

City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation

SUMMER PROGRAMS 2012

All the information you need to learn about
and sign up for your favorite Parks and
Recreation summer programs!

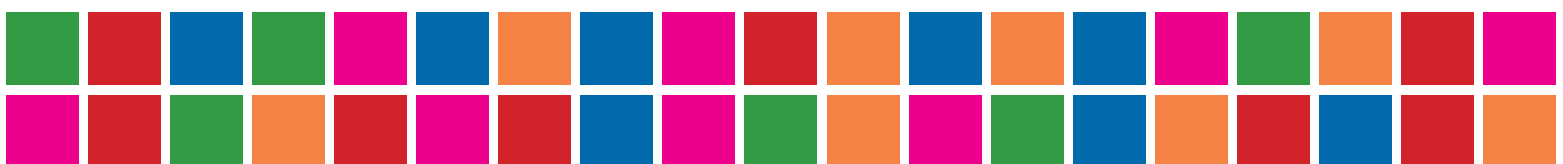




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Open to all abilities!

Children with disabilities who would like to participate are encouraged to attend (see page 4).

Registration Form

Register for programs online or fill out the loose form enclosed inside this brochure.



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If you have any questions or need more information regarding policies or registration, please contact Parks and Recreation at 952-563-8877 or email us at parksrec@ci.bloomington.mn.us





REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration for all programs opens Saturday

March 17, 2012 at 9 a.m. You may register online anytime after this date and time. If you would like to drop off, mail, fax or scan your registration information to us, these registrations will be entered beginning Monday, March 19, 2012.

1. ONLINE: www.ci.bloomington.mn.us
(Keywords: "Online Program")
2. BY MAIL: Parks and Recreation
1800 W. Old Shakopee Rd.
Bloomington, MN 55431
3. IN PERSON: Super Sign-Up Saturday, March 17 from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. or beginning March 19 at Civic Plaza from 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday - Friday.
4. FAX: 952-563-8715; Please call 952-563-8877 to verify receipt of your registration. Processing may take up to 2 business days.
5. SCAN and E-MAIL: parksrec@ci.bloomington.mn.us
Processing may take up to 2 business days.

CANCELLATIONS

Contact Parks and Recreation directly (phone, e-mail or in person) to request a cancellation.

Phone: (952) 563-8877

Email: parksrec@ci.bloomington.mn.us

When making changes or cancellations, please be aware of all Parks and Recreation Policies listed on this page. Cancellations cannot be processed through the Online Program Services system.

Cancellations made by Parks and Recreation

Due to lack of enrollment 100% Refund

Cancellations made by participant

Within 2 weeks of start of program...NO Refund

Exception: 50% refund if spot can be filled off an existing waitlist.

With at least 2 weeks noticeFULL refund less a \$10 processing fee per cancelled program

TRANSFERS/SUBSTITUTIONS

Transferring must occur two weeks or more before the start of program for any refund to be given if a credit exists. See Cancellation Policy for transfers made within two weeks of the start of class. You must contact Parks and Recreation to transfer. A \$10 processing fee per cancelled program will apply. No participant substitutions will be allowed for any program.

AGE

The age requirement must be met by the first day of attendance at the program.

WAITLISTS

If a spot opens up in a program for which you are waitlisted, every attempt will be made to contact you by telephone and e-mail if contact information is provided. You will be given 24 hours to respond and pay for the program/activity. We accept credit card payments by phone or online. After the 24 hours is up, your spot may be given to the next participant on the waitlist, if one exists.

SICKNESS POLICY

This policy has been put into place to protect your child(ren) and the other participants in the program. Please use common sense when deciding to send your child to one of our programs. If in doubt, please do not send them.

Please do not send your child to our programs if your child has:

- had a temperature of 100 degrees or more within the past 24 hours.
- had a communicable illness such as strep throat, pink eye, chicken pox, measles, etc...unless they have been on antibiotics for longer than 24 hours or past the doctors recommended exclusion period.
- lice, unless they have been treated and no longer have any nits or eggs visible.
- vomited within the last 24 hours

If we discover that one of the above has occurred or the child becomes sick while at one of our programs, you will be asked to make arrangements to pick the participant up from the location that we are at immediately.

CONCUSSION POLICY:

A concussion is a brain injury. Concussions are caused by a bump or blow to the head. Even a "ding," "getting your bell rung," or what seems to be a mild bump or blow to the head can be serious. You can't see a concussion. Signs and symptoms of concussion can show up right after the injury or may not appear or be noticed until days or weeks after the injury. If your child reports any symptoms of concussion, or if you notice the symptoms yourself, seek medical attention right away and please contact the Summer Spectrum office to notify us of the injury.

Please refer to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website for more information: www.cdc.gov/concussion/pdf/parents_Eng.pdf

FEE ASSISTANCE:

Assistance is available to qualifying Bloomington families. Call 952-563-8877 for details. Deadline to apply is May 18, 2012. Applicants must apply before registering for programs. It may take up to 1 week to process your application.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES / INCLUSION / ADAPTIVE

YOUTH VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Are you 13-15 and looking for a fun way to spend your summer and learn about leadership? Apply to volunteer with Parks and Recreation Division! Youth will learn about leadership through our youth leadership program and then demonstrate the skills they have learned through volunteering with our programs.

Volunteer opportunities and application deadlines for:

- Camp Kota – Junior Counselor, March 9
- Summer Adventure Playgrounds – Teen Volunteer, April 20

Youth will be selected through an application and interview process. Applications will be available online by mid-February at www.ci.bloomington.mn.us.
Keyword: parks and rec volunteer.

See the Summer Spectrum catalog for more information on Teen Volunteer Opportunities through the Bloomington School District.

INCLUSION SERVICES*

Bloomington Parks and Recreation actively supports and welcomes people with disabilities and/or medical conditions* to participate in our recreation programs at no additional cost to the participant. If you or your child would like to participate in a Bloomington Parks and Recreation program and feel assistance is needed, please follow the steps below:

1. Select YES on the registration form that states the participant has a disability and/or medical condition* and needs support.
2. Call Parks and Recreation at 952-563-8877 to request a Participant Profile form.
3. After we receive the registration form and profile, you will be contacted by staff for more information and to establish an inclusion plan.
4. Please note: accommodations can take up to one week to put into place after all forms are received.

*Some medical conditions may require Inclusion Services due to the intensity of the need and/or the medical equipment that will need to be utilized (needles, vials, etc.). Even if the participant is independent regarding the care for their medical condition, please contact us so we can work with you to determine the best level of care while participating in our programs.

ADAPTIVE RECREATION PROGRAMS

The Adaptive Recreation services in the cities of Bloomington, Eden Prairie, Edina and Richfield offer specialized recreation programs and services specifically designed for people with disabilities. Adaptive Recreation works cooperatively with the Learning Exchange and the Community Education Adults with Disabilities programs in Bloomington, Eden Prairie, Edina and Richfield school districts. These groups form the partnership called the Adaptive Recreation and Learning Exchange or AR&LE. For information on AR&LE and its offerings, go to www.ci.bloomington.mn.us (Keyword: ARLE) or call our office at 952-563-8877.

YOUTH ADAPTIVE SOFTBALL

Softball program specifically geared to youth with disabilities. Participants will learn basic rules and good sportsmanship in a non-threatening environment. Our staff is well experienced in the game and will give participants the softball experience of a lifetime! All leagues are co-rec.

Ages: 10-18

Dates: June 18 – August 13 (no programming July 2)
Mondays, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Location: Tarnhill Park

Registration Fee (Resident/Non-Resident): \$57

Registration Deadline: June 1, 2012 or until filled

Activity-Section #: 151-A

ADULT ADAPTIVE SOFTBALL

See Adaptive Recreation Programs (AR&LE) information above.

Questions?

If you have any further questions about inclusion services offered by the City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation, please contact Sacha, Traci or Kari at 952-563-8877 or parksrec@ci.bloomington.mn.us.

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USTA JR. TEAM TENNIS

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Jr. Team Tennis is a traveling program for eager tennis players with a desire to compete as a team against surrounding communities. The program runs Monday through Thursday with each team having a designated match day every week. Home matches will take place at the team's practice site, and away matches will take place throughout the metro area. Transportation to away matches must be provided by the participant. We offer 4 separate classes based on participant age, each of which has its own specific time and site. The program costs includes/ requires a 1-year Annual USTA Jr. Membership, a team shirt, a 1-year digital subscription to SMASH magazine and/or Tennis 15/30 Magazine and qualification to participate in USTA tournaments and events.

Dates: June 18 – July 26
(No programming July 2-6)
Monday - Thursday

Registration Fee: Resident \$85, Non-Resident \$100 (\$19 refunds for valid pre-paid memberships valid through August 31, 2012 will be refunded at the end of June). Not eligible for fee assistance.

Registration Deadline: May 25th, 2012

MATCHES

During the course of the season, players will be expected to attend matches at other locations. Participants must provide their own transportation to these matches. Participants will be notified of meeting times for these matches several days in advance.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- Participants must meet age requirements through August 31, 2012.
- Ability levels will vary within each class.
- Younger participants may register for an OLDER age class if they feel they have enough ability. Participants may NOT play down in a younger age group. Please call Parks and Recreation for more information 952-563-8877.
- Participants may not be able to switch classes after the registration deadline has passed.
- After a class reaches its registration maximum, a waiting list will be created on a first come, first served basis.

WHAT TO BRING EACH DAY

- Tennis Racquet
- Water Bottle
- Sunscreen
- Proper clothing (shorts, hat, and tennis shoes)

WEATHER POLICY

Please dress your child according to the weather. Team Tennis may cancel if the weather is not ideal for programming. Should the weather become severe during the day, the Tennis Coordinator will determine if the program will be cancelled for the day. (The Weather Line number is 952-563-8878, Option 5)

ACTIVITY-SECTION #	WHO	DIVISIONS	WHEN	COURT PRACTICE SITE	CLASS SIZE MIN/MAX	MATCH DAY
114-A*	Boys & Girls Ages 15-18	Intermediate (3.0 & Below)	1:00-3:00 p.m.	Jefferson/Olson	10 / 60	Thursday
114-B	Boys & Girls Ages 13-14	Intermediate (3.0 & Below)	1:00-3:00 p.m.	Valley View	10 / 30	Tuesday
114-C	Boys & Girls Ages 10-12	Novice	3:30-5:30 p.m.	Valley View	10 / 30	Wednesday
* (See below)	Boys & Girls Ages 15-18	Advanced (3.5 & Above)	1:00-3:00 p.m.	Jefferson/Olson	10 / 30	Thursday

* All 15-18 year olds must sign up for the Intermediate Division. Try-outs will be held the first week of practice for the Advanced League. Participants that meet the skill requirements will be placed on the Advanced team during the first week.

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CAMP KOTA

CAMPERS GRADES K-1 & 2-7

Held at East Bush Lake Park, Camp Kota is designed to provide an opportunity for kids to learn basic outdoor skills while meeting new friends, singing crazy songs and having tons of fun. Activities include swimming, singing crazy songs, arts and crafts, singing crazy songs, active games, field trips, singing crazy songs, camp craft activities, singing crazy songs, and, oh yeah, learning outdoor skills such as knot tying, orienteering and setting up a tent.

Sessions for grades 2-7 also include an overnight camping experience! On Thursday night at Sumac Knoll Group Campsite in Hyland Park, kids and camp counselors sleep outside in tents, and truly gain an appreciation for the great outdoors right here in Bloomington.



Our very qualified Camp Counselors lead each session. These young adults bring tons of energy, a wealth of outdoor experience and a strong desire to be leaders for our campers.

Time: 8:30 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.

Limited busing available.

T-shirt is provided, please note size on registration form.

Please note: Campers are not eligible for Summer Spectrum Child Care.

ACTIVITY SECTION#	GRADE	SESSION	DATE	MAX PARTICIPANTS	RESIDENT	NON RESIDENT
115-1A	K-1	Session 1	7/16 – 7/19, Mon. – Thurs.*	40	\$140	\$155
115-1B	2-3	Session 1	7/16 – 7/20, Mon. – Fri.	50	\$170	\$185
115-1C	4-5	Session 1	7/16 – 7/20, Mon. – Fri.	50	\$170	\$185
115-1D	6-7	Session 1	7/16 – 7/20, Mon. – Fri.	20	\$170	\$185
115-2A	K-1	Session 2	7/23 – 7/26, Mon. – Thurs.*	40	\$140	\$155
115-2B	2-3	Session 2	7/23 – 7/27, Mon. – Fri.	50	\$170	\$185
115-2C	4-5	Session 2	7/23 – 7/27, Mon. – Fri.	50	\$170	\$185
115-2D	6-7	Session 2	7/23 – 7/27, Mon. – Fri.	20	\$170	\$185
115-3A	K-1	Session 3	7/30 – 8/2, Mon. – Thurs.*	40	\$140	\$155
115-3B	2-3	Session 3	7/30 – 8/3, Mon. – Fri.	50	\$170	\$185
115-3C	4-5	Session 3	7/30 – 8/3, Mon. – Fri.	50	\$170	\$185
115-3D	6-7	Session 3	7/30 – 8/3, Mon. – Fri.	20	\$170	\$185
115-4A	K-1	Session 4	8/6 – 8/9, Mon. – Thurs.*	40	\$140	\$155
115-4B	2-3	Session 4	8/6 – 8/10, Mon. – Fri.	50	\$170	\$185
115-4C	4-5	Session 4	8/6 – 8/10, Mon. – Fri.	50	\$170	\$185
115-4D	6-7	Session 4	8/6 – 8/10, Mon. – Fri.	20	\$170	\$185

* Kota K-1 will run Monday through Thursday. Families are invited to the parent program and dinner on Thursday nights to see the camper program (no overnight experience for Kota K-1).

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CAMP KOTA

PARENT HANDBOOK

You will receive a camp schedule with your parent handbook 1-2 weeks before your child's camp session. This handbook will have all of the details you will need for your child's week at camp.

FOOD

Campers are expected to bring a bag lunch on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. On Thursday, we'll have an all-camp lunch and the campers will be asked to bring a part of the meal. For the Thursday night Parent Program, we will be having a "bring your own picnic" Friday's breakfast and lunch will be provided. **If your child requires special dietary considerations, please list this on the diet restrictions portion of the registration form.**

RAIN

Kota is held rain or shine; please dress your child accordingly. On rainy days, the campers meet at their regular site and the Camp Director will decide at that time whether or not to seek indoor shelter for the day.

FRIEND REQUEST

If you are sending your child to KOTA with friends, please indicate **one** friend your child would like to have in their group. We will do our best to accomodate your request. Your friend request is more likely to be honored if the friend requests your child on their registration form.



TRANSPORTATION

Campers choosing to use the Kota buses will be picked up at the first bus stops at 7:45 a.m. and dropped off at the first bus stop at 3:05 p.m. (Subject to change - see Parent Handbook). We will be using Bloomington school buses for transportation that will have "Camp Kota" clearly identified in the front window. You will receive the bus schedule in your parent handbook.

When registering your child, please choose one of the following codes for your child's transportation:

- Parent Pick Up/Drop Off.....KPP
- Bike or Walk.....KBW
- Countryside ParkKW7
- Haeg ParkKE1
- Kelly Park.....KE5
- Oak Grove Elementary Bus LoopKE6
- Olson Elementary Bus Loop.....KW2
- Poplar Bridge ParkKW4
- Reynolds Park.....KW5
- Ridgeview Elementary Bus LoopKW3
- Running ParkKE4
- Smith ParkKE2
- Southwood Center Bus LoopKW1
- Sunrise Park.....KW6
- Valley View Elementary Bus Loop.....KE3

JUNIOR COUNSELORS NEEDED!

Are you too old for Camp Kota, but still want in on the fun? Apply to be a Junior Counselor! For more information, call Parks and Recreation at 952-563-8877. Complete an online application at www.ci.bloomington.mn.us. Keyword: "parks and rec volunteer". You must complete the "Camp Kota JC" application. Deadline to apply is Friday, March 9 at 4:00 p.m.

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SUMMER ADVENTURE PLAYGROUNDS & FIELD TRIPS



SUMMER ADVENTURE PLAYGROUNDS

Enjoy an AWESOME summer of FUN in a local neighborhood park! Enjoy games, sports, arts and crafts, and special events. Participants will be supervised by adult instructors experienced in recreation and working with children.

Dates: June 18 - August 16 (No programming July 2 - 6, check out the Playground Partnership Program for these dates.) **Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays** (See Field Trip and Swim Trip details for Wednesday and Friday programming.)

Times: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Sites: Brye, Kelly*, Poplar Bridge, Running*, Sunrise and Westwood Parks

***Sack lunch provided daily for FREE at Kelly & Running**

Ages: 6-12 years old

Registration Fee:

On or before June 3 - Resident \$60, Non-Resident \$75

On or after June 4 - Resident \$65, Non-Resident \$75

Registration Deadline: Registrations are accepted all summer with NO prorating of fees.

ACTIVITY- SECTION #	LOCATION
110-A	Brye Park
110-B	Kelly Park
110-C	Poplar Bridge Park
110-D	Running Park
110-F	Sunrise Park
110-G	Westwood Park

GENERAL POLICIES

We are not a daycare. We offer opportunities for children to come to neighborhood parks and participate in a fun, supervised, and safe program. This is a drop-in program so kids can come and go as they please. Parents/Guardians are encouraged to set boundaries and communicate limits with their children before they attend the program.

PLEASE BRING:

- Your own lunch and snacks. Children may go off-site to eat lunch, or they may bring a sack lunch.

Sack lunch provided at Kelly and Running.

- Please dress your child according to the weather.
- Sunscreen
- Water Bottle

WEATHER POLICY

Playgrounds may close if the weather is not ideal for programming. Should the weather become severe during the day, the Playground Coordinator will determine if the program will be cancelled for the day. (The Weather Line number is 952-563-8878, Option 5)

NEW! SUMMER ADVENTURE PLAYGROUNDS DAILY AT SMITH PARK

Dates: June 18 - August 17 (No program July 2 - 6, check out the Playground Partnership Program for these dates.)

Monday-Friday

Times: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Site: Smith Park ***Sack Lunch provided daily for FREE!**

Ages: 6-12 years old

Registration Fees:

On or before June 3 - Resident \$95, Non-Resident \$120

On or after June 4 - Resident \$105, Non-Resident \$120

Registration Dealine: Registrations are accepted all summer with NO prorating of fees.

Activity Section #: 110-E

SUMMER ADVENTURE WEDNESDAY FIELD TRIPS

Dates: June 20 - August 15 (No trip July 4)

Wednesdays Only

Times: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

We will play before and after the trips. Bring a sack lunch for the trip. Arrive at pick-up site by 9:00 a.m. in order to attend the trips. **NO drop-offs or early pick-up from the trip destination are allowed!**

Bus Pick-Up Sites: Running (PGRU), Poplar Bridge (PGPB) and Westwood (PGWW) - when registering your child, please choose a code for their pick-up site.

Ages: 6-12 years old

Registration Fees: Resident \$16/Trip, Non-Resident \$21/Trip. (Non-refundable/non-transferable). Not eligible for fee assistance.

T-shirt is provided, please note size on registration form.

Registration Deadlines: Monday prior to the date of the trip by 11:59 p.m.

ACTIVITY- SECTION #	DATE	TRIP
111-1A	June 20	Skateville
111-1B	June 27	Hyland Park Fun Day & Bush Lake
111-1C	July 11	Cascade Bay
111-1D	July 18	Vertical Endeavors - Indoor Climbing Facility
<i>*Additional Waiver required for participation (see below).</i>		
111-1E	July 25	Como Zoo and the NEW Como Pool
111-1F	August 1	SandVenture Aquatic Park
111-1G	August 8	Sky Zone Indoor Trampoline Park
<i>*Limited # of spots. Additional waiver required (see below).</i>		
111-1H	August 15	Apple Valley Aquatic Center

** Vertical Endeavors & Sky Zone require a waiver signed by a parent/guardian to participate. Waivers are available through our online registration system at www.ci.bloomington.mn.us (Keywords: Field Trips).*



WEDNESDAY FIELD TRIPS / FRIDAY SWIM TRIPS

FIELD TRIPS CONTINUED...

LOCATIONS

Wednesday field trips visit various locations throughout the summer. No supervision is provided at the site while the group is away from the playground on the trip.

PLEASE BRING

A sack lunch, water bottle, field trip T-shirt, sunscreen, tennis shoes and appropriate clothing. Remember to bring a swimsuit and towel on swimming field trips.

Skateville and SkyZone require socks and Vertical Endeavors requires socks and tennis shoes.

WEATHER POLICY

Trips may cancel if the weather is not ideal for programming. Should the weather become severe during the day, the Coordinator will determine if the program will be cancelled for the day. If available an indoor option may be substituted. (The weather line number is 952-563-8878, Option 5.)

SUMMER ADVENTURE FRIDAY SWIM TRIPS

We will visit the Bloomington Family Aquatic Center (BFAC) or Bush Lake Beach for an afternoon of swimming.

Dates: June 22 - August 17 (No trip July 6)

Fridays Only

Times: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. We will play before and after the field trips. Please bring a sack lunch for the trip.* Arrive at pick-up site by 11:00 a.m. in order to attend the trips, **(Exception: July 13, must arrive by 9:30 a.m.)**

NO drop-offs or early pick-ups from the trip destination are allowed!

Bus Pick-Up Sites: Running* (PGRU), Polar Bridge (PGPB) and Westwood (PGWW) - when registering your child, please choose a code for their pick-up site.

***Sack lunch is provided for FREE at Running**

Ages: 6-12 years old

Registration Fees: Resident \$5/Trip, Non-Resident \$10/Trip (Non-refundable/non-transferable) Not eligible for fee assistance.

T-shirt is provided, please note size on registration form.

Registration Deadlines: Monday prior to the date of the trip by 11:59 p.m.

ACTIVITY - SECTION

DATE

LOCATION

111-2A	June 22	BFAC
111-2B	June 29	Bush Lake
111-2C	July 13	BFAC
Includes SAFETY BOOT CAMP Must arrive at parks by 9:30 a.m.		
111-2D	July 20	BFAC
111-2E	July 27	BFAC
111-2F	August 3	BFAC
111-2G	August 10	Bush Lake
111-2H	August 17	BFAC

NO SUPERVISION PROVIDED

No supervision is provided at the site while the group is away from the playground on the trip.

PLEASE BRING

A sack lunch, water bottle, field trip T-shirt, sunscreen, swimsuit and towel. Sack lunch provided FREE at Running.

WEATHER POLICY

Trips may cancel if the weather is not ideal for programming. Should the weather become severe during the day, the Coordinator will determine if the program will be cancelled for the day. If available an indoor option may be substituted or we may play at the playground site. (The Weather Line number is 952-563-8878, Option 5.)



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OUT OF THIS WORLD ADVENTURES



“Galaxy Summer of Service”

Come join us at Valley View Middle School for a Summer of Service. All youth will be empowered to work together and serve others in the community through service learning projects and other daily activities that include sports, cooking, arts and crafts, Sparks and leadership opportunities. Youth will also have the opportunity to spend afternoons at the Bloomington Family Aquatic Center.

Dates: June 18 – August 17
(No programming July 2 – 6)

Monday - Friday

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Location: Valley View Middle School

Grade: 6th– 8th (11-14 years of age)

Transportation: Bus transportation is available to Summer Galaxy (see Summer Spectrum routes) and from Summer Galaxy.

Lunch: Sack lunches will be provided daily.

Registration Fee: \$200 for all summer or \$50 per week.

ACTIVITY-SECTION #	DATES	FEE
113-BA	June 18 - August 17	\$200
113-B1	June 18 - June 22	\$50
113-B2	June 25- June 29	\$50
REMINDER: No program July 2-6		
113-B3	July 9 - July 13	\$50
113-B4	July 16 - July 20	\$50
113-B5	July 23 - July 27	\$50
113-B6	July 30 - August 3	\$50
113-B7	August 6 - August 10	\$50
113-B8	August 13 - August 17	\$50



“Playgrounds at the View”

Join your friends for an AWESOME summer of FUN at Valley View Middle School as an additional Playground Site. Activities include: games, sports, arts and crafts and swimming at the Bloomington Family Aquatic Center in the afternoon. Participants will be supervised by adult instructors experienced in recreation and working with children.

Dates: June 18 - August 17 (No programming July 2 - 6, check out the Playground Partnership Program for these dates).

Monday - Friday

Times: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Location: Valley View Middle School

Transportation: Participants may use Spectrum busing for morning transportation (see route information in the Summer Spectrum catalog). No afternoon transportation is provided.

Ages: 6-10 years old

Registration Fee:

On or before June 3: Resident \$95, Non-Resident \$120

On or after June 4: Resident \$105, Non-Resident \$120

Sack lunch is provided daily for FREE!

Activity-Section #: 113-A

We are not a daycare. We offer opportunities for children to come to neighborhood parks and participate in a fun, supervised and safe program. This is a drop-in program so kids can come and go as they please. Parents/Guardians are encouraged to set boundaries and communicate limits with their children before they attend the program.

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PLAYGROUND PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

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Join your friends for an AWESOME experience at Westwood or Smith Park the week of July 4 and the two weeks before school starts. Activities include: games, sports, and arts and crafts. Supported and funded by Bloomington Crime Prevention, Oak Grove Presbyterian Church, City of Bloomington, Bloomington Public Schools and Normandale Highlands United Methodist Church.

Dates: July 2 - July 6 (No programming Wednesday, July 4), August 20 - 24 and August 27 - 31; Monday - Friday

Times: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Park Locations: Westwood Park & Smith Park

Ages: 6-12 years old

Registration Fee: FREE (Emergency contact and registration form required)

***Sack lunch is provided daily for FREE!**

ACTIVITY-SECTION #	SESSION	LOCATION	MAX
112-A1	July 2-6	Westwood Park	75
112-A2	Aug 20-24	Westwood Park	75
112-A3	Aug 27-31	Westwood Park	75
112-B1	July 2-6	Smith Park	75
112-B2	Aug 20-24	Smith Park	75
112-B3	Aug 27-31	Smith Park	75

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PLEASE BRING:

- Please dress your child according to the weather.
- Sunscreen
- Water Bottle

WEATHER POLICY

Playgrounds may close if the weather is not ideal for programming. Should weather become severe during the day, the Recreation Supervisor will determine if the program will be cancelled. (Weather line is 952-563-8878, Option 5)



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DAKOTA LANGUAGE CAMP

A unique approach to language learning for both Dakota and non-Dakota children, the Dakota Language Camp provides an introduction to one of Minnesota's native languages. No classrooms here – all learning is through hands-on experiences of traditional Dakota games, crafts, songs, dancing and foods. Students will participate in setting up a tipi, then go inside to learn how it was used and furnished. As Dakota culture is rooted in the land, many words are learned during nature walks on the beautiful trails of Pond Dakota Mission Park, situated on the Minnesota River. Teachers with Dakota ancestry will also explain Dakota values and history.

This camp is held in the 40-acre Pond Dakota Mission Park, where the historic Pond House is located. The house was built by Rev. Gideon Pond, who with his brother Samuel, were the first to write down the Dakota language in 1834.

The Dakota Language camp is a joint venture of Bloomington Parks and Recreation and the Dakota Language Department of the University of Minnesota, which creates the program content and provides experienced teaching staff.

Dates: August 14, 15 & 16, 2012

Time: 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Where: Pond Dakota Mission Park
401 East 104th Street, Bloomington, MN 55420

Ages: K-6, Parents encouraged to attend

Fee: \$40

Activity-Section #: 160-A

Registration deadline: August 7, 2012

Maximum participants: 100

Not eligible for fee assistance, but a limited number of scholarships may be available.

SAFETY BOOT CAMP

Attend a morning of fun safety activities. You will be able to participate and learn through the help of Bloomington's finest divisions: Police, Fire, Environmental Health, Public Health, Parks Maintenance and Parks and Recreation.

Date: Friday, July 13, 2012

Time: 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Where: Bloomington Civic Plaza Amphitheater,
1800 W. Old Shakpee Rd, Bloomington, MN 55431

Fee: FREE!

All ages welcome!



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SWIMMING & WATER SAFETY LEVELS/SKILLS

The City of Bloomington offers a comprehensive, age appropriate, and fun aquatics program that teaches how to swim skillfully and safely. The prerequisites for each level are the successful demonstration of skills from the preceding level, except for Jellyfish, whose prerequisite is a minimum of 5 years of age.

SWIMMING LESSON CLASS DESCRIPTIONS:

AQUATOTS – PARENT AND CHILD:

(Ages 1-3) This basic water orientation class is designed to guide the parent in teaching skills to their child. The instructor moves around to each parent and child pair describing and demonstrating the appropriate skills to try with their child. No diapers are allowed in the water other than swim diapers. This class may be repeated more than once. 30 minute class.

KEY COMPONENTS

- Getting wet and adjusting to the water with toys
- Blowing bubbles
- Submerging mouth, nose, and eyes
- Front and back floats and glides
- Rolling from front to back and back to front
- Passing child from instructor to parent
- Leg actions on front and back

CLOWNFISH: (Ages 4-5)

This class introduces the child to a structured lesson with an emphasis on having fun. They will work on getting face wet, basic supported float techniques, as well as other essential skills. 30 minute class.

KEY COMPONENTS

- Blowing bubbles and bobbing
- Submerging mouth, nose, and eyes
- Open eyes under water and retrieve submerged objects
- Front and back floats and glides
- Front glide and recover to a vertical position
- Rolling from front to back and back to front
- Treading water with arm and hand actions
- Combined arm and leg actions on front and back

JELLYFISH - (1): (Age 5 and up)

This introductory class is designed to help students feel comfortable and have fun in the water. They will work on getting face wet, basic supported float techniques, as well as other essential skills. No prior swimming lesson is required. 40 minute class.

KEY COMPONENTS

- Blowing bubbles and bobbing
- Open eyes under water and retrieve submerged objects
- Front and back floats and glides
- Recover to a vertical position from a front glide and back float or glide
- Rolling from front to back and back to front
- Treading water with arm and hand actions
- Combined arm and leg actions on front and back



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SWIMMING & WATER SAFETY LEVELS/SKILLS CONTINUED

LEARN-TO-SWIM

Based on a logical, six-level progression that helps swimmers of all ages and varying abilities develop their swimming and water safety skills. It is designed to give participants a positive learning experience.

STARFISH - (2): In this class students will learn and practice fundamental skills. 40 minute class.

KEY COMPONENTS

- Enter water by stepping or jumping from the side
- Fully submerge face and head – bobbing
- Open eyes under water and retrieve submerged objects
- Independent floats
- Front and back glides
- Recover from a front and back float or glide to a vertical position
- Rolling from front to back and back to front
- Change direction of travel while swimming on front and back
- Tread water using arm and leg actions
- Combined arm and leg actions on front and back

SEA HORSE- (3A): This class will build on skills learned in the Starfish class and will introduce deeper water to the student. 40 minute class.

KEY COMPONENTS

- Enter water by jumping from the side
- Headfirst entry from the side in sitting and kneeling positions
- Bobbing while moving toward safety
- Rotary breathing
- Survival float and back float
- Change from vertical to horizontal position on front and back
- Tread water in deep water
- Glide in streamline position and add a kick on front
- Front and back crawl
- Dolphin kick

SEA TURTLE- (3B): This class will build on skills learned in the Sea Horse class and will introduce elementary backstroke and scissors kick. 40 minute class.

KEY COMPONENTS

- Headfirst entry from the side in sitting and kneeling positions
- Rotary breathing
- Tread water in deep water
- Glide in streamline position and add a kick on back
- Front and back crawl
- Elementary backstroke
- Introduce scissors and breaststroke kick

STINGRAY- (4): This class will focus on improving skills from the Sea Turtle class and will introduce breaststroke and sidestroke. 40 minute class.

KEY COMPONENTS

- Headfirst entry from the side in compact and stride positions
- Underwater swimming
- Feet first surface dive
- Tread water using two different kicks
- Breaststroke and sidestroke
- Open turns for front and back crawl
- Other stroke improvements with introduction to endurance swimming

SHARKS- (5): This class provides further coordination and refinement of strokes learned in previous classes along with developing endurance. 40 minute class.

KEY COMPONENTS

- Tuck and pike surface dives
- Stroke refinement and endurance
- Tread water
- Standard scull on back
- Butterfly introduced

DOLPHINS- (6): This class refines the strokes so the student swims them with ease, efficiency, and power over greater distances. Competitive swimming techniques are introduced. 40 minute class.

KEY COMPONENTS

- Shallow-angle dive from the side then glide and begin a front stroke
- Competitive swimming starts from wall and blocks
- Endurance and circle swimming
- Front flip turns and backstroke flip turn while swimming
- Stroke refinement and fine tuning of skills
- Water rescue skills using lifesaving equipment



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2012 OUTDOOR SWIMMING LESSONS

BLOOMINGTON FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER (BFAC)

301 EAST 90TH ST
BLOOMINGTON, MN 55420
SUMMER PHONE: 952-563-4634

Lessons are conducted in the City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation Division outdoor pool.

SESSION 1

July 9 - July 19, Monday - Thursday

Class	Time	Activity-Section #
Aquatots	9:30-10 a.m.	121-PC
Clownfish	9:30-10 a.m.	121-PA
Jellyfish	10:10-10:50 a.m.	121-P1
Starfish	10:10-10:50 a.m.	121-P2
Sea Horse	10:10-10:50 a.m.	121-P3
Sea Turtle	10:10-10:50 a.m.	121-P4
Stingray	10:10-10:50 a.m.	121-P5
Sharks	10:10-10:50 a.m.	121-P6
Dolphins	10:10-10:50 a.m.	121-P7

SESSION 2

July 23- August 2, Monday - Thursday

Class	Time	Activity-Section #
Aquatots	9:30-10 a.m.	122-PC
Clownfish	9:30-10 a.m.	122-PA
Jellyfish	10:10-10:50 a.m.	122-P1
Starfish	10:10-10:50 a.m.	122-P2
Sea Horse	10:10-10:50 a.m.	122-P3
Sea Turtle	10:10-10:50 a.m.	122-P4
Stingray	10:10-10:50 a.m.	122-P5
Sharks	10:10-10:50 a.m.	122-P6
Dolphins	10:10-10:50 a.m.	122-P7

Registration Policies:

- Deadline to register: one week prior to the start of the session by (by 4 p.m. Monday)
- Payment must accompany registrations. You will not be considered registered until payment has been received.

BUSH LAKE BEACH

9140 E. BUSH LAKE RD
BLOOMINGTON, MN 55438
SUMMER PHONE: 952-563-4731

Lessons are conducted in a lake setting. The beach is owned and operated by the City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation Division.

SESSION 1

July 9 - July 19, Monday - Thursday

Class	Time	Activity-Section #
Jellyfish	6:10-6:50 p.m.	121-B1
Starfish	6:10-6:50 p.m.	121-B2
Sea Horse	6:10-6:50 p.m.	121-B3
Sea Turtle	6:10-6:50 p.m.	121-B4

SESSION 2

July 23 - August 2, Monday - Thursday

Class	Time	Activity-Section #
Jellyfish	6:10-6:50 p.m.	122-B1
Starfish	6:10-6:50 p.m.	122-B2
Sea Horse	6:10-6:50 p.m.	122-B3
Sea Turtle	6:10-6:50 p.m.	122-B4

Fees (per session):

30 minute class \$52.50
40 minute class \$63.00

Minimum and Maximum for Classes

Aquatots Parent and Child: 6 minimum / 15 maximum
(1 adult required per child)

30 minute class: 4 minimum / 6 maximum

40 minute class: 4 minimum / 8 maximum

Weather/Class Make-ups:

- There are no make-ups for missed classes on the participant's part. There are no refunds or credits given for missed classes.
- To find out if a class is canceled due to weather, please call the site's main number one hour before the start of class.
Bush Lake Beach – 952-563-4731
BFAC (pool) – 952-563-4634
- If a class is cancelled by Parks and Recreation the last Friday of the session is used as a class make-up day.

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