36/23 sn

City	Today	Sun.
Chattanooga	65/38 r	46/29 s
Cincinnati, OH	51/25 r	33/23 pc
Columbus, OH	50/26 r	33/25 c
Dayton, OH	49/24 r	33/24 c

City	Today	Sun.
Frankfort	56/29 sh	35/22 c
Gatlinburg, TN	63/35 r	43/21 pc
Huntington, WV	58/32 r	36/25 sf
Jackson	59/31 r	38/24 c

City	Today	Sun.
Knoxville	60/36 r	42/24 s
Lexington	57/29 r	36/24 c
London	60/31 r	35/22 pc
Louisville	59/30 sh	36/27 c

City	Today	Sun.
Myrtle Beach, SC	72/60 pc	65/31 pc
Nashville, TN	64/35 sh	43/27 s
Owensboro	51/28 sh	36/25 pc
Paducah	51/29 c	41/25 s

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

CANDIDATES

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LIST OF CANDIDATES

BOYD COUNTY

- Judge-Executive — Eric Chaney (R)
- Clerk — Kevin Johnston (R)
- Jailer — William Hensley (R)
- Sheriff — John Daniels (R), Jamie Reihns (R)
- Attorney — Curtis Dotson (R), Katee Neltner (R)
- Ashland City commissioner — DJ Rymer, Marty Gute, Tim Renfro, Amanda Clark, Heather Hayes, Socrates Maroudis, Clayton Wills, Fred Unrue, Jeremy Lawrence
- 1st District Commissioner — James King (R), John Michael Conley (R), David Salisbury (R), Keith Watts (R), Heather Moore (R)
- 2nd District Commissioner — Jeremy Holbrook (R)
- 3rd District Commissioner — Randy Stapleton (R), Bud Stevens (R)
- PVA — Homer “Jay” Woods (R), Brandon Ramsey (R)
- Coroner — Mark Hammond (R)
- Boyd Co. School Board (2nd) — Aaron Prince (NP)
- Surveyor — Larry Barker (R)
- 1st District Constable — Aaron S. Profit (R)
- 3rd District Constable — George Daniels (D), Mitchell Fetters (R)
- 1st District Justice of the Peace — Woodrow Conley (D)
- 3rd District Justice of the Peace — Suzanne Griffith (D)

CARTER COUNTY

- Judge-Executive — Brandon Burton (R)
- Clerk — Mike D. Johnston (D)
- Coroner — George Sparks (R)
- Jailer — R.W. Boggs (R)
- Attorney — Brian Bayes (R)
- PVA — Leslie Kiser-Roseberry (R)
- Sheriff — Jeff May (R)
- Mayor — Troy Combs (I)
- 1st Magistrate — Chris Huddle (R), Curt Bair (R), Anthony Branham (D)
- 2nd Magistrate — Morris Shearer (D)
- 3rd Magistrate — Millard Cordle (R)
- 4th Magistrate — Donnie Oppenheimer (R), Timothy Dean Barker (R), Danny J. Holbrook (R)
- 5th Magistrate — Harley Rayburn (R), Randall J. Mosley II (R), Eric “Bubba” Johnson (R), David Leroy Jessie (R)
- 1st District Constable — Brian Stevens (R)
- 2nd District Constable — Danny Davis (D)
- 3rd District Constable — Johnny E. Gifford (D)
- 4th District Constable — Jhan B. Jarrell (D)
- 5th District Constable — Phillip Blevins (R)

GREENUP COUNTY

- Judge-Executive — Bobby Hall (R)
- Clerk — Andrew Imel (R)
- Jailer — Larry Pancake (R)
- Sheriff — Matt Smith (R)
- PVA — Tony Quillen (R)
- Attorney — Matthew Warnock (R)
- Coroner — Neil Wright (R)
- Surveyor — Preston Meadows (R), Richard Howerton (R)
- 1st Commissioner — Derrick Bradley (R), Evan White (R)
- 2nd Commissioner — Lee Wireman (R)
- 3rd Commissioner — Eric Hilton (R)
- 1st Magistrate/Justice — Rob Waggoner (R)
- 2nd Magistrate/Justice — Ray Pope (R)
- 3rd Magistrate/Justice — Steve Miller (R)
- 1st Constable — Donnie Townsend (R)
- 2nd Constable — Colby Large (R)
- 3rd Constable — Steven Allen (R), Lenard Hall (R)
- Greenup mayor — Lundie Meadows
- Greenup city council — Andrew Zabrieszack, Ricky Craft, Phillip Dowdy, Bruce Mantz, David Black, Jamie Gilliam, Brooks Jackson, Steven Branin, John David Norman
- Russell mayor — Don Fraley, Ryan Biederman
- Russell city council — Clyde “Butch” Meadows, Alice Kay Thompson, Ron Simpson, William Bloss, Steven Hines, Vincenzo Fressola, Mike Wehrle, Phillip Cassity, Derik Skeens, Heather Bowling-Rice
- Flatwoods mayor — Buford Hurley
- Flatwoods city council — Randy Hale, Kevin Stevens, Mark Gullett, Mark House, Louie Gabbard, Shawn Patrick Moore, Rosa Lee Gullett, Nick Dickens
- Raceland mayor — JR Cook
- South Shore mayor — Jeffrey Vansickle, Deven Vanbibber, Bob Lester
- South Shore city council — Paul Rick Ramey, Chris Hook, Ed Bennett, Donnie Wireman, Michael D. Mullins Jr.
- Worthington mayor — Jason Flocker
- Wurtland city council — Tony J. Smith
- 3rd Greenup County school board — Katherine Meadows

HIKE

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to Kentucky Power’s proposed hike. She spoke at the PSC’s meetings in Hazard, Pikeville and now Ashland. She said she plans to be in Frankfort for the public comment portion of that hearing on Tuesday.

“I’ve talked all about the problem, and now I’m concentrating on the solution,” Griffith said. “The solution to all of this is economic development.”

Griffith distributed fact sheets to most in attendance Thursday.

Among those facts are the following: Kentucky Power’s rates have gone up 74% from 2010 to 2025. The new rate would result in a 100% rate hike since 2010, despite Kentucky Power customers using 22% less electricity than they did in 2010.

Kentucky Power decommissioned coal-burning Big Sandy 2 in Louisa in 2015 while purchasing half of the Mitchell Plant in West Virginia. Wheeling Power owns the other half.

In 2015, the average residential bill raised \$11 monthly. In 2021, residents saw a 15.5% average increase on their bills. Three years later, it went up

another 5.7% — after an 18.3% request.

Poverty rates among the 20 counties Kentucky Power serves ranges between 15-33%, with Magoffin being the highest at 33.4%.

Griffith and Paula Bowling co-wrote an op-ed piece that appeared in multiple media outlets recently regarding the proposal.

“I’ve been attending these meetings for years,” Bowling said Friday. “In the past, 30 people would’ve been a huge turnout. To see over 150 people in attendance last night is testimony to how many are feeling the squeeze of higher power bills.”

Victor Wilson, of Ashland, spoke from his seat Thursday, saying this is how Kentucky Power can just “sock it to the poor,” prompting another community member to display her sign indicating “corporate greed” as the reason for the rate adjustment.

Harold Slone, Mayor of Louisa, said his approach was how this increase would impact water and sewer facilities in cities.

“Public utilities can’t absorb a nearly 15% increase in electric rates,” Slone said. “Those costs flow straight through to water and wastewater bills,

placing additional strain on the same customers we’re all trying to protect. For many families, seniors and small businesses, that compounding effect is a real concern.”

Griffith said the One East Kentucky plan could be an appropriate solution. On its website, oneeastky.com, the organization states “Kentucky currently has a two-tier system for economic development tax incentives. If it expands to a four-tier model, it can better allocate resources to the counties that need resources most.”

Griffith said she appreciated Kentucky PSC for having these meetings. Ashland’s event drew the largest turnout, she said.

“I think the PSC really wants to hear from us,” Griffith said. “They’ve made that clear over and over again. They need to hear from the consumers. If we stay quiet, then we obviously lose our voice in all this. We can’t stay quiet.”

The case number is 2025-00257. Those interested in submitting a comment about the case may email psc.comment@ky.gov (include the case number) or send a letter to 211 Sower Blvd., Frankfort, KY 40601.

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The Kentucky Public Service Commission's hearing regarding Kentucky Power's proposed rate hike drew nearly 200 people at the Ashland Transportation Center Thursday.

OXFORD

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That experience will absolutely shape how I teach literature, history and civic thought, helping my students see ideas as part of a long, ongoing human conversation.”

It’s not the first such program Brewer has been involved in.

• She participated in the Set in Stone program at Ford’s theatre in in Washington, D.C., which focused on Abraham Lincoln, the Civil War era and how storytelling, theater and historical memory shape understanding of the past.

• Next was the White House Historical Association’s Summer Teacher Institute, which examined presidential history, symbolism and the evolving role of the presidency in American democracy.

• Last summer, Brewer was selected for the Founding Forward Medal of Honor Legacy cohort, which focused on American history, civic responsibility and character education through the stories of Medal of Honor recipients.

Her style of teaching literature, writing and humanities blends interdisciplinary projects connecting history, civic engagement and the arts, and she said the Greenup school system is on board.

“Greenup County Schools has embraced an inspired new accountability model that focuses on student ownership, real-world learning, and helping students understand not just what they’re learning, but why it matters,” she said. “There’s a strong sense of community here — among teachers, students, families and local partners — and that shared commitment is helping build a positive, growing school culture where students are encouraged to think critically and see themselves as active participants in their future.”

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