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In-District Registration
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SmartRec

New Registration Software

Last season, we launched a new registration software called SmartRec. Some of the benefits of the new system includes:

- Easier registration experience
- A more user-friendly platform to manage
- A mobile app to make the process even easier when not at home or work

In order to register for Park District programs, you need to set up a SmartRec account. Please scan the QR code below to be taken to the page on our website to set up your account.

As part of our transition to the new SmartRec system, we are introducing a 3% service fee on all credit card transactions to help cover rising processing costs. Each year, the Buffalo Grove Park District pays tens of thousands of dollars in credit card processing fees. Up until now, we've absorbed these costs - money that could otherwise be reinvested into maintaining parks and facilities, improving programs, and supporting community services. To be more fiscally responsible, we will begin applying a 3% service fee to all credit card payments. You can avoid this fee by switching to ACH (eCheck) payments in your SmartRec account - a simple and secure option that will remain fee-free.



UPCOMING SPRING HIGHLIGHTS

at the Buffalo Grove Park District



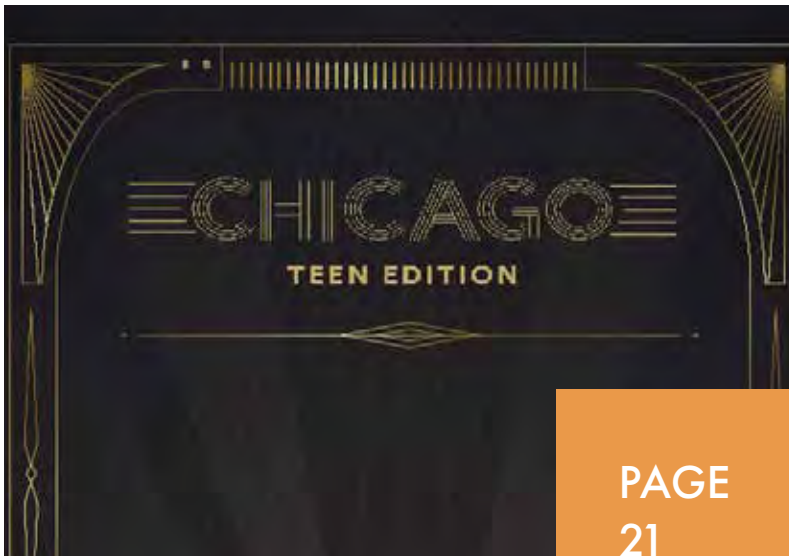
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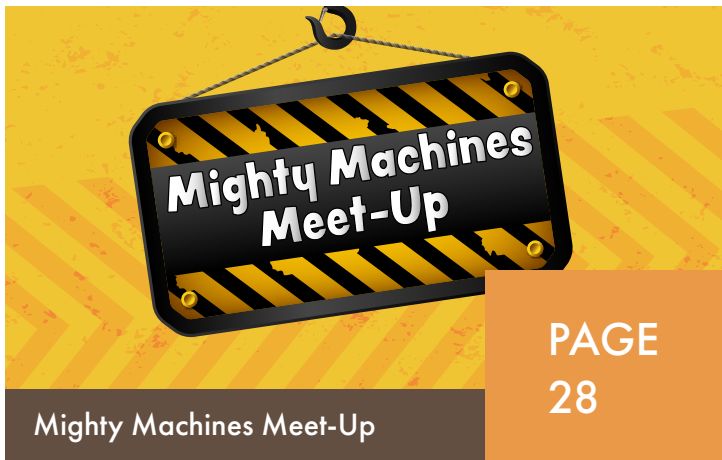
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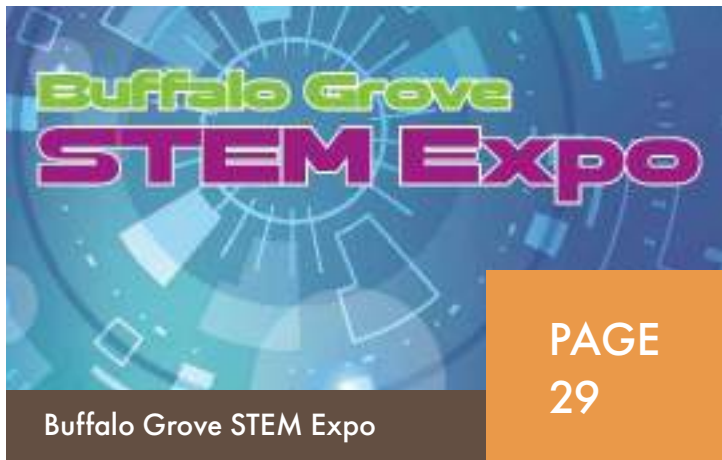
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Preschool Open House

Dear Buffalo Grove Resident:

On behalf of all of us here at the Buffalo Grove Park District, I hope you and your family had a wonderful holiday season and a Happy New Year! And while the temperatures outside feel like spring might never get here, all of us at the Park District are getting ready for our favorite time of year – when we all start going back outside and enjoying the beautiful parks that we have here in Buffalo Grove.

One of our favorite events to kick off spring is the annual Kite Fly at Reiner Park. This event gets more and more popular every year. Details are available on page 27. Another popular annual event is our Mighty Machine Meet-Up, where kids are able to sit in the driver's seat of trucks and other equipment. For this event, we partner with the Village of Buffalo Grove's Public Works Department to bring the community an even bigger and more hands-on experience. For more information, see page 21.

New this year, we have partnered with the Buffalo Grove 4C STEM Club to bring a brand-new event – the Buffalo Grove STEM Expo. Whether you're a student in grades 6 – 12 that wants to showcase a project or a community member that wants to show support and see all the exciting projects that the students are working on, we want to invite everyone to attend the first of what we hope to be an annual event. See page 28 for details.

We also have a wide variety of fun programs planned for people of all ages. Whether you enjoy volleyball, practicing your golf game indoors, playing Bingo or cards, working out at the Fitness Center, or want to take on a new hobby, there is something for everyone throughout the pages of this program guide. Taking time for yourself is important, and your Park District makes it easy to do that.

The last thing I'd like to highlight is our Annual Impact Report. In years past, we gave an annual summary to the community in fall that reflected our fiscal year (May – April). We've made some changes to what that report looks like and moved it to spring so that we could reflect on the previous calendar year. You can find the Annual Impact Report on page 16. We hope you find it interesting and that it gives you insight to all the great things we are doing here at the Buffalo Grove Park District.

I hope you and your family have a great spring, and enjoy the beautiful parks that we have here in Buffalo Grove.



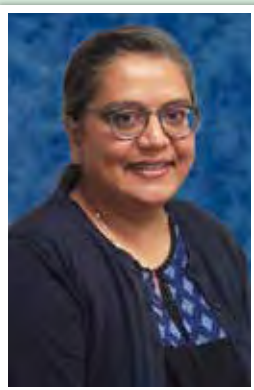
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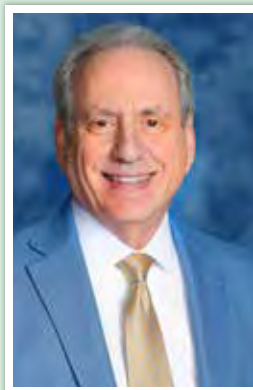
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Executive Director
Buffalo Grove Park District

Board of Commissioners

The Buffalo Grove Park District Park Board of Commissioners are 5 elected officials, each serving 4-year terms. The Board is primarily a policymaking body that reflects the needs and interests of all taxpayers. Your personal participation is an integral part of this decision-making process. The Park Board usually meets the second and fourth Monday each month at 6 pm. For a complete listing of Board meeting dates, visit the Board of Commissioners page of our website at bgparks.org. Please feel welcome to attend.



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Community Input Meeting

Planning for Programming and Park Amenities

Thursday, May 14 at the Alcott Center - 530 Bernard Drive

6 - 7:30 pm

Rooms 10 & 11



Join us for a Community Input Meeting to share your thoughts and hear updates on ongoing projects. We'll also discuss current programming and park amenities. These meetings will be held quarterly moving forward, with topics varying each session based on community interests and updates. Your feedback is valuable as we work together to enhance our community spaces. All are welcome!

Facilities & Program Registration

Adriane Johnson Amphitheater

951 McHenry Road

Alcott Center

530 Bernard Drive

847.850.2100

TTY: Dial 7-1-1 or 800.526.0844

Fax: 847.459.5741

Email: info@bgparks.org

Community Arts Center

225 McHenry Road

847.850.2175

Fax: 847.850.2140

Emmerich Park

150 Raupp Boulevard

847.850.2195

Fitness Center

601 W. Deerfield Parkway

847.353.7500

Fax: 847.353.7530

Golf Dome

801 McHenry Road

847.353.7575

Raupp Museum

901 Dunham Lane

847.850.2135

Rick Drazner Park

401 Aptakasic Road

847.478.8721

Spray 'N Play

951 McHenry Road

847.353.7566

Willow Stream Pool

600 N. Farrington Drive

847.850.2138

Alcott Center Front Desk & Registration Hours

Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 5 pm

Saturday & Sunday Closed

Online, drop-off, and fax registration are available 24 hours a day. The drop-off box is located in the Alcott Center parking lot. Register by fax at 847.459.5741.

Drop-off and faxed registration forms received after office hours will be processed the next business day. Please call 847.850.2100 with any questions.

Alcott Center Holiday Hours

April 5 Easter Closed

May 23 Memorial Day Weekend Closed

May 24 Memorial Day Weekend Closed

May 25 Memorial Day Weekend Closed

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AFO - Aquatic Facility Operator

AIA - American Institute of Architects

CDT - Construction Documents Technologist

CEAS - Certified Ergonomic Assessment Specialist

CPO - Certified Pool Operator

CPRE - Certified Parks and Recreation Executive

CPRP - Certified Parks and Recreation Professional

CPSI - Certified Playground Safety Inspector

CSFM - Certified Sports Field Manager

ISA - International Society of Arboriculture

MBA - Masters in Business Administration

NCARB - National Council of Architecture

Registration Boards

PHR - Professional in Human Resources



Buffalo Grove Park District Mission Statement

Enriching life and community
through premier parks,
programs, and facilities.

Adopted January 2013.

Registration Information

General Program Registration Dates

In-District Registration

Begins: Tuesday, February 3 at 8:30 am

Out-of-District Registration

Begins: Tuesday, February 10 at 8:30 am

All registrations received prior to the above dates and times will be processed at random.

Please note: All programs that are available for online registration are first-come, first-served and will fill up quickly.



Registration Information

The Park District's registration process was developed to permit fair access to Park District programs and services for all of our residents.

- Complete your registration form(s), including second-choice programs and signature
Unsigned forms or incorrect payments will delay the registration process. Online registration is the fastest and easiest way to register for programs.

Waitlists

Waitlists are created when we have more registrations for a program than we have space. If an activity is full and you join the waitlist, you will get an email confirming that you are on the waitlist. If a spot opens up, you will receive an email notifying you. If you do not respond in the amount of time indicated, the next person on the waitlist will be offered the spot.

Second-Choice Programs

Selecting a second choice increases the likelihood of getting into a program. Please pay the total of the highest fees. If your payment is less than the necessary total, your registration cannot be processed. If the program you want is full, we will place you in your second-choice program. If both programs are full, you will be placed on a waitlist for your first-choice program.

Refunds

- Full refunds will be issued for any program canceled by the Park District.
- Participants may request refunds for programs up to 5 business days before the program's first meeting. In athletic programs and leagues, the program is considered to begin with its first practice.
- Refunds received with less than 5 business days' notice will be issued only for a medical problem when accompanied by a doctor's note.
- Refunds for trips and contractual workshops will be issued only if the spot can be filled from the waitlist.
- Once a program has ended, a refund will not be issued.
- A \$5 administration fee will be charged against refunds, including medical problems, to cover clerical and administrative costs. There are no administrative fees charged when a program is canceled by the Park District.
- Program fees paid by credit card will be credited back to that card. All other payment types will be refunded by check. If you used a credit card for the original transaction, the 3% processing fee charged at the time of registration is nonrefundable.
- If you register online and would like to withdraw, complete a registration change form and email it to registrar@bgparks.org, or fax it to 847.459.5741.
- Refund processing takes 2 weeks.


Receipts

A confirmation of registration will be sent to you electronically if an email address has been provided. If not, a receipt will be mailed to the address on the registration form. To obtain a past receipt, send an email to registrar@bgparks.org. Please allow 5 days for processing.

Program Changes & Cancellations

- Programs are sometimes canceled or altered due to low registration, changes in staff, or facility availability.
- If your receipt indicates a program has been canceled or altered, please contact the Park District right away at 847.850.2100. We may be able to transfer your registration to another program of your choice.
- You will receive a full refund for a program that has been canceled by the Park District, including any credit card processing fees.

Senior Discount

In-district residents aged 62 and over are entitled to a 15% discount on recreation opportunities through the Park District except contractual programs and trips. Programs marked with this symbol  indicates that the program is eligible for the 15% discounted fee. This applies only to programs listed in the Adult Programs, Adult Sports, and Fitness and Wellness sections. All eligible programs in the Club 50 sections already have the discount applied.

Park District Advantages

If you live within the boundaries of the Buffalo Grove Park District, you are entitled to:

- Registration for limited programs before they are opened to those who live out-of-district.
- Pre-registration for certain continuing programs.
- In-district rates for all programs.

The boundaries of the Buffalo Grove Park District and the Village of Buffalo Grove are not exactly the same. Some neighborhoods at the edges of Wheeling and Arlington Heights are in the Buffalo Grove Park District boundary. Other neighborhoods within the Village of Buffalo Grove are outside the Park District. If you are not certain whether you qualify as a resident of the District, please check your property tax bill, or contact our registration office at 847.850.2100.

Out-of-District Fair Share Fees

Those who live within the boundaries of the Buffalo Grove Park District make significant contributions to the operation of the agency through their property taxes. This contribution is beyond the fees they pay for programs and services. The fair share fee policy was adopted by the Park District's Board of Commissioners to equalize this financial burden. Fair share fees will be 25% more than the in-district fee up to a maximum of \$100.

Registration Form

Part 1 » Family Information - Please Print Clearly

Head of Household Last Name: _____ Address: _____ City: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: _____ Alternate Phone: _____

Guardian(s): _____ Email: _____

Part 2 » Fill in 1st and 2nd choice programs for each participant, paying the higher of the 2 fees when including 2nd choice programs.

Participant's Name	Gender	Birthdate	Program Name	Start Date	Season	Time Program Meets	Fee
			1st Choice				
			2nd Choice				
			1st Choice				
			2nd Choice				
			1st Choice				
			2nd Choice				
			1st Choice				
			2nd Choice				

Please describe any allergies or other accommodations needed for your enjoyment of this program: _____

Credit Balances of \$10 or less will be applied to your account.

Total Fees = \$ _____

Part 3 » Signature

Waiver and Release of All Claims - Must be signed or registration cannot be processed.

Please read this form carefully and be aware that in registering yourself or your minor child/ward for participation in Buffalo Grove Park District programs and events, you will be waiving and releasing all claims for injuries you or your child/ward might sustain arising out of said programs or events.

I recognize and acknowledge that there are certain risks of physical injury to participants in the program(s) or event(s), including transportation services, for which I have registered and I agree to assume the full risk of any such injuries, damages, or loss, regardless of severity, which I or my child/ward may sustain as a result of participating in any activities connected or associated with any such program(s) or event(s), including transportation services. I waive and relinquish all claims I or my child/ward may have against the Park District and its officers, agents, servants, and employees as a result of participation in any of these program(s) or event(s), including transportation services. I hereby fully release and discharge the Park District and its officers, agents, servants, and employees from any and all claims from injuries, damage, or loss which I or my child/ward may have or which may accrue to me or my child/ward on account of my participation or the participation of my child/ward in any of these program(s) or event(s), including transportation services. I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless and defend the Park District and its officers, agents, servants, and employees from any and all claims resulting from injuries, damages, and losses sustained by me or by my child/ward, and arising out, connected with, or in any way associated with the activities of any of the program(s) or event(s), including transportation services. Photo Disclaimer: Registrants and participants of programs and special events permit the Park District to take photos and videos of themselves and/or their child/ward for publication in the program brochure, website, social media, and additional uses as the Park District deems necessary unless the registrant or participant expressly files with the Park District a written objection as to photos or videos of themselves and/or their child/ward.

I have read and fully understand the program details and waiver and release of all claims.

Signature of Participant (or of parent if participant is under 18) _____ Printed Name _____ Date _____

Part 4 » Fill in credit card or ACH information

<p>This section must be filled out if you are using Visa, Mastercard, American Express or Discover.</p> <p>Charge My: <input type="radio"/> Visa <input type="radio"/> Mastercard <input type="radio"/> AMEX <input type="radio"/> Discover</p> <p>Card holder name (print) _____</p> <p>Card number _____</p> <p>Expiration Date _____ CVV _____</p> <p>Amount of Payment _____</p> <p>Authorized Signature _____</p> <p>Please note: There is a 3% service fee on all credit card transactions. To avoid paying a credit card fee, register online and pay with ACH (eCheck) payments.</p>	<p>This section must be filled out if you are using ACH</p> <p>Account Holder Name _____</p> <p>ACH Bank _____</p> <p>ACH Number _____</p> <p>ACH Routing _____</p> <p>Please Note: All information listed will appear on your account. Due to internet security precautions, payment is accepted via fax, mail, drop box, or in-person. Credit card information should not be sent via email.</p>
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Part 5 » Return to the Park District

Mail in, Drop off or Fax it in!



Buffalo Grove Park District
530 Bernard Drive Buffalo Grove, IL
60089



Fax Us! 847.459.5741

General Information

Americans with Disabilities Act

The Buffalo Grove Park District will comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), which prohibits discrimination in the provision of programs, services, or activities to individuals with disabilities. We invite any resident with any special need to contact our staff or our special recreation staff upon registration so that a smooth inclusion may occur. In addition to the programs listed within our program guide, our district also provides specialized services for people with disabilities through the Northwest Special Recreation Association (NWSRA). Feel free to contact NWSRA at 847.392.2848 for more information.

If you have questions regarding the Park District's ADA policy or believe that you have been unfairly discriminated against in the provision of services or activities at the Buffalo Grove Park District, contact Laurie Hoffman, our ADA compliance officer for facilities, at 847.850.2115, or Erika Strojinc, our ADA compliance officer for programs, at 847.850.2133. A procedure is available to you for the prompt resolution of your complaint.

Please attach a description of any modifications needed to your registration form. This procedure will help ensure your enjoyment of our programs and events.

Illinois Relay Center

The Buffalo Grove Park District encourages people who have hearing or speech impairments to use the Illinois Relay Center if they wish to call the Park District. The service is available at no cost to those using a TDD or TTY.

If you use a TDD or TTY and want to call the Park District or someone who uses a standard telephone, the communications assistant will voice your typed words to the person using a standard telephone and type the standard phone users words to you.

To use this service:

1. Dial 7-1-1 or 800.526.0844.
2. When the Communications Assistant answers, type the telephone number of the person you want to call.
3. When the person answers, proceed as you would with a regular TTY call. Direct your conversation to the person you are calling, not to the communications assistant.
4. Type "GA" when you are ready for the other person to respond. When you are finished with your conversation, end the call by typing "GA" or "SK" (stop keying), giving the person you are calling an opportunity to continue or end the call.

Changes/Errors Disclaimer

Due to the large amount of information available in the Buffalo Grove Park District program guide, errors before or after publication may occur. We apologize for any errors in this publication, and we will advise you of any changes as quickly as possible. We will also attempt to keep information on our website at bgparks.org as current as possible. Thank you for your patience and understanding when these situations occur.

Photo Disclaimer

Registrants and participants of programs and special events permit the Buffalo Grove Park District to take photos and videos of themselves and their children for publication in the program guide, website, and additional uses as the Park District deems necessary unless the registrant or participant expressly files with the Park District a written objection as to photos or videos of themselves and/or their children.

Facilities

All facilities participants are expected to follow the rules of the facilities. Specialty areas of the facilities (example: Fitness Center and the pools) have posted signs stating special rules specific to that area. Disregard or abuse of facility rules may result in removal by staff or police from the facility for a designated length of time or permanently.

Observers

Observers of programs are also expected to behave appropriately. Parents, friends, and any other observer are held to the same standards of behavior as participants. If inappropriate behavior of a program observer is reported or observed by a staff person, the observer will be asked to leave by staff or police if necessary.

Warning of Risk

Recreational activities/programs are intended to challenge and engage the physical, mental, and emotional resources of each participant. Despite careful and proper preparation, instruction, medical advice, conditioning, and equipment, there is still a risk of serious injury when participating in any recreational activity/program. Understandably, not all hazards and dangers can be foreseen. Depending on the particular activity, participants must understand that certain risks, dangers, and injuries due to inclement weather, slipping, falling, poor skill level or conditioning, carelessness, horseplay, unsportsmanlike conduct, premises defects, inadequate or defective equipment, inadequate supervision, instruction, or officiating, and all other circumstances inherent to indoor and outdoor recreational activities/programs exist. In this regard, it must be recognized that it is impossible for the Buffalo Grove Park District to guarantee absolute safety.



Volunteer Opportunities

Discover endless volunteer opportunities at the Buffalo Grove Park District. Who can volunteer at the Park District? Anyone! Opportunities are available for people of all ages and interests. With so many programs and projects to choose from, there's bound to be something you or your group will find interesting and rewarding.

Become a face in the park and volunteer today! For more information, visit bgparks.org.

Accident Insurance

The Park District does not carry medical or accident insurance for program participants. Participants should review their personal insurance before registering for Park District programs to be certain of adequate coverage.

Behavior Policy

Part of the mission of the Buffalo Grove Park District is to provide safe and wholesome programs, parks, and facilities for our residents and guests. The behavior policy has been established to help fulfill this mission. We ask all staff, volunteers, participants, and spectators to help us in our effort to provide the best possible environment to enjoy our recreation activities. The behavior policy is available for viewing at the Alcott Center or on our website at bgparks.org. Questions about this policy and the disciplinary procedure should be directed to the director of recreation and facilities, or to the superintendent of recreation at 847.850.2100.

Smoking

Smoking is not allowed on Park District property. This includes electronic cigarettes (e-cigs or e-cigarettes), personal vaporizers (PV), or electronic nicotine delivery systems (ENDS), or any other device that simulates tobacco smoking by producing an aerosol that resembles smoke. This includes all parks, facilities, buildings, athletic fields, spectator/viewing areas, and parking lots. Thank you for your cooperation.

After-Hours Hotline

Need information? Try these telephone information lines, available 24 hours a day:

- 847.235.6857 - Athletic field conditions and program cancellations due to inclement weather.
- To report acts of vandalism and/or hazardous park conditions, please call Tim Beckmann at 847.850.2163.

Park Hours

Unless otherwise posted, all lighted parks close at 11 pm and non-lighted parks close at 10 pm. All parks open at 6 am.

Pickleball & Tennis Courts

The Buffalo Grove Park District has 12 lighted and 2 non-lighted pickleball courts, and 26 tennis courts, including 8 lighted tennis courts at Emmerich, Kilmer, Willow Stream, and Woodland Parks. Due to inconsistencies in seasonal weather conditions, tennis courts, nets, and lights remain open and operational all year long.

Light Operation:

- Turn lights on by pressing the button near the entrance gate. Once turned on, the lights will remain illuminated for approximately 60 minutes.
- After 50 minutes a strobe light will flash.
- Once the light flashes, press the button again for an additional 60 minutes.
- All courts are playable until 10:30 pm.
- Please report any vandalism or switch problems by calling Tim Beckmann at 847.850.2163.

Tree Memorial Program

If you would like to commemorate a date, person, event, or organization, you may arrange to have a tree of your choice planted in your favorite park. The Park District recognizes tree memorial donations with plaques at the Alcott Center. The Park District will consult families or individuals on the tree species and potential location. The Park District will complete all installations. All donations are tax-deductible. A brochure on the Living Tree Memorial program is available at the Alcott Center.

Gift Certificates

Give the gift of fun! The Buffalo Grove Park District offers gift certificates in any dollar amount. Park District gift certificates can be used toward any program, such as classes, camp, preschool, and Clubhouse, or toward season passes at the pool or Golf Dome. Gift certificates can be purchased at the Alcott Center. For more information, call 847.850.2103.

Become a part of Buffalo Grove history

Community Brick Paver Program

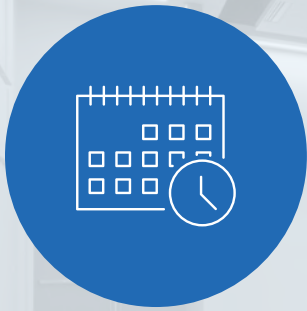
Makes a great gift!

Birthdays • Anniversaries • Memorials • Personal Tributes
Family Trees • Employee Recognition

Now available at the following locations:

Alcott Center, Willow Stream Park, Rolling Hills Park, Rick Drazner Park,
Veterans Park, Emmerich Park, Happy Tails Dog Park, and the Community Arts Center

For questions and registration forms please visit the Alcott Center or go online at bgbricks.org. Information can be found on the Friends of the Parks Foundation page.



Room Rentals

Whether it's a family birthday party, work meeting, or any other special event, the Buffalo Grove Park District has rooms to rent for all occasions. For detailed information, visit the Parties, Permits, and Rentals page of our website at bgparks.org, or scan the QR code. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.



Community Arts Center

Whether you're hosting a business meeting or organizing a large-scale event, the Community Arts Center offers the ideal venue for your needs. Our expansive Multi-Purpose Room accommodates up to 220 guests, while smaller spaces such as Rooms 6 and 7 are perfect for more intimate gatherings. Additionally, our theater has seating for 361 and provides an excellent setting for performances or larger presentations. For further details about the Community Arts Center, visit the Community Arts Center facility page on our website at bgparks.org.

Alcott Center

The Alcott Center offers a variety of room options to suit a variety of events, including Rooms 10 and 11, which can accommodate up to 100 guests, as well as smaller rooms for up to 40 people. To assist with your event preparations, we provide a 30-minute setup and teardown period before and after each booking. Our experienced staff will handle room arrangements according to your specifications and will be present on-site during your event to ensure everything runs seamlessly. For more information about the Alcott Center, visit the Alcott Center facility page on our website at bgparks.org.



Outdoor Rentals - Picnic Shelters, Sports Courts/ Field Rentals & Special Event Permits

Looking for an outdoor space with exceptional amenities? The Buffalo Grove Park District is the perfect location for your event! Whether you're in need of sports courts, fields for play, or a picnic shelter, we have the ideal space for you. Visit the Parties, Permits, and Rentals page of our website at bgparks.org to view our rental applications and explore all on the options available.

Adriane Johnson Amphitheater

Discover the Adriane Johnson Amphitheater at Mike Rylko Community Park! This award-winning venue accommodates up to 3,000 seated guests, with additional standing room available. Booking the amphitheater includes access to the stage, green room, pavilion, and parking lot. This stunning new facility is perfect for outdoor music festivals, weddings, and group events. For more information on booking packages and availability, visit the Parties, Permits, and Rentals page on our website at bgparks.org.





Pictured from left to right: Jack Schmerer, Arnie Brown, Steve Antman, Karen Meadows, Robert Giddens, Cathy Novak, Perry Lakhani, Howard Hoffman, Lynne Schneider, Teresa Reinhofer, and Erika Strojinc

The Friends of the Parks Foundation is the 501 (c)(3) charitable arm of the Buffalo Grove Park District.

- Our mission is to support the programs, services, and facilities of the Buffalo Grove Park District.
- We raise funds through Foundation-hosted programs, which include Trivia Night and our spring concert event.
- We support many Park District family events and programs, including National Night Out, Buffalo Grove Days, Camping Under the Stars, the Kite Fly, Uniquely Us, and programs for senior citizens.
- We provide fee assistance for active-duty military personnel and their dependents, and for families in need within our District.
- We welcome corporate and individual donations, which are tax-deductible.
- We serve the residents of the Buffalo Grove Park District.

We are the Friends of the Parks Foundation. Learn more about us at bgfop.org.



Providing outstanding opportunities through recreation for children and adults with disabilities.

Buffalo Grove Park District is a member of a 17 park district cooperative that forms the Northwest Special Recreation Association (NWSRA). The NWSRA team of full-time therapeutic recreation professionals and trained part-time staff offer quality year-round recreation for individuals of all ages with disabilities.

NWSRA activities provide opportunities for children and adults with disabilities to have fun, make friends, be included, learn new things, go new places and celebrate their lives. After school, evening, and weekend programs feature sports, games, arts and crafts, fitness, cooking, drama, and more. Camps, trips, and special events are planned throughout the year.

Inclusion Assistance

NWSRA provides assistance to individuals who wish to participate in their local park district programs. Indicate on the registration form if any accommodations are needed to successfully participate in the program. The Park District staff will contact NWSRA for assistance.

Learn More about NWSRA

For more information on NWSRA programs and to register online, visit nwsra.org. Brochures about NWSRA programs are available at the Administration Center, or from NWSRA at Park Central, 3000 W. Central Road, Rolling Meadows. Contact NWSRA at 847.392.2848 (voice), 847.392.2855 (TTY), or 847.392.2870 (fax).

Leaders Needed

NWSRA is looking for energetic individuals who want to enrich the lives of NWSRA participants. If you are interested in working with NWSRA programs, call 847.392.2848 or visit nwsra.org/jobs.



Active-Duty Military Policy

The Buffalo Grove Park District Board of Commissioners admires the sacrifice of military personnel and their dependents and wants to provide the support they need. The Board feels that these families should be able to enjoy the many parks, programs, memberships, and facilities in our community. Therefore, a comprehensive program is available to military personnel and their dependents residing within the Buffalo Grove Park District.

Joining the Park District are the Friends of the Parks Foundation and the Rusty Reiner Veterans Memorial Fund. These 2 groups have provided financial support to supplement this Park District commitment. Combined with the Park District, these

groups help make sure that most programs and services are available to active-duty military personnel and their dependents. This policy is for active-duty military personnel, including reservists called to duty.

Please call 847.850.2100 for more information or to receive a scholarship application packet. All requests will remain confidential.

Rusty Reiner Veterans Memorial Fund

A fund has been established in memory of Vietnam Veteran Russell "Rusty" Reiner, a longtime Buffalo Grove resident. His daughter, former wife, parents, brother, and many cousins still live in Buffalo Grove. The Reiner family partners with the Park District to provide a scholarship/fee-assistance program for active-duty military personnel and their families.

If you are interested in participating in this program as either a scholarship recipient or as a contributor to the program, contact Erika Strojinc, Executive Director, at 847.850.2133.

The Buffalo Grove Park District thanks the Reiner family for their generosity in supporting financial relief to resident military families.



Late Season Fees • November 1 - April 30

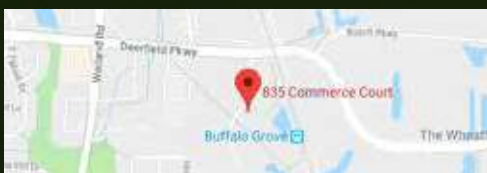
IN-DISTRICT	OUT-OF-DISTRICT
\$20 - 1 Dog	\$25 - 1 Dog
\$24 - 2 Dogs	\$30 - 2 Dogs
\$32 - 3 Dogs	\$40 - 3 Dogs

There is a limit of 3 dogs.

Hours: Sunrise to Sunset | Open all year, but not maintained in winter

The Happy Tails Dog Park is exclusive to pass holders, with a limit of 3 dogs per household. Dog park permits and daily passes (\$8 per day) are available for purchase online at bgparks.org or in person at the Alcott Center during front desk office hours at in-district and out-of-district rates. Applications can be completed online or downloaded in advance. Annual passes are valid from May 1 through April 30 of the following year. Owners must provide proof of current rabies vaccination at the time of purchase. Dog tags may be mailed upon request or picked up in person. Required materials include application, payment, and current rabies vaccination record - either online, in person, or via fax. Each pass holder is entitled to one roll of dog waste bags, available for pickup at the Alcott Center.

Free parking is available at the south end of the train station.



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Buffalo Grove, IL 60089

Located at the south end of the parking lot at the Sidney Mathias Metra Train Station



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Job Fair



Available positions include:

- + Aquatics
- + Camp Counselor
- + Clubhouse/Camp Connection
- + Concessions Staff
- + Parks (Summer Maintenance)

February 26 from 6 - 8 pm Community Arts Center



Dessert Social



Win Raffle Prizes



◀ Preregister here!





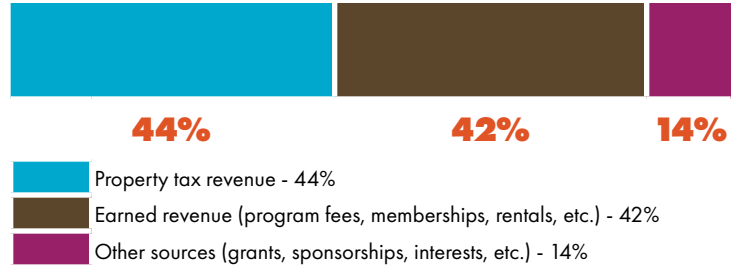
2025 ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT

Business and Finance

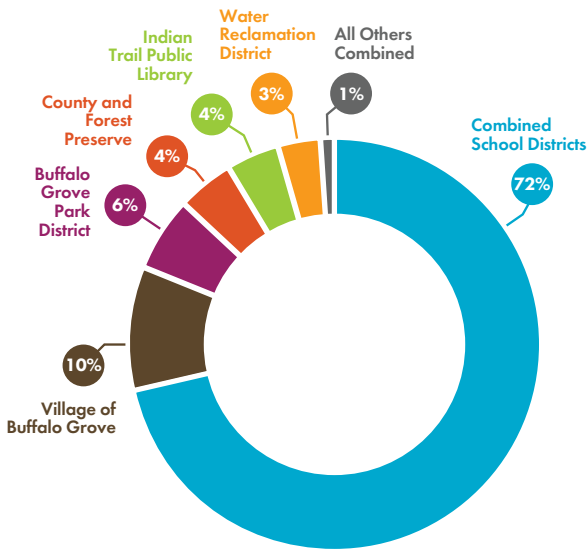
It was our 27th consecutive year that our annual comprehensive financial report received the Government Finance Officers Association certificate of achievement for excellence in financial reporting.

The Park District represents a small portion of residents' property tax bill - approximately 6% in Cook County and 5% in Lake County.

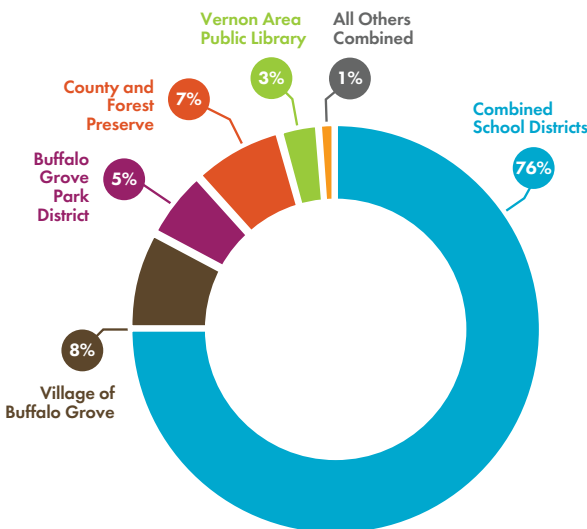
56% of all Park District revenue comes from non-tax sources



Cook County Taxes



Lake County Taxes



\$274,000
State of Illinois grants received

\$26,000
Illinois Arts Council grants received

Fee Assistance

Throughout the year, we have provided fee assistance to military families and families in need so that they are able to participate in preschool, summer camp, Clubhouse, and a variety of other recreational programs. Fee assistance is provided by money raised through corporate sponsorship and from the Friends of the Parks Foundation.

General Program Fee Assistance
\$1,488

Military Fee Assistance
\$2,165

Clubhouse Fee Assistance
\$44,708

Camp Fee Assistance
\$6,377

Preschool Fee Assistance
\$3,222

Facility and Park Development

We maintain:

- 8 facilities
- 21 ball diamonds
- 29 playgrounds
- 17 basketball courts
- 20 tennis courts
- 14 pickleball courts
- 2 disc golf courses
- 2 ponds stocked with 3,198 fish
- 2 pools
- 1 spray park
- 1 amphitheater



415 Acres
of open space
maintained

Capital projects in 2025

At Mike Rylko Community Park:

- Redeveloped the skate park.
- Added a pump track.
- Renovated the Spray 'N Play, adding new features and a new rubber surface.
- Added a concessions building near the Adriane Johnson Amphitheater that was made from a shipping container.



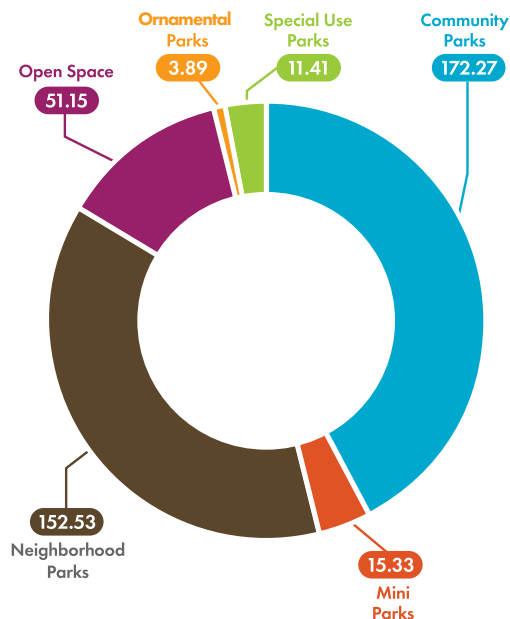
At the Community Arts Center:

- Added entrance and monument sign lighting with new concrete footings for fixtures and installed new Masonite stage flooring at the Community Arts Center. This project was funded by the Friends of the Parks Foundation.

Parks

- Maintained 3,631 trees in parks (not including wooded areas).
- Level II Arboretum status was achieved at Reiner Park with over 115 unique species. Thank you to Rotary Club and Lions Club for their donations that added 2 groves to the park, and the Environmental Action Team for their leadership in these projects.
- A Turf Tank robotic field painter was purchased, making painting 124 fields much more efficient.
- Detention areas that were previously turf were converted to Native Flora, resulting in a significant increase of native grasses across 20 acres. Doing this increased biodiversity, supported native pollinators, birds, and small mammals.
- Maintained 2 nature trails at Mike Rylko Community Park.
- Built 3 bat houses at Willow Stream Park.
- Installed a wind phone, which is meant to be able to communicate with loved ones who have since passed.
- Built a polinator hotel near the Nature Classroom.

Distribution of Parks by Acreage throughout District



Types of Parks

Mini Parks

Mini parks are small parks, often less than 1 acre, that serves a nearby neighborhood within a short walking distance.

Neighborhood Parks

Neighborhood parks are often several acres and generally serves people within a short walk or short bike ride (about a quarter-mile or more).

Community Parks

Community parks are larger than neighborhood parks (often dozens of acres) and typically serves families and users within several miles.

Special Use Parks

Special use parks vary in size and focus on specific recreation activities or facilities. They have single-purpose or specialized features that serve broad audiences.

Ornamental Parks

Ornamental parks often feature decorative plantings and formally designed gardens as their primary purpose.



Event Attendance

We held **38** Community events that were attended by over **13,000** people.

The Summer Kick-off was a new event that drew **1,100** attendees.




Program Participation


Summer Camp
2,080




Clubhouse
632






Soccer
445




Basketball
335




Flag Football
235




Preschool
162




Performing Arts
460




Dance
317



Facility Visits

<p>Fitness Center</p> <p>3,685 Members</p>	<p>Willow Stream Pool</p> <p>17,353 Visits</p>	<p>Spray 'n Play</p> <p>8,533 Visits</p>
<p>Golf Dome</p> <p>13,240 Visits</p>	<p>Raupp Museum</p> <p>5,700 Visits</p>	<p>Community Arts Center</p> <p>8,811 Tickets Sold</p>

Raupp Museum

- We are stewards of approximately **7,800** historic pieces, including **2,800** artifacts, **3,200** historic documents, **1,500** historic photos, and **300** books.
- We provided educational programs for over **3,000** students from **7** different school districts and **18** different schools.

People at the Park District

- Total number of volunteers - **618**
- Total number of fulltime employees - **57**
- Total number of part time employees - **603**
- Number of youth employed - **296**
- Number of Buffalo Grove residents employed - **191**
- Total number of employees with over **20** years of service - **41**



Achievements

We received the Illinois Association of Park Districts/Illinois Park and Recreation Association Distinguished Park and Recreation Accredited Agency Award for 2026-2031. The vigorous application and accreditation process is done every 5 years. We have applied for and received the recognition since it began in 1996.

The Buffalo Grove Park District and the Northwest Special Recreation Association (NWSRA) received a Partnership Award at the Illinois Association of Park Districts Best of the Best Awards Gala for their annual PURSUIT Program art exhibit at the Raupp Museum.

The Raupp Museum achieved STEPS (Standards and Excellence Program for History Organizations) Bronze Level certification.

- **13** staff members have achieved Certified Parks and Recreation Professional certification.
- **4** staff members have achieved Certified Parks and Recreation Executive certification. There are **84** CPREs in Illinois and **674** in the nation.
- **2** staff members have achieved Certified Playground Safety Inspector certification.
- **1** staff member has achieved Certified Sports Field Manager certification.
- **1** staff member is a Certified Arborist.

Our Executive Director, Erika Strojinc, served this year as the Board Chair of the Illinois Park and Recreation .



Sponsorship

Sponsorship is the reason we are able to provide the community so many events at no cost, and a lot of businesses in the community have been supporting our efforts for many years. The money generated goes to things like concerts in the park, movie nights, National Night Out, and so many other events.

Sponsorship also helps fund our fee assistance program, as well as purchasing equipment for programs and events.

We had a total of **76 sponsors**
\$153,485 in Sponsorship Revenue
18% increase from 2024

COMMUNITY EVENTS

at the Buffalo Grove Park District

Night Owl Egg Hunt



Join us for this "eggciting" evening egg hunt that we've relocated to the new amphitheater at Mike Rylko Community Park. Children will search for hidden eggs; parents must accompany their children during the hunt. Children should bring a flashlight and basket to collect the eggs. Pre-registration is required; day-of registration is not available. No refunds will be given for canceled registrations. For more information, contact Mike Pfeiffer at 847.850.2108 or mikep@bgparks.org.

Age: 5 - 12 years

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Tue	Mar 31	7:40 - 7:45 pm	\$8/\$10
Tue	Mar 31	7:55 - 8 pm	\$8/\$10
Tue	Mar 31	8:10 - 8:15 pm	\$8/\$10

Location: Mike Rylko Community Park

CHICAGO

TEEN EDITION

Dates

March 6 and 13 at 7 pm

March 7, 8 and 14 at 3 pm

Location

Community Arts Center

All tickets are \$15

Tickets will be available for purchase at bigdealproductions.org or at the Alcott Center during regular business hours starting on February 5.

For more information, contact Lindsay Grandt at 847.850.2132 or lindsay@bgparks.org.

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Thursday, April 2

Egg your family, friends, and neighbors with a surprise at-home egg hunt. The Bunny's assistants will hide 2 dozen prize-filled eggs in the front yard, and leave a fun "You've Been Egged" sign on the door. Egging will happen April 2 between the hours of 10:30 am - 3 pm. Additional eggs can be purchased. This is open to households within Buffalo Grove school districts only. The registration deadline is Friday, March 27, which includes a short questionnaire. No refunds will be given for canceled registration. For more information, contact Mike Pfeiffer at 847.850.2108 or mikep@bgparks.org.

Option	Fee
Registration Fee	\$15
1 Dozen Extra Eggs	\$3
2 Dozen Extra Eggs	\$6

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Earth Day celebration

**Sunday, April 19
10 am - 12 pm**

**FREE
EVENT**

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**Nature Classroom
at Mike Rylko Community Park
1000 N. Buffalo Grove Road
(near the skate park)**

- **Arts and crafts**
- **Nature walk**
- **Nature classroom
will be open**

SENIOR EXPO

Tuesday, April 21

10 am - 1 pm

Community Arts Center

Free to seniors and their families

Join us for the annual senior citizen expo. This event, coordinated by the Buffalo Grove Park District and the Village of Buffalo Grove, provides a dynamic one-stop shop for seniors to interact with vendors and service providers, enabling them to become familiar with the wide range of services available to them. There will also be raffle prizes. The Expo will be held from 10 am - 1 pm at the Community Arts Center. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.



VENDORS WANTED

We are still looking for vendors for the Senior Expo. If you are interested in marketing your business to senior citizens, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.



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KIDS

Dates

April 24 at 7 pm

April 25 at 11 am and 3 pm

April 26 at 3 pm

Location

Community Arts Center

All tickets are \$13

Tickets will be available for purchase at bigdealproductions.org or at the Alcott Center during regular business hours starting on March 19.

For more information, contact Lindsay Grandt at 847.850.2132 or lindsay@bgparks.org.

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Buffalo Grove Park District acknowledges support from the Illinois Arts Council.



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HAPPY HOUR GOLF

When

Friday, April 24
6 - 8:30 pm

Where

Golf Dome
801 McHenry Road

Join us for...

- Golf contests with prizes
- Snacks and cash bar
- Raffle prizes
- Beer and wine available for purchase
- Bring your own golf clubs (*clubs will be available*)

\$30 per person - register as a foursome or you will be paired individually.

All proceeds will benefit the Friends of the Parks Foundation.



Tickets can be purchased at bgparks.org by scanning the QR code or in person at the Alcott Center Monday - Friday from 8:30 am - 5 pm. For more information, contact Mike Pfeiffer at 847.850.2108 or mikep@bgparks.org.

Flying 4 Kids & Statewide Kite Fly Free Event!

Join us as we celebrate Flying 4 Kids, a statewide Kite Fly to promote park districts, recreation agencies, and the park district youth license plate. Bring your kites, and enjoy an evening out in the park, playing, and exploring wind and motion. For more information, contact Mike Pfeiffer at 847.850.2108 or mikep@bgparks.org.

Friday, May 1
6 - 7:30 pm

Reiner Park
1101 N. Green Knolls Drive

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Mighty Machines Meet-Up

Friday, May 8th
5:30 - 7:30 pm
Mike Rylko Community Park
(near the Spray 'N Play)



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The Park District and Village of Buffalo Grove are teaming up for the Mighty Machines Meet-Up. A hands-on adventure kids won't want to miss! Bring the whole family to climb aboard cool trucks, meet the mighty machines that keep our parks and village running, explore nature, and enjoy kid-friendly activities. Free custard from Culver's while supplies last. For more information, contact Mike Pfeiffer at 847.850.2108 or mikep@bgparks.org.



Buffalo Grove STEM EXPO

Saturday, May 16
9 am - 12 pm
Community Arts Center

Free for the public to attend
Fee per STEM project:
\$20 In-District/\$25 Out-of-District

For kids in grades 6 - 12

This is an exciting opportunity for middle and high school students to showcase their innovative projects and ideas! In partnership with the Buffalo Grove 4C Stem Club, participants will have their own tables to display their work, allowing them to engage with attendees and share their passion for STEM. In addition to the table displays, students will have the chance to present their projects on stage at the Community Arts Center, highlighting their creativity and hard work. This event is designed to inspire young minds and foster a love for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. Every student who participates will receive a certificate of participation, celebrating their efforts and achievements. Don't miss this chance to shine and connect with fellow young innovators in our community. To register your project, contact Ann Marie Shipstad-Schwartz at 847.850.2152 or anmarie@bgparks.org.



BUFFALO GROVE PARK DISTRICT

DISC GOLF TOURNAMENT



Our tournament will consist of 2-player teams, scoring in a best-shot format. Teams will be playing 2 rounds of 18 holes - one round at Willow Stream Park and one round at Rick Drazner Park, and there will be a 36-team limit. Play will be by PDGA rules, and PDGA-approved golf discs are required. This is an all-ages tournament and will be played rain or shine. If there is thunder and/or lightning the day of the tournament, the Park District will determine a new tournament date. Lunch will be served between rounds at Rick Drazner Park, and immediately following the tournament will be an awards ceremony at Willow Stream Park. **Please note:** Check-in will be at Willow Stream Park. For more information, contact Mike Pfeiffer at 847.850.2108 or mikep@bgparks.org.

Age: 12 years and up

Day	Date	Time	Fee Per Person
Sat	May 30	9:30 am - 2:30 pm	\$20

Location: Willow Stream Park & Rick Drazner Park

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Free special events in our community are made possible through generous donations from our corporate partners. We would like to thank these businesses that have contributed generously to support Buffalo Grove Park District programs and events. For more information on the Buffalo Grove Park District's corporate partnership program, contact Wendy Friedman at 847.850.2144 or wfriedman@bgparks.org.

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Birthday parties can be hassle-free when you let the Buffalo Grove Park District plan the party for you!

For more information or party availability, call 847.850.2126 or email birthdays@bgparks.org.

BASIC PARTIES

Price - \$275 | Price reflects 20 children | 1½ hours

All Basic Parties include:

- > Instructors to run the party
- > 1 hour of activity
- > 30 minutes in the party room
- > Tablecloths, cake plates, napkins, and plastic utensils
- > Call for pricing for over 20 children

You provide:

- > Cake, juice, and any other refreshments needed
- > Serving utensils
- > Decorations

You provide: Goody bags are available for an extra \$5 per child. Custom invitations available, including mailing, for an extra cost.



Princess Party

Age: 3 - 6 years

Have your little princess meet one of the Disney princesses for a magical party! Our princess will play games and sing songs with the birthday girl and her guests, as well as participate in a special tea party. Specific Disney princess depends on availability.



Bike Party

Age: 4 - 7 years

Bring your child and their friends to Safety Town for an exciting bike party! All bike parties include a safety lesson, followed by lots of hands-on experience on bikes and motorized cars in our Safety Town. Guests must bring a bike helmet and wear gym shoes.



Glamour Girl Party

Age: 4 - 9 years

Get ready to be made into a superstar with a new hairdo and makeup. Go through our dress-up bin to find the perfect outfit and finish off by walking the red carpet for all the parents. Don't forget to bring your camera to take pictures of your glamour girls!



Mix It Up

Age: 4 - 12 years

Does your child like to help in the kitchen, get creative with crafts, or play carnival games? This is the party for them, and the choice is yours. This party can be customized to the birthday child's interests and hobbies for one of the best parties ever.



Game Day Sports

Age: 5 - 12 years

Your athlete will love this sports- and game-themed party. Activities include, but are not limited to, soccer, floor hockey, basketball, dodgeball, capture the flag, and man from Mars. Call to customize your unique game experience.



SPECIALTY PARTIES

Price - \$375 | Price reflects 20 children | 1½ Hours

All Specialty Parties include:

- > Contractual entertainment
- > Instructors to run the party
- > 1 hour of activity time
- > 30 minutes in the party room
- > Tablecloths, cake plates, napkins, and plastic utensils
- > Call for pricing for over 20 children

You provide:

- > Cake, juice, and any other refreshments needed
- > Serving utensils
- > Decorations

Goody bags are available for an extra \$5 per child.

Custom invitations available, including mailing, for an extra cost.

Kid Rock 'N' Roll Party

Age: 1 - 6

Wiggle, giggle, dance, and play! Kid rock 'n' roll music and dance parties are filled with song and dance, rhythm and rhyme, and just plain fun! Your party guests will have a blast with our musical instruments and props while moovin' and groovin' to the beat. With tambourines, maracas, scarves, and hand bells, activities will include a musical parade, freeze dance, limbo, parachute games, and a rockin' good time.

Magic

Age: 1 - 12

Step into a world of wonder and enchantment with Pete, an extraordinary magician who has been delighting audiences full-time for over 30 years! This is not your typical magic show; Pete's performance is a unique blend of comedy and mind-blowing illusions that will keep everyone on the edge of their seats. The show is interactive and packed with fun as the birthday star gets to decide who will join Pete on stage for some magical moments. From thrilling tricks to the grand finale, everyone will be part of the magic. And as a special treat, after the show, Pete will create incredible balloon masterpieces for each guest, adding an extra touch of whimsy to the celebration. Don't miss out on this unforgettable, fun-filled experience - a magical adventure for all ages!

Sports of All Sorts

Age: 4 - 10

Pick your sport and come have a ball! Soccer, baseball, floor hockey, kickball, and other gym games are available. There will be 1 hour of any sport or a combination of sports. All necessary equipment will be provided, and each child will receive a sports medal at the end of the party. Instruction and sports equipment provided by Energetic Sports Professionals.

Martial Arts & Tae Kwon Do

Age: 5 years and up

Our martial arts expert knows how to throw a great birthday party, as your child becomes the Master of the Day and Star of the Show! Tae kwon do is fun for all ages and will be an unforgettable experience for all your partygoers. The children will receive a group martial arts lesson and will learn how to break their own board. It's guaranteed to be a hit. As a special treat, the children are sure to enjoy a short demonstration by the master. The party will be fun, safe, and supervised in a kid-friendly environment and will provide a high-energy outlet for active kids.

LEGO

Age: 6 years and up

Come get locked into the world of LEGO! This birthday party is delivered to you by a LEGO Certified Professional from Brickology. Children of all building abilities will love building over 100 pounds of LEGO bricks and elements. This party offers organized activities, free play, plus the special birthday person being built into a custom birthday tower.

Safety Town

Have your child's special day at our Safety Town facility at Rick Drazner Park! Parties run May 1 through September 30. For more information, call 847.850.2126.

Spray 'N Play

Join us for an Ultimate or Splash Bash Party at the Spray 'N Play. Get relief from the heat, and enjoy an outdoor party..

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Educational Gardens Birthday Party

Price - \$300 | Price reflects 15 children | 1½ hours

Does your child love nature and growing things? Have their birthday at the Nature Classroom in Mike Rylko Community Park. Parties will include hands-on time with the exhibits in the Nature Classroom, a nature scavenger hunt in the park, and a special take-home craft. Parties can be either plant or animal themed. For party availability, call 847.850.2135 or email museum@bgparks.org.

July through September



Please call
847.850.2126
for party availability.



The Preschool Program features

- > Experienced, professional staff
- > Small class sizes with 2 teachers per class
- > Indoor and outdoor large-motor play areas
- > Play-based philosophy
- > Offering inquiry-based STEM extensions
- > Process art activities
- > Featuring Handwriting Without Tears and Jolly Phonics curriculums
- > Family involvement opportunities
- > Seesaw App communication
- > Secure, locked entrance to the preschool wing of the building

Benefits of attending the Buffalo Grove Park District Preschool

- > Be better prepared for lifelong learning
- > Receive more personalized attention through low teacher-to-student ratios
- > Learn and grow at their own pace in all areas of development, including math, science, and language arts
- > Gain confidence and a love of learning through hands-on exploration
- > Appreciate and learn respect for difference
- > Acquire a fit and healthy love for exercising and physical development through the use of our large-motor room and outdoor playgrounds
- > Gain social-emotional skills through play, stories, songs, and group activities
- > Develop a sense of community and belonging through the friends they will make

Payment Information

When you register for the 2026-27 school year, you will have 2 payment options.

- Automatic credit card payments
- Payment for the full year with cash, check, or credit card

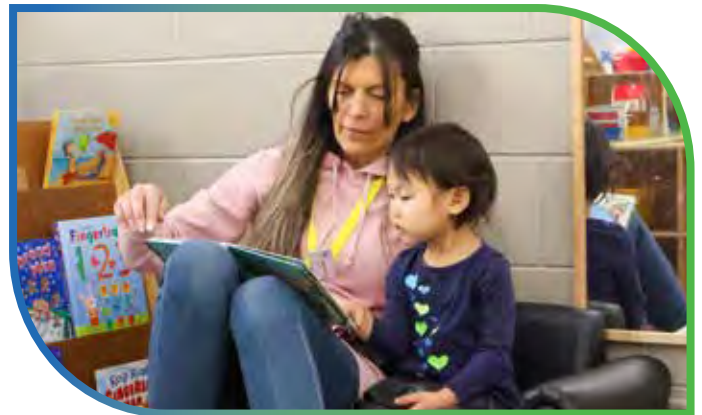
There is a deposit of \$100, which is nonrefundable and applied toward the total tuition. There will be 9 monthly payments applied around the 15th of each month, from August until April.

Preschool Refund Policies

If you withdraw within one week prior to the start of preschool, your August payment will be refunded, minus a 25% late-withdrawal fee.

Refunds will not be given for vacations or illnesses.

For more information, or if you would like to schedule a visit to see our program, call Keri Isacovici at 847.850.2111.





2026 - 2027

PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, February 7 • 10 - 11:30 am

Visit the Two-Year, Pre-Threes, Three- and Four-Year Preschool programs. Meet the teachers, learn about our preschool and see our beautiful classrooms. Children and families welcome to attend "Drop In" style.

Registration Information

Registration will open online or in person on the following dates, based on residency and enrollment:

In-District families	Tuesday, February 10 at 8:30 am
Out-Of-District families	Tuesday, February 17 at 8:30 am

Upon registration we will ask you to turn in the following items to complete your registration:

- 1) Proof of residency if you are a Buffalo Grove or Arlington Heights Park District in-district resident.
- 2) Child's proof of age.
- 3) A \$100 nonrefundable, nontransferable registration fee that will be applied toward your tuition, which can be paid by cash, credit card or check made payable to Buffalo Grove Park District.



Two-Year-Old Preschool

Our Two-Year-Old Preschool is all about play, discovery, and new friendships! In this class, little learners begin practicing how to play alongside others while building important early learning skills. Each day offers a mix of engaging activities - singing and moving to music, exploring art, diving into early math and science concepts, and strengthening both fine- and large-motor skills.

- > For children 2 years old by September 1, 2026.
- > A \$100 nonrefundable, nontransferable deposit is required with registration. The deposit is applied toward the total year fee. The deposit is applied toward the total year fee.
- > Proof of the child's birth date and residency will be requested prior to enrollment.
- > Children may be enrolled 2 or 3 days a week.

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
M, W, F	Sep 14 - May 21	9:15 - 11:15 am	\$2294/\$2394
Tu, Th	Sep 15 - May 20	9:15 - 11:15 am	\$1535/\$1635

Instructor: Staff

Location: Alcott Center

Pre-Threes Preschool

Pre Threes Preschool is perfect for children who turn 3 between September 2, 2026, and February 1, 2027. Children will make friends, grow their independence, and build important skills through play, art, stories, snack time, and songs. Our welcoming classroom, spacious large-motor room, and outdoor playground give children plenty of ways to explore and stay active. With caring teachers by their side, your child will enjoy a safe, exciting, and developmentally rich start to their preschool journey.

- > Children may be in Pull-Ups.
- > A \$100 nonrefundable, nontransferable deposit is required with registration. The deposit is applied toward the total year fee. The deposit is applied toward the total year fee.
- > Proof of the child's birth date and residency will be requested prior to enrollment.
- > Children may be enrolled 2 or 3 days a week.

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
M, W, F	Sep 14 - May 21	9:15 - 11:30 am	\$2580/\$2680
Tu, Th	Sep 15 - May 20	9:15 - 11:30 am	\$1728/\$1828

Instructor: Staff

Location: Alcott Center

Three-Year-Old Preschool

Our Three-Year-Old Preschool is all about building a love for learning through play and discovery! Children will explore hands-on activities in math, science, pre-reading, and pre-writing that spark curiosity and excitement. We believe purposeful play is the best way for little learners to grow - helping them build self-esteem, make new friends, and strengthen both cognitive and motor skills. With open, welcoming classrooms, a spacious large-motor room, and outdoor playgrounds, there's always something fun to explore. Our caring teachers create a safe, encouraging, and engaging environment where your child can thrive and take their first big steps into lifelong learning.

- > Child must be 3 years old by September 1, 2026.
- > Children may be in Pull-Ups.
- > A \$100 nonrefundable, nontransferable deposit is required with registration. The deposit is applied toward the total year fee.
- > Proof of the child's birth date and residency will be requested prior to enrollment.

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
M, W, F	Sep 14 - May 21	9 am - 12 pm	\$3317/\$3417
Tu, Th	Sep 15 - May 20	9 am - 12 pm	\$2198/\$2298
M, T, W, Th, F	Sep 14 - May 21	9 am - 12 pm	\$5515/\$5615

Instructor: Staff

Location: Alcott Center

Four-Year-Old Preschool

Our Four-Year-Old Preschool is all about fun and hands-on learning that gets kids excited about school! Designed to enrich your child's social, emotional, and intellectual growth, this program lets children learn at their own pace through engaging activities in pre-reading, writing, and math. We build early literacy skills using Jolly Phonics and Handwriting Without Tears®, while our smaller class sizes and 2 teachers per classroom ensure every child gets extra attention and support. With a focus on exploration and empathy, your child will build confidence, form meaningful relationships, and look forward to coming to school each day.

- > Child must be 4 yrs old by September 1, 2026, and toilet trained to attend.
- > A \$100 nonrefundable, nontransferable fee is required at registration. The deposit is applied toward the total year fee.
- > Proof of the child's birth date and residency will be requested prior to enrollment.

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
M, W, F	Sep 14 - May 21	9 am - 12 pm	\$3317/\$3417
M, T, W, Th, F	Sep 14 - May 21	9 am - 12 pm	\$5515/\$5615

Instructor: Staff

Location: Alcott Center

For more information about Preschool, contact Keri Isacovici at 847.850.2111 or keri@bgparks.org.



Youth & Family Programs

Baby Rock

Wiggle and giggle with us! Baby Rock is a unique combination of sensory experiences with stimulating music and exercises to help strengthen and stretch your baby. Activities will include sing-a-longs, exposure to simple instruments and sensory props, motion exercises, and bubbles. Get ready for a rockin' good time with your tiniest dancer. For more information, contact Keri Isacovici at 847.850.2111 or keri@bgparks.org. **No class on May 23.**

Age: 3 months - 1 year

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Sat	Apr 11 - May 30	10:40 - 11:10 am	\$80/\$100

Instructor: Kid Rock

Location: Alcott Center

Rock 'n' Kids

Sing, dance, play, learn, and imagine with us! This movement-based program uses music to facilitate learning. Activities include use of rhythm instruments and movement props, work on gross and fine motor skills (including balance and coordination), and engagement of imaginative play. All classes are structured and include early listening and following directions skills. For more information, contact Keri Isacovici at 847.850.2111 or keri@bgparks.org. **No class on May 23.**

Age	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
1 - 2½ yrs	Sat	Apr 11 - May 30	9 - 9:40 am	\$92/ \$115
2 - 5 yrs	Sat	Apr 11 - May 30	9:50 - 10:30 am	\$92/ \$115

Instructor: Kid Rock

Location: Alcott Center

Baby Brushstrokes

Introduce your baby or toddler to the wonderful world of art! Our instructor works with you and your child on a project that allows them to be messy and explore. A parent or caregiver participates in this workshop with the child. The fee includes one child and one adult. For more information, contact Ann Marie Shipstad-Schwartz at 847.850.2152 or annmarie@bgparks.org.

Age: 2 - 3 years

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Sat	Apr 25	9:15 - 9:45 am	\$16/\$20

Instructor: Staff

Location: Community Arts Center

Art Together

This workshop is a great way to spend quality time with family or friends. Participants will create a themed art project with a parent, grandparent, aunt, uncle, or friend. The fee is per participant, not just per child. All children under 12 must be accompanied by a registered adult. For more information, contact Ann Marie Shipstad-Schwartz at 847.850.2152 or annmarie@bgparks.org.

Age: 2 years and up

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Sat	Apr 25	1 - 2 pm	\$16/\$20

Instructor: Staff

Location: Community Arts Center

Gears, Gears, Gears

Explore gears using LEGO®, as we work to find out how gears help make the world turn. We'll make projects that crank, mesh, pump, push, pull, tug, or grind - all of which turn out to be very useful simple machines. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age: 4 - 6 years

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Thu	Apr 2 - Apr 23	6 - 7 pm	\$80/\$100

Instructor: Computer Explorers

Location: Alcott Center

Mom & Me Tea

Join us for a special pre-Mother's Day celebration. Participants will decorate a spring wreath together, then everyone will get to have a special tea, cookies, and lemonade party at decorated tables in the Museum. The fee is for one mom (or other adult) and one child. For more information, contact the Raupp Museum at 847.850.2135 or museum@bgparks.org.

Age: 4 - 12 years

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Sat	May 2	10 am - 12 pm	\$24/\$30

Instructor: Fandrei

Location: Raupp Museum

Safety Town Saturdays

Safety Town is a fun and interactive class where kids learn vital safety skills through games, books, songs, crafts, and lively discussions. We'll cover everything from street safety and emergency calls to outdoor adventures like biking, camping, and playing at the park. Kids will also learn about water safety, sports, and how to stay safe from strangers. Perfect for both new students and alumni, this program is all about having fun while staying safe! Remember to bring your helmet and wear shoes with socks to each class. For more information, contact Keri Isacovici at 847.850.2111 or keri@bgparks.org.

Age: 4 - 7 years

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Sat	Apr 11 - May 16	9:30 - 11:30 am	\$112/\$140

Instructor: Gangware

Location: Rick Drazner Park

Art Club

This is the coolest club in town for children who love art! Our young artists will explore new mediums and techniques each week. Students will learn drawing, painting, and sculpture. It is so much fun to create. For more information, contact Ann Marie Shipstad-Schwartz at 847.850.2152 or annmarie@bgparks.org.

Age	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
5 - 7 yrs	Wed	Apr 1 - May 20	4:30 - 5:30 pm	\$120/ \$150
5 - 7 yrs	Sat	Apr 4 - May 23	10 - 11 am	\$120/ \$150
7 - 12 yrs	Wed	Apr 1 - May 20	5:30 - 6:30 pm	\$120/ \$150
7 - 12 yrs	Sat	Apr 4 - May 23	11:15 am - 12:15 pm	\$120/ \$150

Instructor: Staff

Location: Community Arts Center

Mixed Media Art

Explore the exciting fusion of various artistic techniques and materials. We will engage in hands-on projects that incorporate painting, collage, and sculpture, encouraging creativity and self-expression. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced artist, this class offers a nurturing environment to experiment and develop your unique artistic voice. For more information, contact Ann Marie Shipstad-Schwartz at 847.850.2152 or annmarie@bgparks.org.

Age	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
5 - 7 yrs	Mon	Mar 30 - May 18	4 - 5 pm	\$120/ \$150
7 - 10 yrs	Mon	Mar 30 - May 18	5:15 - 6:15 pm	\$120/ \$150
10 - 14 yrs	Mon	Mar 30 - May 18	6:30 - 7:30 pm	\$120/ \$150

Instructor: Staff

Location: Community Arts Center

Chess Club

Make the right move and learn the fine art of chess. Chess is a wonderful game of skill and strategy that promotes critical thinking and teaches many skills, including problem solving, decision-making, logic, reasoning, patience, and persistence. Learn from certified chess coach Frank Swindell and be able to challenge others at the game. Frank has numerous students in the top 100, and his chess team has won nationals. In 2007, he instructed a kindergarten state champion, an 8th-grade state champion, and a 4-time consecutive state champion. Instruction will be geared toward individual ability, so beginners and advanced students are both welcome. The advanced chess class is for students who have mastered checkmates Queen, 2 Rooks, 1 Rook, and 2 Bishops. The class will focus on chess notation, using check clocks, and mastering the Knight and Bishop checkmate, as well as pins, forks, and skewers. The elite chess club is for students who have attended the advanced chess class and now are preparing to participate in local, state, and national chess tournaments. Students in this class will be taught tournament strategies, analyzing chess games, and completing chess puzzles. Each registrant will receive a free chessboard and chess pieces. We accept late registrants. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org. **No class on March 23 and May 25.**

Age: 5 - 8 years

Level	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Regular	Mon	Mar 2 - June 1	4:30 - 5:30 pm	\$276/ \$345

Age: 9 - 13 years

Level	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Advanced	Mon	Mar 2 - June 1	5:30 - 6:30 pm	\$328/ \$410
Elite	Mon	Mar 2 - June 1	6:30 - 7:30 pm	\$380/ \$475

Instructor: Swindell

Location: Alcott Center

For a wide variety of youth theater classes, see pages 59 - 61.

Young Rembrandts Elementary Drawing

Our elementary learners are at the crucial time of development when they decide whether they're good at something or not. This decision will affect not only the rest of their academic career, but their lifetime learning as well. The Young Rembrandts elementary program provides the tools this age-group needs to succeed at drawing - a teaching tool from which the majority of learners prefer and all learners benefit. Our program works because it's not only hands-on and visual; it's simply fun. Add to this our innovative guided instruction, topics that kids love and relate to, and instructors that know how to reach this group; we take kids from thinking they're not artists to knowing they can achieve this and everything else they put their minds to. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age: 6 - 12 years

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Wed	Apr 8 - Apr 29	5:30 - 6:30 pm	\$92/\$115

Instructor: Young Rembrandts

Location: Alcott Center

Beginning Sewing

Sewing is a great way to express creativity and a rewarding way to learn a new skill. Students will learn how to thread needles, make functional and decorative stitches, plan fun but simple projects, and complete them. No experience is necessary; all materials are included. For more information, contact Ann Marie Shipstad-Schwartz at 847.850.2152 or annmarie@bgparks.org.

Age: 7 - 12 years

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Tue	Mar 31 - May 19	5:15 - 6:15 pm	\$160/\$200

Instructor: Ciao Bella Sewing

Location: Community Arts Center

Fashion Design & Intermediate Sewing

This class is for our budding fashionistas! Come explore the world of fashion design, and create one of a kind pieces. Students will learn about the basic elements that go into garment creation, and through class work complete construction of clothing items. Hand sewing experience is required; students will work on a sewing machine during this program. For more information, contact Ann Marie Shipstad-Schwartz at 847.850.2152 or annmarie@bgparks.org.

Age: 8 - 12 years

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Tue	Mar 31 - May 19	4 - 5 pm	\$160/\$200

Instructor: Ciao Bella Sewing

Location: Community Arts Center

Video Game Lab

Let's create a game on the PC with Xbox controllers, using a visual programming language, where students can learn about creativity, problem solving, and collaboration. It's not just about programming. Stretch your imagination to design and build fun-filled, challenging games. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age: 8 - 12 years

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Thu	Apr 30 - May 21	6 - 7:15 pm	\$100/\$125

Instructor: Computer Explorers

Location: Alcott Center

Youth Sports & Fitness



Youth Sports in Buffalo Grove

There are thousands of children who participate in youth sports every year in Buffalo Grove. One measure of success in these programs is the number of parents who volunteer as coaches and assistant coaches. Unfortunately, many parents do not get involved because they feel a lack of knowledge about that particular sport; however, if they did get involved, even more kids could participate. We conduct Park District programs on a "participation" philosophy, meaning that we feel it is more important for all youths to play and enjoy the sport rather than to win at all costs. We never measure success in wins and losses. The Park District conducts training sessions for all new coaches with ideas to get them started. Youth sports coaches do not need experience, only the willingness and enthusiasm to coach. Kids and coaches alike should have fun. Coaching is a fulfilling aspect of any sport, especially youth sports. For more information, call 847.850.2100.

National Youth Sports Coaches Association

The Buffalo Grove Park District requires all of its youth sports coaches to pass the National Youths Sports Coaches Association (NYSCA) on-line clinic. This nationwide organization teaches parents that kids want to have fun and participate in all sports. The online clinic is designed for parents who have never coached as well as the seasoned veteran. With more youths registering for sports, the need for volunteer coaches grows each season. NYSCA training makes it easy for all parents to become a coach. For more information about NYSCA, visit their website at nays.org.

Bullying in Youth Sports

The Buffalo Grove Park District utilizes the National Youth Sports Coaches Association to provide volunteer coaches online training pertaining to bullying in youth sports by players and coaches. The online training will provide coaches the necessary educational tools to intervene and work with athletes. Coaches will also benefit by learning 3 types of bullying (physical, verbal, and relational), their differences, and their warning signs. For more information about NYSCA, visit their website at nays.org.

Parent & Tot Sports

Parents are an integral part of helping their tots develop basic sports movement and motor skills. Motor skill activities focus on hand/eye and hand/foot coordination. Sports equipment and instruction are provided to help guide your child through an introduction to organized sports. Parent or caregiver participation is required. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age: 2 - 3 years

Day	Date	Time	Fee
Sat	Apr 18 - May 23	9:15 - 9:45 am	\$75

Instructor: Hot Shots Sports

Location: Aptakisic Junior High School

Total Sports

This class features a new sport each week. Some of the sports taught and played include basketball, floor hockey, football, kickball, soccer, and baseball. In addition, participants play many popular running and group games. Children have the opportunity to acquire new skills and develop confidence in games they have played in previous classes. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age: 4 - 6 years

Day	Date	Time	Fee
Sat	Apr 18 - May 23	10 - 10:45 am	\$85

Instructor: Hot Shots Sports

Location: Aptakisic Junior High School

Mini Ninja Warriors

Leap, hop, skip, and run your way through obstacles, and put your ninja skills to the test. This fun movement-based class will challenge your ninja to maneuver over and under objects. We will also play many large-group games to further challenge their ninja skills. **Please note:** The class for 2 - 4-year-olds requires parent participation. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org

Age	Day	Date	Time	Fee
2 - 4 yrs	Thu	Apr 16 - May 21	4:30 - 5 pm	\$75
5 - 8 yrs	Thu	Apr 16 - May 21	5:15 - 6 pm	\$85

Instructor: Hot Shots Sports

Location: Meridian Middle School



Parent & Tot T-Ball

Young children will develop motor skills while having fun learning fielding, base running, and hitting off a tee. Parents and tots work together in this class, learning the basics of baseball. Teamwork and parent/child interaction will be emphasized, alongside basic motor functions and skills. A variety of activities will be played each week. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age: 2 - 3 years

Day	Date	Time	Fee
Sat	Apr 18 - May 23	11 - 11:30 am	\$75

Instructor: Hot Shots Sports Location: Aptakisic Junior High School

T-Ball Skills Clinic

This introductory T-ball program is perfect for a child who wants to have fun, make new friends, and be introduced to baseball. Participants enjoy learning the skills needed to play baseball, including offense and defense, as well as the rules and philosophies of the game. The program stresses teamwork over competition. All you need to bring is a glove. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age: 4 - 5 years

Day	Date	Time	Fee
Sat	Apr 18 - May 23	11:45 am - 12:30 pm	\$85

Instructor: Hot Shots Sports Location: Aptakisic Junior High School

Rookie Baseball

This class gives players an introduction to baseball. We will work on technique and enhancing form in this comprehensive skills clinic. This program teaches throwing mechanics as well as batting stance, bat positioning, and speed, using both live pitching and hitting off the tee. Players learn various positions in the field through gameplay and basic in-game strategy. Players should bring their own gloves and be ready for a fun, fast paced learning environment. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age: 6 - 7 years

Day	Date	Time	Fee
Sat	Apr 18 - May 23	12:30 - 1:15 pm	\$85

Instructor: Hot Shots Sports Location: Aptakisic Junior High School

Cricket - Introduction to Basics

Participants will learn the basics of the game through drills, practice sessions, and game simulation. Please wear comfortable active wear and bring your own cricket bat. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
6 - 11 yrs	M, W	Apr 20 - May 20	5 - 6 pm	\$300/\$375
12 - 16 yrs	M, W	Apr 20 - May 20	6 - 7 pm	\$300/\$375

Instructor: Chicago Youth Cricket Academy Location: Reiner Park

Parent & Tot Soccer

In this class, young children will develop motor skills while having fun running and kicking. Parents and tots work together learning the basics of soccer. Dribbling, passing, shooting, and kicking will all be emphasized with a variety of activities each week. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age: 2 - 3 years

Day	Date	Time	Fee
Fri	Apr 17 - May 22	4:30 - 5 pm	\$75

Instructor: Hot Shots Sports Location: Meridian Middle School

Pee Wee Soccer

Let your child's early soccer experience be a great one. The younger player develops their soccer skills and also gains confidence, coordination, motor skills, and communication. The program uses age-appropriate drills and exercises to teach players kicking, ball control, dribbling, and shooting. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age: 4 - 5 years

Day	Date	Time	Fee
Fri	Apr 17 - May 22	5 - 5:45 pm	\$85

Instructor: Hot Shots Sports Location: Meridian Middle School

Junior Soccer

Players develop their soccer skills and gain confidence, coordination, motor skills, and communication. The program uses age-appropriate drills and exercises to teach players kicking, ball control, dribbling, and shooting. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age: 6 - 7 years

Day	Date	Time	Fee
Fri	Apr 17 - May 22	5:45 - 6:30 pm	\$85

Instructor: Hot Shots Sports Location: Meridian Middle School

Soccer Skills Clinic 101

Players are introduced to the fundamentals of soccer tactics, such as passing the ball, offensive moves, defensive moves, keeping/controlling the ball, and taking the ball away from the opposing team. Players learn to score and prevent goals. Physical endurance and fitness are emphasized while touching the ball. At this age, the focus starts to change from simple games to organized, tactical, competitive games. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age: 8 - 10 years

Day	Date	Time	Fee
Fri	Apr 17 - May 22	6:30 - 7:30 pm	\$90

Instructor: Hot Shots Sports Location: Meridian Middle School

All Star Girls Basketball

This class for girls only will enhance basic skills such as dribbling, passing, shooting, and defense, while also concentrating on teamwork and game situations. Man-to-man and zone defenses are both taught along with offensive strategies that are guaranteed to keep the players moving. Equipment will be provided. For more information, contact Mike Pfeiffer at 847.850.2108 or mikep@bgparks.org.

Age	Day	Date	Time	Fee
7 - 9 yrs	Tue	Apr 7 - May 19	6:15 - 7:15 pm	\$90
10 - 12 yrs	Tue	Apr 7 - May 19	7:15 - 8:15 pm	\$90

Instructor: All Star Sports

Location: Prairie School

Basketball Level 1

This program will introduce your children to the game of basketball if they are beginners or if they need the know how to get to the next level. Basic skills of dribbling, passing, shooting, and defense will be taught. Equipment is provided, and games will be played to show the importance of teamwork in game situations. For more information, contact Mike Pfeiffer at 847.850.2108 or mikep@bgparks.org. **No class on May 23.**

Age	Day	Date	Time	Fee
2 - 4 yrs	Sat	Apr 11 - May 30	9 - 9:45 am	\$78
3 - 4 yrs	Sat	Apr 11 - May 30	9:45 - 10:45 am	\$78

Instructor: All Star Sports

Location: Prairie School

Basketball Level 2

These classes enhance the basics already taught in our level 1 class. Level 2 concentrates more on teamwork and game situations. Man-to-man and zone defense are both taught, along with offensive strategies that are guaranteed to keep the players moving. Equipment is provided. For more information, contact Mike Pfeiffer at 847.850.2108 or mikep@bgparks.org. **No class on May 23.**

Age: 4 - 6 years

Day	Date	Time	Fee
Sat	Apr 11 - May 30	10:45 - 11:45 am	\$78

Instructor: All Star Sports

Location: Prairie School

Basketball Level 3

This program is designed for the children to run the floor and play most of the time. Each position, along with offensive and defensive strategies, will be covered thoroughly. Each child must be ready to learn and work. They will be challenged, and their play will improve. Equipment is provided. For more information, contact Mike Pfeiffer at 847.850.2108 or mikep@bgparks.org. **No class on May 23.**

Age: 6 - 8 years

Day	Date	Time	Fee
Sat	Apr 11 - May 30	11:45 am - 12:45 pm	\$78

Instructor: All Star Sports

Location: Prairie School

Flag Football

Grade: 1 - 8

This 5-on-5 flag football league offers noncontact continuous action, with a minimal amount of equipment. The game emphasizes the basic football skills of throwing, catching, running, and defending. Participants will also learn formations, pass patterns, and types of defense.

Registration

Participants may register online, or complete a sports registration form at the Alcott Center and include full payment anytime between January 12 and March 1. If you haven't done so already, visit the website to set up your account information before online registration begins on January 12.

ID/OD Fee

\$140/\$175

Uniform

All players are required to wear the official Buffalo Grove Park District flag football jersey, introduced in Spring 2024. This blue and gray reversible jersey can be purchased for \$45 during registration. If a participant does not already own a current jersey, one must be purchased.

Fee

\$45

Required Equipment

Football cleats or gym shoes (metal or screw-in cleats are not allowed)
Mouth guard
Official Buffalo Grove Park District flag football jersey (mandatory for games)
Water bottle (recommended for all practices and games)

Season

Practices will begin in late March or early April, weather permitting. Games begin mid-April and will be played on Saturdays. A couple of games may be played on Sunday if necessary. The season will consist of 8 games, and teams will practice once a week. Jerseys, flags, and balls will be provided to teams.

Coaching

Parents who are interested in being a head coach should contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Girls Go Long Flag Football Clinic

Flag football is the newest IHSA-approved high school sport for girls, and participation has exploded. Experienced Flag instructors will help your girls of the gridiron hone their skills on both sides of the football - passing, running, catching, and one on one and zone defense. By the end of the program, participants will be primed to compete in their flag football leagues or excel in their school tryouts. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Grade	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
4 - 5	Tue	Apr 21 - May 26	5 - 5:55 pm	\$108/\$135
6 - 8	Tue	Apr 21 - May 26	6 - 6:55 pm	\$108/\$135
8 - 12	Thu	Apr 23 - May 28	6 - 6:55 pm	\$108/\$135

Instructor: Overtime Athletics Chicagoland

Location: Wellington Park

Teen Fitness Orientation

Would you like your teen to belong to the Fitness Center at the Buffalo Grove Park District? Students can become members of the Fitness Center by completing our Teen Fitness Orientation program. This is a 1-hour session led by a fitness specialist and will include a tour of the facility, a fitness and equipment orientation, and an overview of the facility rules, safety, and etiquette. **Please note:** A parent must accompany 14- and 15-year-olds for the session. A cancellation notice must be received no less than 24 hours in advance of the orientation or there will be an additional \$25 fee to reschedule the session. Once completed, participants will be eligible for one of our student pass options. Register in person at the Fitness Center. Proof of age is required. For more information, contact Debra Saper at 847.353.7512 or dsaper@bgparks.org.

Age: 14 - 15 years

Fee: \$50

Dodgeball

This class gives participants an opportunity to play dodgeball in a safe and supervised environment. The program uses super soft balls with the safety of game play being an important factor. Each week, different teams are formed and a different style of dodgeball are played. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age	Day	Date	Time	Fee
6 - 8 yrs	Thu	Apr 16 - May 21	6:15 - 7:15 pm	\$90
9 - 12 yrs	Thu	Apr 16 - May 21	7:15 - 8:15 pm	\$90

Instructor: Hot Shots Sports

Location: Meridian Middle School

Volleyball Skills

Our volleyball program is designed to equip our boys and girls with the essential fundamentals that are needed to succeed in this fast-paced game. Passing, setting, serving, defensive, and offensive strategies are all covered. Join us as we work on improving our footwork, teamwork, and overall basics as we take it to the next level. Participants need to bring knee and elbow pads. For more information, contact Mike Pfeiffer at 847.850.2108 or mikep@bgparks.org.

Age	Day	Date	Time	Fee
7 - 9 yrs	Thu	Apr 9 - May 21	6:15 - 7:15 pm	\$90
7 - 9 yrs	Fri	Apr 10 - May 22	6:15 - 7:15 pm	\$90
10 - 12 yrs	Thu	Apr 9 - May 21	7:15 - 8:15 pm	\$90
10 - 12 yrs	Fri	Apr 10 - May 22	6:15 - 7:15 pm	\$90

Instructor: All Star Sports

Location: Prairie School

Gymnastics & Tumbling

Introduce your child to gymnastics and tumbling. Students stretch, jump and tumble, while progressing from somersault to cartwheels and round offs in this fun class. **Please note:** Parents will participate with their child in the 2½ - 4 year old class. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org. **No class on March 25, 28, and April 4.**

Age	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
2 ½ - 4 yrs	Sat	Mar 7 - Apr 18	10 - 10:45 am	\$92/\$115
2 ½ - 4 yrs	Sat	Apr 25 - May 30	10 - 10:45 am	\$92/\$115
4 - 6 yrs	Sat	Mar 7 - Apr 18	10:45 - 11:45 am	\$92/\$115
4 - 6 yrs	Sat	Apr 25 - May 30	10:45 - 11:45 am	\$92/\$115
5 - 9 yrs	Wed	Mar 4 - Apr 15	4:30 - 5:30 pm	\$92/\$115
5 - 9 yrs	Wed	Apr 22 - May 27	4:30 - 5:30 pm	\$92/\$115
7 - 10 yrs	Sat	Mar 7 - Apr 18	11:45 am - 12:45 pm	\$92/\$115
7 - 10 yrs	Sat	Apr 25 - May 30	11:45 am - 12:45 pm	\$92/\$115

Instructor: Chicago Loves Dance

Location: Alcott Center

Cheerleading & Poms

Students will learn cheers as well as poms choreography weekly in this upbeat class. They will learn 3 - 4 new cheers weekly, work on form, as well as add on to their poms dance routine. The last day of the class will be a parent watch day where they will do a short performance the last 20 minutes of class to show off their new moves. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org. **No class on March 25.**

Age	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
5 - 9 yrs	Wed	Mar 4 - Apr 15	5:30 - 6:30 pm	\$92/\$115
5 - 9 yrs	Wed	Apr 22 - May 27	5:30 - 6:30 pm	\$92/\$115
6 - 12 yrs	Wed	Mar 4 - Apr 15	6:30 - 7:30 pm	\$92/\$115
6 - 12 yrs	Wed	Apr 22 - May 27	6:30 - 7:30 pm	\$92/\$115

Instructor: Chicago Loves Dance

Location: Alcott Center

Looking for Fitness Classes?

For a variety of fitness classes for youth and teens, scan the QR code below to see the entire list of classes being offered at the Fitness Center.



- Youth Fitness (10 - 14 years)
- Youth Boxing (10 - 15 years)
- Strong Girls (13 - 15 years)

Scan the QR code for our full schedule of classes offered.

Twin Rinks Ice Pavilion

Beginning learn-to-skate classes are held at Twin Rinks Ice Pavilion for children age 4 - 12 year olds with little or no ice experience. Balance and basic forward-skating skills are taught using the Ice Skating Institute program. For figure skating classes, skate rental is included. Gloves or mittens, knit hat or bicycle helmet, and lightweight clothing are required. For hockey classes, equipment rental is included (skates, helmet, and shin guards are required for hockey classes and are included in the price). Call Scott at 847.821.7465 extension 122 to arrange a fitting time before your first class. Twin Rinks Ice Pavilion is located at 1500 Abbott Court in Buffalo Grove, 1.7 miles north of Lake Cook Road on Weiland Road. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Beginner 1

This beginner-level program teaches basic skating skills, such as standing, falling, marching, 2-foot glide, 2-foot dip, beginner 1-foot glide, and beginner backward glide. **No class on May 25.**

Age: 4 - 6 years

Day	Date	Time	Fee
Mon	Mar 2 - Apr 20	4:40 - 5:10 pm	\$216
Thu	Mar 5 - Apr 23	4:40 - 5:10 pm	\$216
Sat	Mar 7 - Apr 25	9:20 - 9:50 am	\$216
Sat	Mar 7 - Apr 25	10 - 10:30 am	\$216
Sat	Mar 7 - Apr 25	11:05 - 11:35 am	\$216
Mon	May 4 - June 2	4:40 - 5:10 pm	\$113
Thu	May 7 - June 4	4:40 - 5:10 pm	\$140
Sat	May 9 - June 6	9:20 - 9:50 am	\$140
Sat	May 9 - June 6	10 - 10:30 am	\$140
Sat	May 9 - June 6	11:05 - 11:35 am	\$140

Instructor: Twin Rinks Staff

Location: Twin Rinks Ice Pavilion

Beginner 2

This beginner-level program teaches basic skating skills, such as forward skating, beginner 1-foot glide, forward swizzle, forward pump, back wiggle, snow plow stop, beginner crossovers, and backward pumps. **No class on May 25.**

Age: 7 - 12 years

Day	Date	Time	Fee
Mon	Mar 2 - Apr 20	4:40 - 5:20 pm	\$233
Thu	Mar 5 - Apr 23	4:40 - 5:20 pm	\$233
Sat	Mar 7 - Apr 25	9:20 - 10 am	\$233
Sat	Mar 7 - Apr 25	11:05 - 11:45 am	\$233
Mon	May 4 - June 2	4:40 - 5:20 pm	\$122
Thu	May 7 - June 4	4:40 - 5:20 pm	\$150
Sat	May 9 - June 6	9:20 - 10 am	\$150
Sat	May 9 - June 6	11:05 - 11:45 am	\$150

Instructor: Twin Rinks Staff

Location: Twin Rinks Ice Pavilion

Hockey Beginner

The main focus of this program is to improve balance, confidence, and agility. Skating skills such as 2-foot glides, marching on 2 skates, forward swizzles, forward scooters, inside edge slides, 2-foot jumps, and backward wiggles are taught.

Age: 4 - 12 years

Day	Date	Time	Fee
Tue	Mar 31 - June 2	5:20 - 6 pm	\$310
Sat	Apr 4 - June 6	12:10 - 12:50 pm	\$310

Instructor: Twin Rinks Staff

Location: Twin Rinks Ice Pavilion

Tennis

The certified trained tennis professionals of the Heritage Tennis Club look forward to seeing you on the court. Quick Start Tennis (ages 4 - 10) is designed for children 10 years and younger who are new to the game or who need additional instruction to rally using groundstrokes, volleys, and serve. Quick Start Tennis takes a new approach to introducing kids to the game by using fun-sized courts, nets, racquets, and balls. The lighter low-compression balls bounce lower, which helps develop proper techniques. Junior Tennis (ages 10 - 15) is designed for players 10 and older who want to learn and improve their tennis game. Junior Tennis classes will focus on improving all basic strokes, including forehand, backhand, volleys, serve, lobs, and overheads. In the event of bad weather, classes will be held indoors at Heritage Tennis Club. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
4 - 6 yrs	Sat	Apr 11 - May 16	9 - 10 am	\$132/\$165
7 - 10 yrs	Sat	Apr 11 - May 16	10 - 11 am	\$132/\$165
10 - 15 yrs	Sat	Apr 11 - May 16	11 am - 12 pm	\$132/\$165

Instructor: Heritage Tennis Club Staff

Location: Willow Stream

Tae Kwon-Do

Tae Kwon-Do is the most widely practiced martial art in the world. This program develops focus, confidence, self-control, discipline, and respect for others. Students work on anti-bullying, how to de-escalate a potential threat, and if needed, how to defend themselves. We strive to create a supportive, fun and very challenging environment for our students. Classes are taught by our staff of certified instructors. Families are encouraged to train together! Beginning students through 1 year of training will be taught fundamental techniques: stances, strikes, kicks, basic self-defense, fundamental exercises, and the first 3 patterns in the ITF TKD system. Intermediate students with 1 - 4 years of training will develop additional skills and higher-level techniques in striking, kicks, patterns, sparring, self-defense, and breaking. Jiu-Jitsu and Hapkido are also into the curriculum at the intermediate level. Advanced students with 4+ years of training will learn the importance of dedication and hard work, while honing and mastering their skills and techniques. Uniforms, test fees, and equipment are charged separately and handled with The Midwest Academy of Tae Kwon-Do. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age: 10 - 15 years

Level	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Beginner	Mon	Mar 9 - May 25	6 - 6:45 pm	\$140/\$175
Intermediate	Mon	Mar 9 - May 25	6:45 - 7:30 pm	\$140/\$175
Advanced	Mon	Mar 9 - May 25	7:30 - 8:30 pm	\$140/\$175
All Levels	Thu	Mar 12 - May 28	5:30 - 6:55 pm	\$140/\$175

Instructor: Midwest Academy of Tae Kwon-Do

Location: Emmerich Park



Karate

Illinois Shotokan Karate Club (ISKC) is Chicagoland’s premier karate school, taught under the instruction of John DiPasquale, a 4-time national champion and president of the American Shotokan Karate Association. ISKC’s karate classes help develop flexibility, strength, and coordination in fun, yet disciplined activities. This program offers a good mix of strength training with cardiovascular and flexibility exercises. Students increase their coordination, agility, and poise as well as learn lasting personal safety skills. They also benefit from the mental stimulation of learning the choreographed moves of the kata and the discipline of conforming to the class rules. Beginner students will not be permitted to register into the current session after the second class has met. Registration for continuing through advanced students will be accepted after the start date, but the full class fee is required. Frontier Park is located at 1933 N. Kennicott Drive in Arlington Heights. **Please note:** Uniforms and belt testing are options available through the instructor. Youth and adult classes may train together. All fees listed are per person. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age	Belt	Day	Date	Time	Location	ID/OD Fee
Pre Karate Beginner - No Experience						
4 - 6 yrs	Beginning - No Experience	Thu	Apr 2 - June 4	4 - 4:45 pm	Frontier Park - A.H.	\$164/\$205
4 - 6 yrs	Beginning/Continuing	Fri	Apr 3 - June 5	4 - 4:45 pm	Emmerich Park	\$164/\$205
4 - 6 yrs	Continuing	Thu	Apr 2 - June 4	4:50 - 5:35 pm	Frontier Park - A.H.	\$164/\$205
Youth Karate Teacher Permission						
6 - 14 yrs		Fri	Apr 3 - June 5	4:50 - 5:35 pm	Emmerich Park	\$164/\$205
Youth Karate Beginning/Continuing						
7 - 14 yrs	White	Sat	Apr 4 - June 6	9 - 9:55 am	Frontier Park - A.H.	\$164/\$205
7 - 15 yrs	White	Wed	Apr 1 - June 3	4 - 4:55 pm	Emmerich Park	\$164/\$205
Youth Karate Novice						
7 - 14 yrs	Red - Orange	Sat	Apr 4 - June 6	10 - 10:55 am	Frontier Park - A.H.	\$164/\$205
7 - 15 yrs	Red - Yellow	Wed	Apr 1 - June 3	5 - 5:55 pm	Emmerich Park	\$164/\$205
Youth Karate Intermediate						
6 - 14 yrs	Orange - Green	Fri	Apr 3 - June 5	5:45 - 6:45 pm	Emmerich Park	\$184/\$230
7 - 14 yrs	Yellow - Purple	Sat	Apr 4 - June 6	11 - 11:55 am	Frontier Park - A.H.	\$164/\$205
7 - 15 yrs	Blue - Purple	Wed	Apr 1 - June 3	6 - 6:55 pm	Emmerich Park	\$164/\$205
Youth Karate Advanced						
7 - 14 yrs	Brown - Black	Sat	Apr 4 - June 6	12 - 12:55 pm	Frontier Park - A.H.	\$164/\$205
7 - 15 yrs	Brown - Black	Wed	Apr 1 - June 3	7 - 8:30 pm	Emmerich Park	\$200/\$250
Youth/Adult Beginning/Continuing						
7 years and up	White Only	Sat	Apr 4 - June 6	9 - 9:55 am	Frontier Park - A.H.	\$164/\$205
Youth/Adult Novice						
7 years and up	Red - Orange	Sat	Apr 4 - June 6	10 - 10:55 am	Frontier Park - A.H.	\$164/\$205
Youth/Adult Intermediate						
7 years and up	Yellow - Purple	Sat	Apr 4 - June 6	11 - 11:55 am	Frontier Park - A.H.	\$164/\$205
Youth/Adult Advanced						
7 years and up	Brown - Black	Sat	Apr 4 - June 6	12 - 12:55 pm	Frontier Park - A.H.	\$164/\$205

Instructor: Illinois Shotokan Karate Club



**In-district
Registration
Opens
January 13**

**Out-of-district
Registration
Opens
January 20**

Payment Options

1 Option #1 - Full Payment
Full payment: Full payment includes the \$100 nonrefundable deposit per session per camper at time of registration.

2 Option #2 - Auto-Debit Installment Plan
This includes the \$100 nonrefundable deposit per session per camper at time of registration. The balance is auto-debited into 3 equal payments on March 1, April 1 and May 1.

1st payment March 1	2nd payment April 1	3rd payment May 1
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Camp Staff

The Buffalo Grove Park District’s summer camp staff will provide the best summer possible for your child. We hire our staff based on their character, leadership, enthusiasm, and creativity.

All Buffalo Grove Park District summer camps have an on-site supervisor to encourage leadership and guidance for each of our unique camps. Many of the previous summer camp supervisors will also be back, full of fresh ideas and renewed commitment. All summer camp staff complete a thorough orientation process that incorporates safety, creativity, team building, and daily activity planning. All camp supervisors are certified in National Safety Council first aid, CPR, and AED.

Camp Site Locations

In addition to using some of our own facilities, through cooperative arrangements with School Districts 21, 96, and 102, we strive to provide the best facilities for our summer day camps. Due to capital improvement projects at the various school districts, all camp locations are subject to change.

Transportation

The Buffalo Grove Park District does not provide daily transportation to or from camp, however we do utilize a school bus service for swimming and our many fun field trips.

Registration Information

The registration deadline is 1 week prior to the first day of each session for all camps, as well as Post Summer Camp field trips. All registrations received after those dates will need supervisor approval if spaces are available.

Establishing Residency & Household Account

Newly created accounts are flagged as out-of-district until proof of in-district residency is established. Visit our website at bgparks.org and click on “Program Registration” at the bottom of the page to begin the process of creating your account.

You must provide proof of residency at the Alcott Center to receive in-district registration access. The only acceptable forms of proof include a valid driver’s license or state identification card, or a current electric, gas, water or garbage bill. Contact us at 847.850.2100 or registrar@bgparks.org if you have any questions.

Online Registration Process

In order to register online you must have your household account set up in the Park District’s new registration system. If you have an account, please verify your username and password prior to the first day of registration. If you do not remember your information there is a link on the login page for username and password retrieval. In-person registration is accepted at the Alcott Center.

Payment Methods

We accept cash, check, ACH (eCheck), Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover. If you have any questions, call the registration office at 847.850.2100. **Please note:** There is a 3% service fee on all credit card transactions. To avoid paying a credit card fee, register online and pay with ACH (eCheck) payments.

Refunds

Refund requests received on or before 1 week prior to the first day of camp session will be issued, minus the nonrefundable \$100 deposit and a \$5 administrative fee. Refund requests received after those dates will only be issued when accompanied by a current doctor’s note. Refund requests for Post Summer Adventure received on or before 1 week prior to the first day will receive a full refund, minus a \$5 administrative fee. Refund requests after that day will receive a 50% refund. If you used a credit card for the original transaction, the 3% processing fee charged at the time of registration is nonrefundable.

Waitlist

If a camp session reaches capacity, your child will be placed on a waiting list. Please ensure that info@bgparks.org is added to your contacts and check your email regularly. If a space becomes available, you will receive an email directing you to log in to your Amilia account to accept the opening. You will have seven 7 days to respond. Beginning April 1, the response window will be reduced to 3 days. If no response is received within the allotted timeframe, the offer will expire and the space will be offered to the next child on the waiting list.

Transfers

Families may transfer from camps and waitlists only once. Additional transfer requests will be charged \$15. Visit the camps page of our website for the Refund/Transfer Request form.

The Buffalo Grove Park District reserves the right to cancel any camp with insufficient enrollment. If a camp is canceled by the Park District, all registered campers in that program will be contacted and offered an alternate camp. A full refund will be given to each participant the Park District is unable to accommodate.



Preschool Camp - 2s

A parent/caregiver stays with your child during this entire camp experience; that is the ideal introduction for your little one to discover the excitement of a group setting. Children will explore a variety of crafts, dive into sensory play, enjoy music and movement sessions, and benefit from unstructured free play. To top it all off, sprinkler time provides a refreshing splash of fun. **Please note:** Register your child based on the age they will be on September 1, 2026, and participants may only sign up for one section of this camp. A \$100 nonrefundable, nontransferable deposit is required with registration. The deposit is applied toward the total camp fee. For more information, contact Keri Isacovici at 847.850.2111 or keri@bgparks.org. **No camp on July 3.**

Age: 2 years by Sept. 1, 2026

Day	Date	Time	Fee
M, W	June 8 - July 29	10 - 11:30 am	\$385
Tu, Th	June 9 - July 30	10 - 11:30 am	\$385

Location: Alcott Center

Preschool Camp - 3s

Get ready for a summer full of giggles, creativity, and play! Our preschool camp is just right for adventurous 3-year-olds who love to explore. Each day brings something new—hands-on art projects, imaginative playtime, silly songs, finger plays, and story adventures. We'll head outdoors for parachute fun, playground time, group games, and water play on warm days. It's a joyful, nurturing space where campers can make friends, learn new things, and simply have fun. **Please note:** Register your child based on the age they will be on September 1, 2026, and participants may sign up for only one section of this camp. A \$100 nonrefundable, nontransferable deposit is required with registration. For more information, contact Keri Isacovici at 847.850.2111 or keri@bgparks.org. **No camp on July 3.**

Age: 3 years by Sept. 1, 2026

Day	Date	Time	Fee
M, W, F	June 8 - July 31	9:30 am - 12 pm	\$890
Tu, Th	June 9 - July 30	9:30 am - 12 pm	\$595

Location: Alcott Center

Preschool Camp - 4s and 5s

This camp is bursting with summertime fun! Children will enjoy a lively mix of indoor play, music, creative art projects, outdoor exploration, games, and water play. Each classroom is thoughtfully set up with cozy books, engaging toys, and hands-on sensory activities, creating a comfortable, welcoming space where campers feel right at home. From curious discoveries to new friendships, every day brings fresh adventures and happy moments. Children must be toilet-trained by the first day of camp. Campers need to bring a nut-free lunch, water bottle, bathing suit, towel, water shoes, sunscreen, gym shoes, and socks daily. **Please note:** Register your child based on the age they will be on September 1, 2026, and participants may sign up for only one section of this camp. A \$100 nonrefundable, nontransferable deposit is required with registration. The deposit is applied toward the total camp fee. For more information, contact Keri Isacovici at 847.850.2111 or keri@bgparks.org. **No camp on July 3.**

Age: 4 - 5 years by Sept. 1, 2026

Day	Date	Time	Fee
M, W, F	June 8 - July 31	9:30 am - 12 pm	\$915
Tu, Th	June 9 - July 30	9:30 am - 12 pm	\$610
M, Tu, W, Th, F	June 8 - July 31	9:30 am - 12 pm	\$1620

Location: Alcott Center

Safety Stars Camp

Safety Stars Camp invites campers to join in lively songs, hands-on activities, and thoughtful conversations about staying safe in everyday places—at home, on the playground, around water, while traveling, and when meeting new people. One of the highlights of camp is time spent in Safety Town, where children pedal trikes and drive motorized cars along kid-sized roads, practicing how to make smart, safe choices. Throughout the session, we'll welcome special community guests who help bring safety concepts to life in friendly and memorable ways. And since it's summertime, you can count on water play days too! Please send your camper with a bike helmet, peanut-free lunch and snack, swimsuit, towel, gym shoes and water shoes, water bottle, and socks. **Please note:** Register based on your child's age as of September 1, 2026. A \$100 nonrefundable, nontransferable deposit is required with registration. The deposit is applied toward the total camp fee. For more info, contact Keri Isacovici at 847.850.2111 or keri@bgparks.org. **No camp on July 3.**

Age: 4 - 6 years

Day	Date	Time	Fee
M, W, F	June 8 - July 31	9 am - 2 pm	\$940

Location: Rick Drazner Park



Safety Stars Mini Camp

Campers will dive into important safety skills, covering traffic, home, water, travel, playgrounds, and stranger awareness through games, songs, crafts, and hands-on activities. The highlight is zooming around our Safety Town course on trikes and motorized cars while practicing safe choices. We'll also welcome special guest visitors and enjoy sunny water play days, making this a truly "safetastic" experience. Please send campers each day with a bike helmet, peanut-free lunch and snack, swimsuit, towel, gym shoes and water shoes, water bottle, and socks. **Please note:** Register based on your child's age as of September 1, 2026. For more info, contact Keri Isacovici at 847.850.2111 or keri@bgparks.org. **No camp on July 3.**

Age: 4 - 6 years

Day	Date	Time	Fee
M, Tu, W, Th, F	Aug 3 - Aug 7	9 am - 2 pm	\$260

Location: Rick Drazner Park

Kinder Camp

Get ready for a summer filled with creativity, play, and new friends! This camp is perfect for children entering kindergarten in the fall and offers a little bit of everything, from thematic arts and crafts to dance and group games, silly songs, and plenty of outdoor exploration. Campers should bring a nut-free lunch and snack, water bottle, and sunscreen each day so we're ready for whatever fun comes our way! Camp Connection is also available for added flexibility for families. **Please note:** Register your child based on the grade they will be entering this upcoming fall. A \$100 nonrefundable, nontransferable deposit is required with registration. The deposit is applied toward the total camp fee. For more information, contact: Keri Isacovici at 847.850.2111 or keri@bgparks.org. **No camp on July 3.**

Grade: Kindergarten

Day	Date	Time	Fee
M, Tu, W, Th, F	June 8 - July 2	9 am - 2 pm	\$703
M, Tu, W, Th, F	July 6 - July 31	9 am - 2 pm	\$740

Location: TBD



Adventure

Get ready for a summer bursting with fun! Each week brings a new theme packed with hands-on activities, creative projects, and high-energy games. Campers will dive into arts and crafts, splash through water play, and enjoy both swim lessons and open swim at the pool. Every session also features exciting field trips to make each week even more memorable. Campers should bring a lunch, beverage, water bottle, and sunscreen each day. On swim days, don't forget a clearly labeled swimsuit and towel to dive right into the fun! Camp Connection is available for this camp. Camp Connection is available for this camp. **Please note:** Register your child based on the grade they are entering next fall. For more information, Amanda Busch at 847.850.2134 or amanda@bgparks.org. **No camp on July 3.**

Grade	Day	Date	Time	Fee
1 - 2	M, Tu, W, Th, F	June 8 - July 2	9 am - 3 pm	\$722
1 - 2	M, Tu, W, Th, F	July 6 - July 31	9 am - 3 pm	\$760

Location: Prairie School

Grade	Day	Date	Time	Fee
1 - 2	M, Tu, W, Th, F	June 8 - July 2	9 am - 3 pm	\$722
1 - 2	M, Tu, W, Th, F	July 6 - July 31	9 am - 3 pm	\$760
3 - 4	M, Tu, W, Th, F	June 8 - July 2	9 am - 3 pm	\$722
3 - 4	M, Tu, W, Th, F	July 6 - July 31	9 am - 3 pm	\$760

Location: Longfellow school

Grade	Day	Date	Time	Fee
1 - 2	M, Tu, W, Th, F	June 8 - July 2	9 am - 3 pm	\$722
1 - 2	M, Tu, W, Th, F	July 6 - July 31	9 am - 3 pm	\$760
3 - 4	M, Tu, W, Th, F	June 8 - July 2	9 am - 3 pm	\$722
3 - 4	M, Tu, W, Th, F	July 6 - July 31	9 am - 3 pm	\$760

Location: Willow Grove School



Fun & Games Galore

This summer, campers will experience a world of fun, creativity, and excitement! From hands-on arts and crafts to splash-filled water play and high-energy games, every day is packed with adventure. Each session also features open swim and unforgettable field trips that create memories to last all season long. Campers should bring a lunch, beverage, water bottle, and sunscreen each day. On swim days, don't forget a clearly labeled swimsuit and towel so you can jump right into the fun! Camp Connection is available for this camp. For more information, contact Amanda Busch at 847.850.2134 or amanda@bgparks.org. **No camp on July 3.**

Grade	Day	Date	Time	Fee
1 - 3	M, Tu, W, Th, F	June 8 - July 2	8:30 am - 2:30 pm	\$722
1 - 3	M, Tu, W, Th, F	July 6 - July 31	8:30 am - 2:30 pm	\$760
4 - 6	M, Tu, W, Th, F	June 8 - July 2	8:30 am - 2:30 pm	\$722
4 - 6	M, Tu, W, Th, F	July 6 - July 31	8:30 am - 2:30 pm	\$760

Location: Prairie School

Grove on the Go

Grove on the Go is the longest full day camp, consisting of fun activities that include arts and crafts, outside play, and active games. We will have open swim, and 2 field trips per week. Campers will need to bring a swimsuit and towel on all swim days, a lunch and beverage, a water bottle, and sunscreen daily. Camp Connection is available for this camp. **Please note:** Register your child based on the grade they are entering next fall. For more information, contact Shannon McClure at 847.850.2121 or shannon@bgparks.org. **No camp on July 3.**

Grade	Day	Date	Time	Fee
3 - 4	M, Tu, W, Th, F	June 8 - July 2	8:30 am - 2:45 pm	\$817
3 - 4	M, Tu, W, Th, F	July 6 - July 31	8:30 am - 2:45 pm	\$860
5 - 6	M, Tu, W, Th, F	June 8 - July 2	8:30 am - 2:45 pm	\$817
5 - 6	M, Tu, W, Th, F	July 6 - July 31	8:30 am - 2:45 pm	\$860

Location: Aptakisic Junior High School



Sports Camp

Every day at Sports Camp is fun and exciting! Activities include games like capture the flag, floor hockey, basketball, football, soccer, and dodgeball. Each week will include 1 or 2 field trips to a variety of fun places, such as water parks, bowling, and mini golf. It is a full day of fun and friends. Participants must bring a lunch, water bottle, and sunscreen daily. All items should be clearly labeled. Friend requests are not necessary, and Camp Connection is available for this camp. **Please note:** Register your child based on the grade they are entering next fall. For more information, contact Shannon McClure at 847.850.2121 or shannon@bgparks.org. **No camp on July 3.**

Grade	Day	Date	Time	Fee
3 - 4	M, Tu, W, Th, F	June 8 - July 2	9:15 am - 3:15 pm	\$836
3 - 4	M, Tu, W, Th, F	July 6 - July 31	9:15 am - 3:15 pm	\$880
5 - 6	M, Tu, W, Th, F	June 8 - July 2	9:15 am - 3:15 pm	\$836
5 - 6	M, Tu, W, Th, F	July 6 - July 31	9:15 am - 3:15 pm	\$880

Location: Aptakisic Junior High School

Cycle & Surf

This camp emphasizes biking and swimming, with daily sports and games. While not strenuous, this camp is best suited for campers who enjoy riding their bike moderate distances on a daily basis. Campers will enjoy 1 field trip per week. All campers must have a bike in good working condition (must be a traditional pedal-powered bike; electric bikes are not allowed) and a bike helmet. Campers must bring a lunch, 2 water bottles, a helmet, and sunscreen daily. Camp Connection is available for this camp. **Please note:** Register your child based on the grade they are entering next fall. For more information, contact Shannon McClure at 847.850.2121 or shannon@bgparks.org. **No camp on July 3.**

Grade	Day	Date	Time	Fee
5 - 6	M, Tu, W, Th, F	June 8 - July 2	8:45 am - 2:45 pm	\$703
5 - 6	M, Tu, W, Th, F	July 6 - July 31	8:45 am - 2:45 pm	\$740
7 - 8	M, Tu, W, Th, F	June 8 - July 2	8:45 am - 2:45 pm	\$703
7 - 8	M, Tu, W, Th, F	July 6 - July 31	8:45 am - 2:45 pm	\$740

Location: Golf Dome

Xtreme Teens

Is your teen ready for fun and exciting road trips? Then Xtreme Teens is for them! This active camp offers a wide variety of activities, including 1 day of open swim, sports, team building, and 3 or 4 field trips per week to places all around the Chicagoland area. Campers must bring a lunch and beverage, water bottle, and sunscreen daily. Camp Connection is available for this camp. **Please note:** Register your child based on the grade they are entering next fall. For more information, contact Shannon McClure at 847.850.2121 or shannon@bgparks.org. **No camp on July 3.**

Grade: 6-8

Day	Date	Time	Fee
M, Tu, W, Th, F	June 8 - July 2	9 am - 3 pm	\$874
M, Tu, W, Th, F	July 6 - July 31	9 am - 3 pm	\$920

Location: TBD

Star Makers

Calling all young performers! This camp is designed for children who enjoy acting, singing, and dancing. Campers will learn the basics of theater while working together to create a show for an end-of-session showcase. Each week features a fun theme, including a dress-up days, swim lessons, games, activities, and crafts. Campers will also enjoy field trips each session. With the unmatched Star Makers staff, camp days are filled with fun, creativity, and laughter. Campers must bring jazz or ballet shoes, a lunch, a reusable water bottle, and sunscreen daily. Camp Connection is available for this camp. **Please note:** Register your child based on the grade they are entering next fall. For more information, contact Ann Marie Shipstad-Schwartz at 847.850.2152 or anmmarie@bgparks.org. **No camp on July 3.**

Grade: 1 - 2

Day	Date	Time	Fee
M, Tu, W, Th, F	June 8 - July 2	9 am - 3 pm	\$808
M, Tu, W, Th, F	July 6 - July 31	9 am - 3 pm	\$850

Location: Ivy Hall School

Broadway Bound

Calling all theater kids! This camp is designed for children with all experience levels, and every camper will be cast in a production performed for family and friends during the final week of camp. This camp includes instruction from professional teaching artists, production elements and supplies, open swim, field trips, and arts and crafts. Campers will have fun rehearsing for their show while learning about all areas of theater. Each week includes theater games and activities, design prompts, color clash challenges, and themed dress-up days. Everyone gets to be a star at this camp, as we explore the performing arts together. Campers must bring jazz or ballet shoes, lunch, a reusable water bottle, and sunscreen each day. Camp Connection is available for this camp. **Please note:** Register your child based on the grade they are entering next fall. For more information, contact Ann Marie Shipstad-Schwartz at 847.850.2152 or anmmarie@bgparks.org. **No camp on July 3.**

Grade: 3 - 8

Day	Date	Time	Fee
M, Tu, W, Th, F	June 8 - July 2	9:15 am - 3:15 pm	\$912
M, Tu, W, Th, F	July 6 - July 31	9:15 am - 3:15 pm	\$960
M, Tu, W, Th, F	June 8 - July 31	9:15 am - 3:15 pm	\$1872

Location: Community Arts Center



Dance Camp

Calling all dancers! This camp is designed for dancers with at least 1 full year of dance experience. Campers will expand their dance knowledge during daily classes in a variety of styles, including jazz, hip hop, ballet, tap, and contemporary. Campers will grow as performers and artists while learning new routines for the end of session showcase. Camp will feature technique and choreography classes, theme weeks with a dress up day, swimming, field trips, games, and crafts. Campers must bring jazz or ballet shoes and tap shoes; lunch, a water bottle, and sunscreen daily. Camp connection is available for this camp. **Please note:** Register your child based on the grade they are entering next fall. For more information, contact Aly Stanczak at 847.850.2105 or aly@bgparks.org. **No camp on July 3.**

Grade	Day	Date	Time	Fee
1 - 3	M, Tu, W, Th, F	June 8 - July 2	9 am - 3 pm	\$836
1 - 3	M, Tu, W, Th, F	July 6 - July 31	9 am - 3 pm	\$880

Location: Ivy Hall School

Grade	Day	Date	Time	Fee
4 - 8	M, Tu, W, Th, F	June 8 - July 2	9:15 am - 3:15 pm	\$836
4 - 8	M, Tu, W, Th, F	July 6 - July 31	9:15 am - 3:15 pm	\$880

Location: Community Arts Center



★ ★ ★ CampConnection ★ ★ ★

Camp Connection is a before- and after-camp program designed to accommodate working parents. Camp Connection will be managed like camp and will not just be free play. Activities will include sports, arts and crafts, indoor and outdoor games, and other fun summertime activities.

Camp Connection is only for campers who are enrolled in the Buffalo Grove Park District Camp programs and must be entering Kindergarten through 8th grade next fall.

The morning Camp Connection begins as early as 7 am and ends at the starting time of the camper's individual camp. The afternoon Camp Connection will start when the camper's individual camp ends and goes until 6 pm. Snack will be provided in the afternoon session only during Camp Connection. Any children with food allergies may bring their own snack each day.

The Park District will do everything possible to keep Camp Connection locations at each camp site. However, due to varying levels of enrollment, participants may have to be transported to another location. In these instances, transportation from the participant's camp site to the Camp Connection location will be provided.

Camp Connection is a separate registration from camp. Camp Connection registration will open March 2 and close May 29. All registrations received after May 29 will be placed on a waitlist and contacted once a spot opens. A nonrefundable registration fee of \$25 per participant is required at the time of enrollment. **Please note:** There is a 2-day minimum per week. For more information, contact Shannon McClure at 847.850.2121 or shannon@bgparks.org. **No Camp Connection on July 3.**

Grade: K-8

Day	Time	1st Session Fee	2nd Session Fee
M	7am - Start of Camp	\$64	\$64
M	End of camp - 6 pm	\$80	\$80
Tu	7am - Start of Camp	\$64	\$64
Tu	End of camp - 6 pm	\$80	\$80
W	7am - Start of Camp	\$64	\$64
W	End of camp - 6 pm	\$80	\$80
Th	7am - Start of Camp	\$64	\$64
Th	End of camp - 6 pm	\$80	\$80
F	7am - Start of Camp	\$48	\$64
F	End of camp - 6 pm	\$60	\$80
Addition Days	7am - Start of Camp	\$16	\$16
Addition Days	End of camp - 6 pm	\$20	\$20

Location: TBD

Post Summer Adventure

Can't get enough of camp? We are offering an extra week of all-day fun that will include arts and crafts, athletic games, time outside, and daily field trips! Refund requests for Post Summer Adventure received on or before July 25 will receive a full refund, minus a \$5 administrative fee. Refund requests after that will receive a 50% refund. Registration for this program will end on July 31 or when the program becomes full. For more information, contact Shannon McClure at 847.850.2121 or shannon@bgparks.org.

Grade: K-8

Day	Date	Time	Fee
M	Aug 3	8 am - 5 pm	\$70
Tu	Aug 4	8 am - 5 pm	\$70
W	Aug 5	8 am - 5 pm	\$70
Th	Aug 6	8 am - 5 pm	\$70
F	Aug 7	8 am - 5 pm	\$70

Location: Golf Dome



Buffalo Grove Park District
AQUATICS

Opening
 May 29

Spray 'N Play

Public Hours

Open May 29 through August 30

Monday - Friday	10 am - 7 pm
Saturday & Sunday	12:30 - 7 pm
July 4	12 - 5 pm

Daily Admission Fees

12 months and under	Free
Children & Adults	\$5
Seniors 62 & up	\$3

Pool pass holders receive a \$1 discount.

Spray 'N Play Twilight Time

Daily	5 - 7 pm
Children & Adults	\$3
Seniors 62 & up	\$2

Over 10,000 square feet of water play surface

- ★ Interactive Spray Features ★ Water Cannons ★ Sunshades
- ★ Washrooms/Family Changing Area ★ Large Picnic Area



For more information about aquatics programs, contact Phoebe Guercio at 847.850.2109 or phoebe@bgparks.org.

Ultimate & Splash Bash Parties

Hours

Saturday & Sunday	10 am - 12 pm
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Rental Fees

Ultimate Party

\$440/\$660 (ID/OD) - Up to 180 guests and 2 hours of exclusive use.

Splash Bash Party

\$247/\$370 (ID/OD) - Up to 65 guests and 2 hours of use, which may be shared with an additional 2 other Splash Bash Party rentals. Any additional guests must pay an entrance fee of \$5 per person.

Mini Splash Bash Party

\$217/\$325 (ID/OD) - This fee includes 2 hours of use and admission for up to 50 guests, though seating is limited to 38 guests with room for standing. Any additional guests must pay an entrance fee of \$5 per person.

Party Deck

\$177/\$265 (ID/OD) - This fee includes 2 hours of use during regular hours (shared time with general admission guests) and admission for up to 65 guests. Any additional guests must pay an entrance fee of \$5 per person.

For more information about Spray 'N Play **group rates**, contact Phoebe Guercio at 847.850.2109 or phoebe@bgparks.org.

For more information about Spray 'N Play **Parties**, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.



Swimming Lessons

All swim lessons will be taught using the Starfish Aquatic Institute’s Swim School and Stroke School core competencies. Swimmers will progress from Water Babies/Tots to Tadpoles and then through Swim School - red, yellow, blue, and green, and Stroke School - white, red, yellow, blue, and green. It is not necessary for you to know your child’s swim level, as they will be tested on the first day of class and placed in the appropriate level. We do not offer makeup lessons for missed classes. **Please note:** Due to staffing requirements, you must register for all swim classes at least 5 business days prior to the start of class. No walk-in registrations are accepted the day class starts.

Teens & Adults

Private lessons are available for those 16 years and up. For more information, contact Phoebe Guercio at 847.850.2109 or phoebe@bgparks.org.

Water Babies

These classes are designed to introduce infants and toddlers ages 6 months to 2 years to the water. They take place in the 92-degree temperature of our therapy pool and require active, in-water participation from a parent/guardian. Class includes group and free-time activities to help new swimmers adjust to a large body of water and become comfortable in and around the pool. This program is designed as a fundamental introduction to our instructional youth program. Children must wear a swim diaper under their swimsuit. For more information, contact Phoebe Guercio at 847.850.2109 or phoebe@bgparks.org. **No class on March 22, 29, and April 5.**

Age: 6 months - 2 years

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Sun	Mar 8 - May 3	4 - 4:30 pm	\$56/\$70

Instructor: Staff

Location: Fitness Center

Water Tots

Are you ready for a little more of a challenge for your toddler? This parent/tot class takes place in the 92-degree temperature of our therapy pool and is designed to take your little swimmer to the next level. Class includes group and free-time activities to prepare your toddler for instruction without parent/guardian participation. Children must wear a swim diaper under their swimsuit. In-water participation from a parent/guardian is required. For more information, contact Phoebe Guercio at 847.850.2109 or phoebe@bgparks.org. **No class on March 22, 29, and April 5.**

Age: 2 - 3 years

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Sun	Mar 8 - May 3	2:45 - 3:15 pm	\$64/\$80
Sun	Mar 8 - May 3	3:30 - 4 pm	\$64/\$80

Instructor: Staff

Location: Fitness Center

Tadpoles

Introduce your swimmer to the water with small class sizes of 1 instructor per 4 students. Your swimmer will get acclimated to the water while learning survival skills and the fundamentals of the basic strokes. Classes will take place in the warm-water therapy pool. For more information, contact Phoebe Guercio at 847.850.2109 or phoebe@bgparks.org. **No class on March 22, 29, and April 5.**

Age: 3 - 4 years

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Sun	Mar 8 - May 3	1 - 1:30 pm	\$84/\$105
Sun	Mar 8 - May 3	1:30 - 2 pm	\$84/\$105
Sun	Mar 8 - May 3	2 - 2:30 pm	\$84/\$105

Instructor: Staff

Location: Fitness Center

Group Lessons

In this program, participants will follow the Starfish Swim School and Stroke School stages to achieve both skill and safety benchmarks. Class sizes will not exceed a 6:1 student to instructor ratio. For more information, contact Phoebe Guercio at 847.850.2109 or phoebe@bgparks.org. **No class on March 22, 29, and April 5.**

Age: 5 - 12 years

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Sun	Mar 8 - May 3	2:20 - 2:50 pm	\$76/\$95
Sun	Mar 8 - May 3	2:55 - 3:25 pm	\$76/\$95
Sun	Mar 8 - May 3	3:30 - 4 pm	\$76/\$95

Instructor: Staff

Location: Fitness Center

Private Lessons

Participants will follow the Starfish Swim School and Stroke School stages to achieve both skill and safety benchmarks. Private lessons are ideal for those wanting to learn to swim at any age. These lessons will help develop and refine strokes, so students can swim with ease, efficiency, power, and smoothness. These lessons are also designed to help focus on water-safety skills while progressing through various swim strokes. Private lessons are provided with a 1:1 student-to-instructor ratio. For more information, contact Phoebe Guercio at 847.850.2109 or phoebe@bgparks.org. **No class on March 22, 29, and April 5.**

Age: 3 years and up

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Sun	Mar 8 - May 3	9 - 9:30 am	\$192/\$240
Sun	Mar 8 - May 3	9:30 - 10 am	\$192/\$240
Sun	Mar 8 - May 3	10 - 10:30 am	\$192/\$240
Sun	Mar 8 - May 3	10:30 - 11 am	\$192/\$240
Sun	Mar 8 - May 3	11 - 11:30 am	\$192/\$240
Sun	Mar 8 - May 3	11:30 am - 12 pm	\$192/\$240
Sun	Mar 8 - May 3	12 - 12:30 pm	\$192/\$240
Sun	Mar 8 - May 3	12:45 - 1:15 pm	\$192/\$240
Sun	Mar 8 - May 3	1:15 - 1:45 pm	\$192/\$240
Sun	Mar 8 - May 3	1:45 - 2:15 pm	\$192/\$240

Instructor: Staff

Location: Fitness Center

Swim Team Prep

Is your child thinking about joining a swim team in the future? This class is structured to give them an exposure to competitive swimming with extra practice in each of the competitive strokes (freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke, and butterfly). In addition, there will be an emphasis on endurance, flip turns, and diving ability. Classes will be run clinic-style, and you can expect to see stroke refinement and improvement in overall performance. This course will have a ratio of no more than 12 swimmers per instructor. Participants must be able to swim 50 yards freestyle continuously and have passed the Buffalo Grove Park District Stroke School green or an equivalent. For more information, contact Phoebe Guercio at 847.850.2109 or phoebe@bgparks.org. No class on March 22, 29, and April 5.

Age: 6 - 15 years

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Sun	Mar 8 - May 3	9:30 - 10 am	\$104/\$130
Sun	Mar 8 - May 3	10:45 - 11:45 am	\$104/\$130

Instructor: Staff

Location: Buffalo Grove High School

Hurricanes Swim Team Tryouts

All new swimmers to the team must register to try out for the Hurricanes Swim Team. Any swimmers on the Hurricanes team in the summer of 2025 or winter of 2025-26 do not need to try out again. Selections will be made based on swimming potential/skill and attitude. There is a \$10 fee to try out; fees for the team will be charged to those who make the team during summer registration. Only register for one day of tryouts. Please arrive 15 minutes early; we will begin promptly at the designated start time. For more information, contact Phoebe Guercio at 847.850.2109 or phoebe@bgparks.org.

Age: 5 - 18 years

Day	Date	Time	Fee
Mon	Apr 6	7 - 8 pm	\$10
Tue	Apr 7	7 - 8 pm	\$10

Location: Buffalo Grove High School

Lifeguard Training

This class is for anyone who wishes to be lifeguard certified, and it is the perfect time to gain your certification. You will be spending time in the water each day, so be ready to swim on the first day. All graduates will receive StarGuard Elite Lifeguard Certification. To be eligible for this class, candidates must be 15 years old by the last day of class and be able to complete a prerequisite skills test that includes a 150-yard swim using freestyle, breaststroke, the guard tube, and retrieval of a brick from the bottom of the pool. Candidates who cannot complete the prerequisite skills test will be dismissed from the program and granted a partial refund. Attendance at all sessions is required. All candidates will need to complete the pre-course study prior to the first day; an email will be sent out with that link. For more information, contact Phoebe Guercio at 847.850.2109 or phoebe@bgparks.org.

Age: 15 years and up

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Tu, W, Th, F	Mar 24 - Mar 27	12 - 6 pm	\$100/\$125

Instructor: Staff

Location: Buffalo Grove High School



847.235.6857

Find out when Park District programs get canceled. You can also view online, or get alerts sent to your phone. For more information, visit bgparks.org.



Raupp Museum

Raupp Museum

901 Dunham Lane
Phone: 847.850.2135

Raupp Museum Hours

Sunday 1 - 4 pm
Monday - Thursday 11 am - 4:30 pm
Friday & Saturday Closed

Please note: Educational programs can be scheduled during the Museum's public hours, but they may also be scheduled at other times by contacting us at 847.850.2135.

Museum Exhibits

Main Exhibit

Experience the ways Buffalo Grove has changed as you walk through 150 years of history. Visitors can learn what grew in a Potawatomi garden, sit on the porch of an 1890s farmhouse, milk the Museum's replica dairy cow, try a typewriter, and see a bicycle from 1958. Learn how Buffalo Grove got started and also how it grew into the community it is today.

Play That Tune

January 18 - May 3

Explore the history of music and its role in Buffalo Grove, from the live bands of the 1880s to the advent of radio and portable devices. Learn about the significance of music in community events, faith, and daily life. Tour examples of the technology that brought music to the ears of Buffalo Grove.

Join us May 2 for Mom and Me Tea - a special pre-Mother's Day celebration.

See page 39 for more information.

Museum Programs

Spring Break Walk-In Activities

1 - 3:30 pm

Free

During spring break from school, the Raupp Museum will be featuring free walk-in activities from 1 - 3:30 pm. No need to register, just stop by to get hands on with history and celebrate spring. **Please note:** Children must be accompanied by an adult caregiver.

Day	Activity
Monday, March 23	Plant seeds for spring
Tuesday, March 24	Clothespin butterfly magnet
Wednesday, March 25	Paper plate ladybug
Thursday, March 26	Pinwheels
Friday, March 27	Make a kite

School's Out? The Museum is Open

1 - 3:30 pm

FREE

On the following days, school is closed, but the Raupp Museum will be open with free walk-in activities from 1 - 3:30 pm. Join us to learn something new, try something fun, and get hands-on with history. **Please note:** All children must be accompanied by an adult caregiver.

Day	Holiday	Activity
March 2	Pulaski Day	Make a horse magnet



Museum at Your Meeting

Make your meeting memorable! The Raupp Museum can provide the guest speaker for your next community or club meeting, whether it is in person or virtual. Museum speakers are available for afternoon and evening presentations. To learn more, contact museum@bgparks.org.

Presentation Topics

- Ballots, Babes, and Beer
- Buffalo Grove Then and Now
- Murder on the Meadow
- Save Your Receipts
- Saving Your History - On a Budget
- What's in Style? 1890

Museum Educational Programs

The Raupp Museum is proud to offer several exciting educational programs for school groups, homeschool associations, and community groups. Programs are available Monday through Friday during school hours and can be done at the Museum or on-site as a classroom presentation. Programs cost \$50 per presentation, and there is an additional charge for offsite and out-of-district programs.

Please call us at 847.850.2135, or send an email to museum@bgparks.org to schedule a program.

Potawatomi Pathways

Grade: Preschool - 5

This program emphasizes the connection between history and the environment. Students view reproduction Potawatomi artifacts while learning about Native American houses, food, and clothing. Additional options include a memory game, folktale, or trading post activity.

A Student's Life

Grade: 1 - 2

This presentation uses images and artifacts to show students what life was like 100 years ago. They explore one day in the life of a child - home, school, shopping, and having fun.

Tiny Traders

Grade: 1 - 2

Shop like the farmers did 125 years ago! First, students earn money from the dairy cow, gather eggs, and make a shopping list. Next, they shop in the General Store using their money and eggs to buy and barter for the things on their shopping list. This program teaches the difference between needs and wants and the link between work and money.

Buffalo Grove Then & Now

Grade: 1 - 5

Learn how Buffalo Grove has changed during the past 100 years. First, students look at a series of artifacts to see how one object changes over time. Then, a slide-show contrasts pictures of past Buffalo Grove buildings with buildings that currently stand in those locations.

Measurement

Grade: 2 - 3

History + Math! How did farmers organize the space in their barn to make the most money? This program combines history and math as students practice area and perimeter and choose sides in the battle of cows versus chickens.

Adaptation

Grade: 3 - 4

How do animals and plants survive and thrive? They adapt. This program will teach students about the different ways that plants and animals adapt to their environments and the changing seasons.

Packing for Pioneer Life

Grade: 3 - 5

Experience westward expansion into Illinois in the 1830s. Students start by brainstorming what pioneers needed to settle Buffalo Grove. Next, the museum educator opens a pioneer trunk filled with reproduction artifacts, demonstrating the use of each item and the need it filled. Finally, students make their own choices in a hands-on wagon-packing activity.

Invention vs Innovation

Grade: 3 - 5

Students learn about the power of invention by looking at 2 classic history-making examples from the Museum's collection - cameras and telephones. They will then learn about innovation as they explore how both of these inventions changed over time and eventually merged into today's smartphones.

What Makes a Good Exhibit?

Grade: 3 - 5

Tired of looking at rainbow font? This program introduces students to the design behind good exhibits and signs. Using hands-on examples, they will discover that the way information is arranged visually is key to helping the reader understand their message.

Early Chicago

Grade: 3 - 5

Learn about the early history of Chicago - how it developed, why it grew, and the different ways in which Chicago and the suburbs are connected.

Archaeology

Grade: 4 - 8

This exciting program introduces students to the history, science, and practice of archaeology! After viewing a presentation about archaeology principles and techniques, students put their knowledge to work by participating in a mock dig and analyzing the artifacts they uncover.

WWII

Grade: 5 - 8

From aircraft carriers on Lake Michigan to food rationing at home, WWII had an effect on everyone. Students will learn what life was like locally during this time period and the role kids played in the war effort.

Our programs meet the new
Illinois social science standards.



 **Takes place outdoors**

Scout Programs

The Raupp Museum offers badge programs for all levels and ages of scouts. The programs can be scheduled at your troop's normal meeting time, and the fee is \$5 per scout. For more information, scan the QR code below, visit the Scout Programs page of our website at bgparks.org, or call the Museum at 847.850.2135.

Daisy Girl Scouts

Sunflower Petal
Money Explorer
Shapes in Nature**

Brownie Girl Scouts

Bugs
Celebrating Community
Inventor
Laura Ingalls Wilder
Shapes in Nature**
My Family Story
Outdoor Art Creator

Junior Girl Scouts

Detective
Laura Ingalls Wilder
Shapes in Nature**
Gardener Badge

Cadette Girl Scouts

Book Arts

Tiger Cubs

Tigers in the Wild
Stories in Shapes

Wolf Cub Scouts

Paws on the Path

Bear Cub Scouts

Marble Madness
CSI 1899 Forensic Science Program

Webelos - Arrow of Light

Into the Woods

Scouts - Merit Badge

Archaeology
Indian Lore

***These programs have the same theme, but the content varies according to the age of the scouts. Each program is different and will earn a different badge each year.*

Volunteer Planting Help

Is your scout group looking for volunteer projects? Do they like to get their hands dirty? In May, the Raupp Museum will be looking for volunteer scouts to help plant the green wall at the Nature Classroom. This can be part of earning your Gardener Badge, or it can just be a fun activity that everyone does together. For more information or to schedule a volunteer time, contact 847.850.2135 or museum@bgparks.org.



For details on all of the Scout programs offered, visit the Scout Programs page of our website at bgparks.org/programs/scout.

Performing Arts



Upcoming Performances

Chicago: Teen Edition

Teen Musical



Big Deal Productions is delighted to present Chicago: Teen Edition for the 2026 Winter

Teen Musical. Kander and Ebb's legendary musical about fame, fortune, and acquittal in the Roaring 20s comes to life. This production has been specifically adapted to be content-appropriate for young performers and audience members of all ages. Featuring much of the beloved music from the Broadway show and Academy Award-winning film, including All That Jazz, and Razzle Dazzle, this is a must-see show for the whole family!

Performances will be held on March 6 and 13 at 7 pm, and March 7, 8, and 14 at 3 pm at the Community Arts Center. Tickets will be available for purchase at bigdealproductions.org starting on February 5. All tickets are \$15. For more information, contact Lindsay Grandt at lindsay@bgparks.org or 847.850.2132.

The Lion King, KIDS

Children's Musical



Big Deal Productions is thrilled to present The Lion King, KIDS for the spring 2026 Children's Musical Theater production. Disney's The Lion

King has captivated the imagination of audiences around the world, and now you have the opportunity to witness this one-of-a-kind musical right here in our community in a production that has been adapted for young performers and audiences of all ages. Join us in the African savanna with Simba, Rafiki, and an unforgettable cast of characters as they journey from Pride Rock to the jungle and back again in this inspiring, coming-of-age tale.

Featuring classic songs from the Broadway musical and animated feature film, including I Just Can't Wait to Be King, Can You Feel the Love Tonight, and Hakuna Matata, this production will be a hit with the whole family! Celebrate the Circle of Life in this timeless story of courage, friendship, and destiny.

Performances will be held on April 24 at 7 pm, April 25 at 11 am and 3 pm, and April 26 at 3 pm at the Community Arts Center. Tickets will be available for purchase at bigdealproductions.org starting on March 19. All tickets are \$13. For more information, contact Lindsay Grandt at lindsay@bgparks.org or 847.850.2132.

Broadway Buddies Accessible Theater

Songs & Scenes from Mamma Mia

Directed by Elise Hackl-Blumstein

May 16 at 7 pm

Big Deal Productions, in collaboration with Northwest Special Recreation Association, is excited to present this year's Broadway Buddies Accessible Theater show, Songs and Scenes from Mamma Mia. This show will be loved by audiences of all ages. Join us for an after party, and get the autographs from our actors, enjoy some snacks, and celebrate our amazing Big Deal performers.

The performance is scheduled for Saturday May 16 at 7 pm at the Community Arts Center. All tickets are \$14 in advance or \$16 at the door. Tickets will be on sale at bigdealproductions.org starting on April 4. For more information, contact Ann Marie Shipstad-Schwartz at 847.850.2152 or annmarie@bgparks.org.

Upcoming Auditions

BG Singers

Be a part of Buffalo Grove's choral heart and soul! The BG Singers will celebrate their 31st anniversary concert in the fall of 2026 and are looking to fill vacancies for certain voice parts. Auditions will be held in March at the Community Arts Center, and are scheduled by appointment only. To schedule your audition, email the Director, Linda Rosen, at lrosen@bgparks.org. If accepted into the group, the participation fee is \$200, which includes a full set of choral music and 22 weeks of top-notch choral instruction. Rehearsals for the chorus start in April and are held on Tuesday evenings and occasional Saturday afternoons. Chorus members are responsible for the cost of securing all necessary costume items. The season will culminate with the annual concert in September. If you are interested in joining this entertaining and exciting choral group, contact Lindsay Grandt at lindsay@bgparks.org or 847.850.2132.

Summer Musical

Big Deal Productions is pleased to announce auditions for our 2026 Summer Musical presentation of Anastasia: The Musical. Auditions are open to all adult and teen performers, as well as children ages 10 and up. Auditions will be held on Tuesday, May 12 and Wednesday, May 13 from 6 - 9:30 pm at the Community Arts Center. Callbacks will be held on Saturday, May 16 in the afternoon.

Auditions for this production can be reserved online at bigdealproductions.org starting on April 1. Please note: Spaces are limited and filled on a first-come, first served basis. Please prepare a musical theater song and bring sheet music (in the key you will sing it) for your song selection. Please dress comfortably and wear appropriate footwear for a dance audition.

If accepted into the production, a participation fee of \$25 will be assessed for all cast members. Rehearsals for this production will be held on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings from 6:30 - 9:15 pm, and Saturdays from 10 am - 2 pm. Cast members will be responsible for securing appropriate footwear/tights/undergarments and stage make-up for the show. Performances are scheduled for the weekends of July 17 - 19 and 24 - 26. For more information, contact Lindsay Grandt at lindsay@bgparks.org or 847.850.2132.

Acting & Music Classes

Showbiz Kids

This fun class offers a unique opportunity for our very young performers to explore the world of theater through singing, dancing, and acting. Focusing on play-based learning, our experienced instructors will provide a nurturing and supportive environment where children can develop their creativity, confidence, and self-expression. Participants will learn songs, dances, and practice speaking lines. The session will culminate with a short showcase performance for family and friends on the last day of class. For more information, contact Ann Marie Shipstad-Schwartz at 847.850.2152 or annmarie@bgparks.org.

Age: 3 - 4 years

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Wed	Apr 1 - May 20	4 - 4:45 pm	\$96/\$120

Instructor: Staff

Location: Community Arts Center

Center Stage Stars

In this exciting theater class, students will work on acting, singing, dancing, basic stage directions, and theater terms. Our young actors will have lines to memorize and participate in 2 group numbers in our showcase that will take place for friends and family the last week of class. This is your child's chance to build self-confidence, make new friends, and be a shining star on the stage! For more information, contact Ann Marie Shipstad-Schwartz at 847.850.2152 or annmarie@bgparks.org.

Age: 5 - 6 years

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Wed	Apr 1 - May 20	5 - 5:45 pm	\$96/\$120

Instructor: Staff

Location: Community Arts Center

Acting, Improv & Musical Theater

This class is designed for children with all levels of theater experience and will focus on the 3 main areas that help a young performer gain confidence and experience on stage: acting, improv, and musical theater. Actors will learn theatrical terms that will help them to grow as a performer in a fun and supportive atmosphere. The class focus will be on improv exercises, scene work, and performing in a musical number with singing and dancing. Participants will present a showcase during the last week of class for friends and family. For more information, contact Ann Marie Shipstad-Schwartz at 847.850.2152 or annmarie@bgparks.org.

Age: 7 - 11 years

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Wed	Apr 1 - May 20	6 - 6:45 pm	\$96/\$120

Instructor: Staff

Location: Community Arts Center

Scene Study

This class is for the student who would like to take their interest of theatre to the next level. Participants will work on scenes, discuss character development, and explore different acting techniques through improvisational games and exercises. We will also review selecting songs and monologues for auditions. An informal showcase will take place the last week of class. For more information, contact Ann Marie Shipstad-Schwartz at 847.850.2152 or annmarie@bgparks.org.

Age: 10 - 13 years

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Wed	Apr 1 - May 20	4:30 - 5:15 pm	\$96/\$120

Instructor: Staff

Location: Community Arts Center

Skyline's Broadway Juniors: Performance Based Theater

Skyline's Broadway Juniors is an encouraging introductory musical theater experience designed for our youngest actors. It's a great option for families wanting a 1-day-a-week rehearsal/performance-based theater experience. Guided by a professional teaching artist, participants will receive a named role, participate in every scene and song, and gain the courage to perform in front of a live audience. Juniors actors enhance their reading skills as they memorize and recite their lines while bringing their characters to life. Families will receive detailed instructions on how to assemble an original costume, adding the perfect finishing touch to the show. For more information, contact Ann Marie Shipstad-Schwartz at 847.850.2152 or annmarie@bgparks.org.

Grade: K - 2

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Mon	Mar 30 - May 18	4 - 5 pm	\$248/\$310

Instructor: Staff

Location: Community Arts Center

Skyline's Broadway Stars: Performance Based Theater

This no-cut program is a great option for families wanting a 1-day-a-week rehearsal/performance-based theater experience. Guided by a professional teaching artist, Stars level up by singing solos, developing character, and learning fundamental musical theater choreography. Every actor who participates is assigned a named role and receives a script and rehearsal materials. Families will receive detailed instructions on how to assemble an original costume, adding the perfect finishing touch to the show. The stage is set, and the spotlight awaits. For more information, contact Ann Marie Shipstad-Schwartz at 847.850.2152 or annmarie@bgparks.org.

Grade: 2 - 6

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Mon	Mar 30 - May 18	5:15 - 7:15 pm	\$292/\$365

Instructor: Staff

Location: Community Arts Center

Acting & Music Classes

Big Deal Acting Troupe

This immersive experience for aspiring actors focuses on the art of performance through intensive work on monologues, scene study, and musical numbers. Invited participants will refine their acting skills, build confidence, and enhance their creativity in a collaborative environment, guided by experienced instructors. This unique program not only fosters individual growth, but also cultivates teamwork and stage presence - essential qualities for any successful actor. A showcase will take place for family and friends each session. For more information, contact Ann Marie Shipstad-Schwartz at 847.850.2152 or annmarie@bgparks.org.

Age	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
10 - 13 yrs	Thu	Apr 2 - May 21	6 - 7 pm	\$120/\$150
14 - 18 yrs	Thu	Apr 2 - May 21	7 - 8:30 pm	\$132/\$164

Instructor: Staff

Location: Community Arts Center

Broadway Buddies Accessible Theater Show

Big Deal Productions and NWSRA are pleased to be together again this year. In our accessible program, our community of actors, onstage support, and production team will work together to gain confidence, learn ensemble skills, and integrate acting techniques, as we begin to work together to perform onstage in May. Additional classes and rehearsals will be held May 11 - 15 in the evening from 5 - 7 pm. The spring show will be on Saturday, May 16 at 2 pm. Actors sign up seasonally for this program. If you are looking to be involved in an onstage support role, or work with us backstage, we invite you to apply to be a part of our new volunteer program. For more information, contact Ann Marie Shipstad-Schwartz at 847.850.2152 or annmarie@bgparks.org.

Age: 11 years and up

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Tue	Mar 31 - May 12	4:30 - 5:30 pm	\$152/\$190

Instructor: Staff

Location: Community Arts Center

Private Instruction

Piano Lessons

The Buffalo Grove Park District offers piano lessons under the direction of Mrs. Nanci Karlin at the Community Arts Center. Children in 1st grade and up and adults with all levels of experience are welcome, and no prior instruction is required. Students will need to own a piano or keyboard to practice at home between lessons and purchase their own instruction books and music prior to their first lesson. For information on pricing and availability, contact Lindsay Grandt at 847.850.2132 or lindsay@bgparks.org.

Touring Ensembles

BG Singers Encore

BG Singers Encore is a group of talented men and women who travel the Chicagoland area entertaining at corporate parties, benefits, libraries, festivals, and retirement homes. They have performed at such events as the Arlington Million and Long Grove's Strawberry Festival, and have sung the National Anthem at both Wrigley Field and the former U.S. Cellular Field. The group delights audiences with shows that feature their high-energy and enthusiastic vocal performances. Especially popular is their Holiday Show that they offer during the months of November and December. Encore! is proud that they were the champion in "Sing 2011," a national competition for singing ensembles. For information on how to book this talented group for your next function, go to bgencore.org or call Bruce Bohrer at 847.394.2797.



The Buffalo Grove Environmental Action Team is a group of environmentally conscious local citizens eager to improve the community's natural environment and encourage sound and sustainable practices. As part of our goal to encourage people to reuse and recycle, we would like to inform residents that a SWALCO collection bin was installed at the southeast corner of the parking lot at Emmerich Park. Please use this bin for new and gently used clothing and textile donations in addition to torn or worn materials. Sorry, but shoes, pillows, cushions, and rugs cannot be accepted. By recycling you are doing a great thing for the local community as well as the planet by keeping hundreds of thousands of pounds of materials from our landfills. Other benefits include conserving energy and water, decreasing pollution, and reducing our carbon footprint.

Come join the team - you can make a difference! Visit our website page at bgeat.org, or call Jeff Weiss at 847.224.0965.

Dance

STUDIO 83 DANCE ACADEMY at the Buffalo Grove Park District



Good to Know

We offer a continuing program from winter into the spring to prepare our students for their recital. New classes in many styles will begin forming in the summer and fall. Please visit our website at studio83.org for more information.



Annual Spring Plant Sale

It's not too soon to begin to plan your summer garden! The Buffalo Grove Garden Club's Annual Spring Plant Sale will take place at the Alcott Center on Saturday, May 9 from 11 am - 1 pm. We offer a wide range of hanging baskets and plants in 4½ inch pots. All items must be pre-ordered no later than March 31. For more information and order forms, visit our page on the Park District website at bggardenclub.org.



Adult Programs

How to Create an Online Account

You can register for our virtual and in-person classes in the comfort of your own home. If you are not sure on how to register for programs online, Debbie Mills, registration specialist for the Buffalo Grove Park District, will walk you through each step. Within a few minutes, you will know everything you need to register quickly and easily. Email Debbie Mills at dmills@bgparks.org, and she will contact you to set up an appointment.

CJE SeniorLife

FREE

Are you confused by Medicare Part D? Do you need to know if you qualify for other assistance? CJE has the answers. CJE SeniorLife's resource specialists provide older adults with free information, assistance, and advocacy in the areas of benefits eligibility check-up, Social Security, health insurance, Medicare, Medicare Part D and Medicaid. Learn about Medigap Insurance, prescription drug programs, and even learn how your employee benefits compare with Medicare. A representative of CJE SeniorLife will be available to answer your questions and assist you in filing for these programs. For more information, or to schedule an appointment, call 773.508.1000.

Public Safety Breakfast Club

Wednesday, March 4, April 1, and May 6

10:15 - 11 am

Alcott Center

FREE



Join representatives from the Buffalo Grove Police and Fire Departments at the Alcott Center. Various safety topics will be discussed. Have all of your concerns answered, learn what's going on in your neighborhood, and more. Bagels and cream cheese will be served, courtesy of Original Bagel and Bialy in Buffalo Grove. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

Musical Monday

Monday, March 9, April 13 and May 11

1 - 2 pm

Alcott Center

FREE

Join us this spring for Monday afternoon musical fun. Our spring lineup begins in March with Jeff Dewbray. Jeff will bring us the Beatles, Elvis, Neil Diamond, just to name a few. In April, we will enjoy Edizon Dayao who plays the keyboard and saxophone. He loves to entertain us with any request we may have. To end our spring line up, in May is Marianne Sullivan. Marianne sings, plays acoustic guitar, electric guitar, and has a library of fun. Get your hands clapping and your feet stomping, and see how music brings happiness to all. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

Color Time

Monday, March 9, April 13, and May 11

2:15 - 3 pm

Alcott Center

FREE

Let's get together to relax and rewind. Coloring books are no longer just for the young, but for the young at heart. In fact, adult coloring books are the hottest rage right now. Researchers at John Hopkins University suggest coloring as an alternative to meditation. Coloring has therapeutic potential to reduce anxiety, create focus, or bring about more mindfulness. Like meditation, coloring allows the brain to switch off other thoughts and focus. Coloring supplies will be provided. Come to Musical Mondays and stay for Color Time. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

Brain Games

Monday, March 9, April 13, and May 11

2:15 - 3 pm

Alcott Center

FREE

Keep your brain active! Just as physical exercise is good for your body, brain exercise is good for your mind. Research shows that engaging in memory and brain games may keep you fresher and sharper for a longer period of time. Join us for activities like trivia, and word and memory games. Let's challenge our minds! You can come to Musical Mondays and then stay for Brain Games. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

Grand Victoria Casino

Join us as we head to the Grand Victoria Casino in Elgin. Enjoy the thrill of the casino excitement paired with exceptional river views. Try your hand at their classic table games, or take a spin on the latest and greatest slots. Lunch is not included, but the casino offers something for every taste and mood at one of their restaurants. You must bring a valid picture I.D. or Driver's License. For more information contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

Age: 21 years and up

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Tue	Mar 10	9:30 am - 3 pm	\$16/\$20

Location: Alcott Center

Coffee with The Curators


Monday, March 16

1:30 - 2:30 pm

Raupp Museum

FREE

Join the staff of the Raupp Museum for a special guided tour and history program. Our group will be guided by the museum curators, and we will even get a special look behind the scenes at how the museum cares for its collection of artifacts. There will be a presentation of the Buffalo Grove Then and Now program to show how the town has changed over the years. We will finish up with coffee and cookies for St. Patrick's Day. We will meet at the Museum, which is located at 901 Dunham Lane in Buffalo Grove. For more information contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

 Indicates there is a senior discount available.

Mah Jongg Tournament

Join us for our Mah Jongg Tournament. A chicken parmesan and pasta meal will be served before the tournament begins. Please bring your own card, tablecloth, and Mah Jongg set. You must make sure your whole group signs up at the same time. Tables of 5 are welcome. A complete list of all players playing at your table must be turned in to the front office at the time of registration. You may bring a small snack tray table. For more information contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

Age: 18 years and up

Day	Date	Time	Fee
Thu	Mar 19	11:30 am - 3 pm	\$27

Location: Alcott Center

Memory Café

Thursday, March 26, April 23, and May 28

2 - 3 pm

Alcott Center

FREE

This monthly program offers individuals with memory loss and their caregiver an opportunity for connection and conversation. This program is free and open to all. Registration is required at calendar.vapld.info, by phone at 224.543.1485, or in person at any public service desk at the Vernon Area Library. Sponsored by Belmont Village, Sedgebrook Senior Living, Buffalo Grove Park District, Buffalo Grove Police Department, Indian Trails Public Library, Sunrise Assisted Living, and Vernon Area Public Library. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

Fanny Mendelssohn: A Trailblazing Composer in the Shadow of Society

Tuesday, March 31

1 - 2 pm

Virtual

FREE

Fanny Mendelssohn was a brilliant pianist and composer whose talents were often eclipsed by the constraints of 19th century society. While her brother Felix achieved fame, Fanny's extraordinary work remained in the shadows. German historian Anette Isaacs brings her remarkable story to life, uncovering her struggles for recognition, her groundbreaking achievements, and the rich cultural and Jewish heritage that shaped the Mendelssohn family's musical legacy. Registration opens February 2 on Community Days - JCC Chicago. For more information and to register, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org. Cosponsored with JCC and CJE.

Learn to Play Mah Jongg

Join us for a fun and engaging Mah Jongg class, where you'll learn the rules, strategies, and techniques of this classic tile game. Whether you're a beginner or looking to brush up on your skills, this program offers a welcoming space to enjoy Mah Jongg with others. Participants are required to bring a Mah Jongg card, which can be purchased from the National Mah Jongg League store. Our instructor will guide you through the game's nuances, ensuring a great time while learning this timeless game. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

Age: 18 years and up

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Fri	Apr 3 - May 1	10 am - 12 pm	\$60/\$75
Fri	May 8 - May 29	10 am - 12 pm	\$60/\$75

Location: Alcott Center

AARP Smart Driver Course

April 7 and 9

12 - 4 pm


Alcott Center

AARP Member \$20/Nonmember \$25

The AARP Smart Driver Course consists of two, 4-hour days, and is geared as a refresher for motorists age 50 and older, however any licensed driver may attend. The class covers much of the information needed to pass the Illinois State license exam. It also reviews the eyesight, hearing, and physical changes that drivers experience as they age. Also included are safer driving habits, how to avoid driving hazards, changes in roadway conditions, and safety equipment on your automobile. There is also a discussion on when to consider driver retirement. This is a new and updated curriculum being taught, with up to date audio and visual materials. Completion of the 2-day class may entitle the participant to a discount on their auto insurance. Please check with your insurance carrier for further details. If a member, please bring your AARP card to class. You must register in person. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.



15% Discount

In-district residents aged 62 and over are entitled to a 15% discount on recreation opportunities through the Park District, except contractual programs and trips. This symbol  indicates programs that are eligible for the 15% discounted fee. This will help you identify the programs that will entitle you to an additional discount. This applies to programs in Adult Programs and Fitness and Wellness; eligible programs in Club 50 sections have already been discounted.

Salvador Dalí: Jewish-Themed Works & His Pro-Fascist History 

Tuesday, April 7

1 - 2 pm

Virtual

FREE

Join art historian Carol Salus for an exploration of Dalí's radiant Jewish-themed works alongside his troubling ties to fascism. From his exile by the Surrealists to his later commissions for Israel's 20th anniversary, this talk asks: can we separate the man from the art? Registration opens March 2 on Community Days - JCC Chicago. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org. Cosponsored with JCC and CJE.

Golf Day 

Tuesday, April 14

1 - 2 pm

Golf Dome

Free to anyone 50 years and older

The Golf Dome will be open for everyone to come and have some fun. If you need some practice hitting balls or have never tried to golf, now is the perfect time to attend our open house. Refreshments will be served along with raffle prizes. The Golf Dome is located at 801 McHenry Road in Buffalo Grove. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

Senior Expo

Tuesday, April 21

10 am - 1 pm

Community Arts Center

Free to all seniors and their families

This event, coordinated by the Buffalo Grove Park District and the Village of Buffalo Grove, provides a dynamic one-stop shop for seniors to interact with vendors and service providers, enabling them to become familiar with the wide range of services available to them. There will also be raffle prizes. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

Brunch is the Best 

Wednesday, April 29

10:30 - 11:30 am

Alcott Center

FREE

Original Bagel and Bialy will show you how it is the easiest meal to bring your family or friends together. Brunch is a versatile meal to provide from just doing cold food to adding an awesome hot side dish. Whether you are having 2 people or 20 people, they will demonstrate how you can put together a beautiful and savory spread. Options will be addressed to make it fancy and high end, more low key and budget friendly, creative, and fun to put together, or just put it on the counter and be done. Hear about lox, bagels, and cream cheese to a souffle or quiche. You will have some great snacks as always, so come hungry. For more information contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

Tour of the Buffalo Grove Police Department 

Thursday, April 30

10 - 11 am

Buffalo Grove Police Department

FREE

This special tour is designed to show us how our police department works to keep the community safe. During this guided tour, participants will get a behind-the-scenes look at various areas of the department. We will learn their daily duties, as well as have our questions answered. This is a wonderful opportunity to engage with local law enforcement in a relaxed and friendly setting. Come learn more about the dedicated individuals who serve and protect, and enjoy a meaningful, educational outing with friends. We will meet in the lobby at the Buffalo Grove Police Station, located at 46 Raupp Boulevard in Buffalo Grove. For more information contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

Drawing & Painting 

Discover the joys and magic of painting in oils and acrylics. Beginning, intermediate, and advanced students will be given individual attention as they are taught how to develop and improve their drawing and painting skills, while choosing their own subject matter. Beginners will be given supplies for the first class. Thereafter, participants will be required to purchase minimal supplies as needed. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

Age: 18 years and up

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Tue	Apr 21 - June 2	10 am - 12 pm	\$80/\$100
Tue	Apr 21 - June 2	1 - 3 pm	\$80/\$100
Wed	Apr 22 - June 3	10 am - 12 pm	\$80/\$100
Wed	Apr 22 - June 3	1 - 3 pm	\$80/\$100

Instructor: Silverman

Location: Alcott Center

Night Drawing & Painting

Have you ever wanted to explore a variety of artistic mediums but weren't sure where to begin? This class is the perfect place to start. Participants will be introduced to the fundamentals of charcoal, pencil, oil pastel, and watercolor through guided, hands-on lessons. Each session also includes dedicated time to develop personal projects at your own pace. All materials needed for the introductory lessons will be provided. After the initial exploration, participants will purchase their own supplies to further pursue the medium that inspires them most, with ongoing guidance and support throughout the process. Discover new techniques, build confidence, and find the medium that speaks to you. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

Age: 18 years and up

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Tue	Apr 21 - June 2	6:30 - 8:30 pm	\$80/\$100
Thu	Apr 23 - June 4	6:30 - 8:30 pm	\$80/\$100

Instructor: Hull

Location: Alcott Center

Open Art Studio

Join fellow artists in a creative, supportive environment where you can explore a variety of mediums, including oil, acrylic, pastel, and scratchboard. We will focus on essential technique, such as blending, value, and color mixing to help strengthen your skills. Whether you're an experienced artist or just beginning your creative journey, this program offers a welcoming space to develop your work, receive constructive feedback, and connect with others who share your passion for art. Bring your own materials and enjoy the freedom to create, experiment, and express yourself. **Please note:** There is also a \$15 per session drop-in fee available. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

Age: 18 years and up

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Thu	Mar 5 - Apr 16	10 am - 12 pm	\$80/\$100
Thu	Apr 23 - June 4	10 am - 12 pm	\$80/\$100

Instructor: Handwerker

Location: Alcott Center

Culver's Lunch & Bingo

While their ButterBurger made them famous, their diverse menu doesn't stop there. Join us for fun at Culver's, located at 450 N. McHenry Road in Buffalo Grove. Enjoy a kids' meal lunch of your choice as you play Bingo. Prizes will be coupons from Culver's. This is sure to be a day that will fill your stomach and have everyone shouting Bingo! For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

Age: 18 years and up

Day	Date	Time	Fee
Mon	May 18	10:30 am - 12 pm	\$7

Location: Culver's of Buffalo Grove

Mary Anning - History's Greatest Fossilist

Tuesday, May 19

1 - 2 pm

Virtual

FREE

Join Claire Evans for a lively talk on Mary Anning, the self-taught fossil hunter of England's Jurassic Coast whose discoveries transformed science, but went unrecognized in her lifetime. Learn how her unmatched eye uncovered creatures embedded in 185 million years of geological history along the UNESCO World Heritage cliffs of Lyme Regis. Registration opens April 6 on Community Days - JCC Chicago. For more information and to register, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org. Cosponsored with JCC and CJE.



ORDINANCE 05-7-1

Have you ever had to walk through a cloud of smoke?
Has your little one ever picked up a cigarette butt while playing?

ENJOY THE FRESH AIR!

Smoking (including e-cigarettes) is not permitted anywhere on Buffalo Grove Park District property. This includes all parks, athletic fields, spectator viewing areas and parking lots.

- » No secondhand smoke.
- » No cigarette litter means cleaner parks.
- » A safer environment for everyone.

Club 50

Buffalo Grove Park District Club 50

Wondering what there is to do for fun?

Want a place to socialize with active, exciting people your own age? Become a part of the Buffalo Grove Park District's Club 50. This is a program for adults age 50 and over. Lectures, services, refreshments, and planned activities are all part of the excitement that awaits you. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

Age: 50 years and older

Date: May 1, 2026 - April 30, 2027

ID/OD Fee: \$24/\$30

All current memberships will expire April 30.

Birthday Celebrations

Wednesday, March 4, April 1, and May 6

1:30 pm

Free to all members

Enjoy monthly complimentary birthday cookies at 1:30 pm at the Alcott Center.

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Benefits of Becoming a Member of Our Club 50 Programs

This membership entitles you to discounted member rates for many of our trips and programs and enables you to participate in our many free lectures, lunches, parties, and drop-in programs. Be the first to find out what there is to do and avoid being placed on waitlists. Membership is not required to enroll in classes or to make use of services that are offered. In-district/out-of-district fees will apply.

Weekly Activities at the Alcott Center - For Members Only

New players are welcome, please stop by and join the fun.

Club Room

An unstructured space to meet friends and hang out. The room features board games, puzzles, putting mat, and some drop-in activities.

Canasta

Monday at 11 am
(For experienced players)
Friday at 11 am

Open Play

Tuesday at 11 am

Scrabble

Tuesday at 11 am

Bunco

Tuesday at 12 pm

Bingo

Wednesday at 12 pm

Mah Jongg

Thursday at 11 am

Mexican Train Dominoes

Thursday at 12 pm

Crafty Ladies

Friday at 9 am

Texas Hold 'em

(For experienced players)

Friday at 10 am

Poker

Friday at 12 pm



March Melodies Party

Lisa Marie will entertain with all of our favorite melodies, including Doris Day, Carole King, and The Mamas and Papas as she sings and plays guitar. Her magnetic personality and fun demeanor are sure to bring lots of fun to our party. Lunch will be served after we are entertained with our March Melodies. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

Age: 50 years and up

Day	Date	Time	M/NM Fee
Wed	Mar 11	11 am - 12:30 pm	\$8/\$10

Location: Alcott Center

The Lunch Bunch

Join a bunch of us for lunch! Lunch will be delivered to the Alcott Center. Why not enjoy lunch before you begin playing Bingo or cards, or just come for some fun? For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

Age: 50 years and up

Meal	Day	Date	Time	Fee
Pot Pie	Wed	Mar 25	11:30am - 12 pm	\$7
Italian Beef	Wed	Apr 15	11:30am - 12 pm	\$7
Pizza and Salad	Wed	May 20	11:30am - 12 pm	\$7

Location: Alcott Center

Earth Day Party

April is Earth Month, a time to celebrate our planet and take action to protect it. Earth Day, which is celebrated annually on April 22, is the largest civic event in the world, with over a billion people participating each year. Get ready to test your knowledge with trivia questions that will inspire you to think about our planet in new ways. Do you know what is the coldest place on Earth? If you answered Antarctica, you are correct. Brush up on the Earth, because prizes will be given. After we have learned many interesting facts, lunch will be served. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

Age: 50 years and up

Day	Date	Time	M/NM Fee
Wed	Apr 22	11 am - 12:30 pm	\$8/\$10

Location: Alcott Center

A Celebration of Spring Party

Let's welcome the beauty of spring with an afternoon full of color, laughter, and blooming joy! As April's showers give way to May's flowers, join us for a lighthearted gathering filled with seasonal fun and heartwarming company. Wear your favorite spring colors or floral prints if you'd like. Let's make it a blooming good time together! We will be doing a special art project before lunch that we will be able to take home. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

Age: 50 years and up

Day	Date	Time	M/NM Fee
Wed	May 13	11 am - 12:30 pm	\$8/\$10

Location: Alcott Center

The Hyman & Miriam Reiner Galleries



The Hyman and Miriam Reiner Galleries are located at the Fitness Center and the Community Arts Center. In support of the Park District's commitment to cultural arts, Commissioner Reiner's family has made a significant financial contribution in honor of their parents, Hyman and Miriam. Their contribution will be used to maintain the art galleries. The public is welcome to view the galleries during operating hours at the Fitness Center and Community Arts Center. Various pieces of artwork are for sale.

Adult Sports

Co-Rec Basketball

Informal pickup games with plenty of court time are a great way to work up a sweat, and work off those office tensions. Please bring both a white and a dark shirt to each session. Register early before the program fills up. Drop-in registration will be capped at 20 players. The drop-in fee is \$6. For more information, contact Jimmy Mix at 847.353.7529 or jmix@bgparks.org.

Age: 18 years and up

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Sun	Mar 8 - May 10	8 - 10 am	\$60/\$75

Location: Prairie School

Pickleball

Pickleball is a paddle sport that combines elements of badminton, tennis, and table tennis. It is played with a hard paddle and a Wiffle ball on a court, with the same dimensions as a doubles badminton court. The net is similar to a tennis net, however it is 2 inches lower. Equipment is provided. For more information about pickleball and its rules, visit usapa.org. **Please note:** You must be registered in order to participate in this program. This is for open play only; no lessons are provided. For more information, contact Jimmy Mix at 847.353.7529 or jmix@bgparks.org.

Age: 18 years and up

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Wed	Mar 18 - May 20	6:30 - 9 pm	\$60/\$75
Thu	Mar 19 - May 21	6:30 - 9 pm	\$60/\$75

Location: Ivy Hall School

Co-Rec Volleyball

For noncompetitive and informal games, our co-rec volleyball is a great way to enjoy this fun sport. Register early for this popular program. **Please note:** You must be registered in order to participate in this program. For more information, contact Jimmy Mix at 847.353.7529 or jmix@bgparks.org.

Age: 18 years and up

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Mon	Mar 9 - May 11	7 - 9 pm	\$60/\$75

Location: Cooper Middle School

Kickball League

Our brand-new Kickball league will have a regular season with playoffs following the week after. All equipment will be provided. Alcohol is available for purchase on-site. For more information, contact Jimmy Mix at 847.353.7529 or jmix@bgparks.org.

Age: 18 years and up

Day	Date	Time	Fee
Wed	Apr 22 - May 13	6:30 - 9 pm	\$65

Location: Golf Dome

Bags League

We're excited to invite you to join this new league that will run for 3 weeks, followed by a tournament. Matches will be scheduled based on the number of registered teams. Bags and boards will be provided. Alcohol is available for purchase on-site. For more information, contact Jimmy Mix at 847.353.7529 or jmix@bgparks.org.

Age: 18 years and up

Day	Date	Time	Fee
Wed	Apr 22 - May 13	6:30 - 9 pm	\$65

Location: Golf Dome

Whiffle Ball League

We're excited to announce the launch of our brand-new Whiffle Ball League this spring! There will be a regular season with playoffs following the week after. Whiffle balls and bats will be provided. Alcohol is available for purchase on-site. For more information, contact Jimmy Mix at 847.353.7529 or jmix@bgparks.org.

Age: 18 years and up

Day	Date	Time	Fee
Thu	Apr 23 - May 14	6:30 - 9 pm	\$65

Location: Golf Dome



Tae Kwon-Do

Tae Kwon-Do is the most widely practiced martial art in the world. This program develops focus, confidence, self-control, discipline, and respect for others. Students work on anti-bullying, how to de-escalate a potential threat, and if needed, how to defend themselves. We strive to create a supportive, fun and very challenging environment for our students. Classes are taught by our staff of certified instructors. Families are encouraged to train together! Beginning students through 1 year of training will be taught fundamental techniques: stances, strikes, kicks, basic self-defense, fundamental exercises, and the first 3 patterns in the ITF TKD system. Intermediate students with 1 - 4 years of training will develop additional skills and higher-level techniques in striking, kicks, patterns, sparring, self-defense, and breaking. Jiu-Jitsu and Hapkido are also into the curriculum at the intermediate level. Advanced students with 4+ years of training will learn the importance of dedication and hard work, while honing and mastering their skills and techniques. Uniforms, test fees, and equipment are charged separately and handled with The Midwest Academy of Tae Kwon-Do. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age: 16 years and up

Level	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Beginner	Mon	Mar 9 - May 25	6 - 6:45 pm	\$140/ \$175
Intermediate	Mon	Mar 9 - May 25	6:45 - 7:30 pm	\$140/ \$175
Advanced	Mon	Mar 9 - May 25	7:30 - 8:30 pm	\$140/ \$175
All Levels	Thu	Mar 12 - May 28	5:30 - 6:55 pm	\$140/ \$175

Instructor: Midwest Academy of Tae Kwon-Do Location: Emmerich Park

Karate

Release tension, develop total body fitness, and build stamina and overall productivity. In addition to self-defense skills, karate increases flexibility, cardiovascular endurance, and muscle tone, while improving core strength. All classes are taught by instructors of the Illinois Shotokan Karate Club, under the direction of John DiPasquale, 4-time national champion. Frontier Park is located at 1933 N. Kennicott Drive in Arlington Heights. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age: 15 years and up

Belt	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Red - Yellow	Wed	Apr 1 - June 3	5 - 5:55 pm	\$164/ \$205
Blue - Purple	Wed	Apr 1 - June 3	6 - 6:55 pm	\$164/ \$205
Brown - Black	Wed	Apr 1 - June 3	7 - 8:30 pm	\$200/ \$250

Instructor: ISKC

Location: Emmerich Park

Belt	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Green - Black	Thu	Apr 2 - June 4	8:40 - 9:55 pm	\$184/ \$230

Instructor: ISKC

Location: Frontier Park

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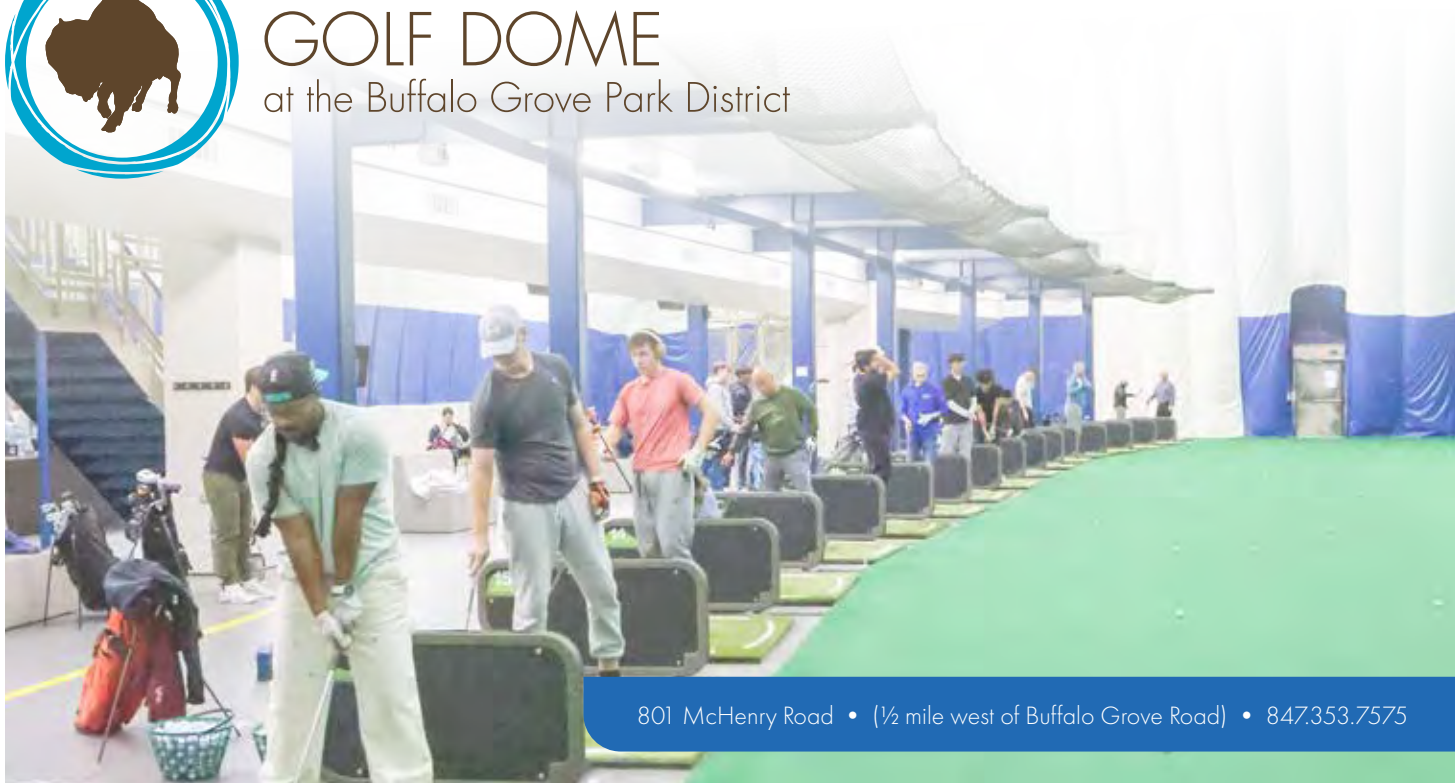


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Whether you're a beginner looking to learn the great game of golf, or just working on keeping your skills sharp during the cold months, the Buffalo Grove Park District Golf Dome is the place to do it. Recognized as one of the top indoor golf learning centers in the nation, we offer a temperature-controlled, realistic practice environment suitable for working on full shots and the short game. Refine your game at our 75-yard indoor driving range and upgraded putting green, or elevate your skills with expert instruction from our golf professionals and group classes.

Hours

Whether you are an early morning, midday, or evening golfer we can accommodate you.

Open through April 11

Monday - Friday	10 am - 8 pm
Saturday & Sunday	9 am - 7 pm

Fees Per ½ Hour (Unlimited Golf Balls)

Weekdays	\$13
Weekends	\$14

There is a \$2 senior discount for golfers 62 years and up Monday - Friday from 10 am - 3 pm only.

For more information, call 847.353.7575.

Season Pass

Only \$700

Purchase a season pass for unlimited golfing all winter! Your driver's license must be present at the time of purchase. There are no age restrictions for pass holders; however, children 12 years and under must be accompanied by an adult at all times. Only the person for whom the pass was purchased may use it. Passes may not be borrowed, shared, or transferred. Season pass holders are limited to 2 hours per visit, and the pass must be present at check-in. Passes automatically expire at the end of the season. Season passes are nonrefundable.

5-Hour Pass

Only \$105

Save some green while you master the green! Purchase a 5-hour pass for only \$105. There are no day or time restrictions, and passes never expire, so they can be used season after season. There are no age restrictions for 5-hour passes; however, children 12 years and under must be accompanied by an adult at all times. All 5-hour passes may be borrowed or shared, as long as the pass is present at check-in. The 5-hour passes are nonrefundable unless they were purchased during the current season and do not have any time used.

Junior Level 1

Our junior golf program is taught by a PGA Professional and is designed to present the fundamentals of the sport, including the physical skills, rules, etiquette, and preparation for the golf course. Juniors will be evaluated at the end of each session on performance in order to continue on to the next level. Golf clubs will be provided if needed. The fee for all classes includes a practice-time punch card for 10 visits of 15 minutes each. For more information, contact Jimmy Mix at 847.353.7529 or jmix@bgparks.org.

Age: 7 - 13 years

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Mon	Mar 23 - Apr 20	5 - 6 pm	\$140/\$175
Mon	May 4 - June 1	5 - 6 pm	\$140/\$175

Instructor: Takamura

Location: Golf Dome

Junior Level 2

This class is taught by a PGA Professional and is designed to continue advancing the student by improving swing mechanics, posture, grip, and alignment. The finer points of the short game (chipping and pitching) will also be explored. Golf clubs will be provided if needed. The fee for all classes includes a practice-time punch card for 10 visits of 15 minutes each. For more information, contact Jimmy Mix at 847.353.7529 or jmix@bgparks.org.

Age: 7 - 13 years

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Mon	Mar 23 - Apr 20	6 - 7 pm	\$140/\$175
Mon	May 4 - June 1	6 - 7 pm	\$140/\$175

Instructor: Takamura

Location: Golf Dome

Adult Level 1

This instructional class is taught by a PGA Professional and is designed to introduce students to grip, posture, alignment, and the fundamentals of the game. All aspects of golf will be covered, including the full swing, short game, and putting. Golf clubs will be provided if needed. The fee for all classes includes a practice-time punch card for 10 visits of 15 minutes each. For more information, contact Jimmy Mix at 847.353.7529 or jmix@bgparks.org.

Age: 13 years and up

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Tue	Mar 24 - Apr 21	5 - 6 pm	\$140/\$175
Tue	May 5 - June 2	5 - 6 pm	\$140/\$175

Instructor: Takamura

Location: Golf Dome

Adult Level 2

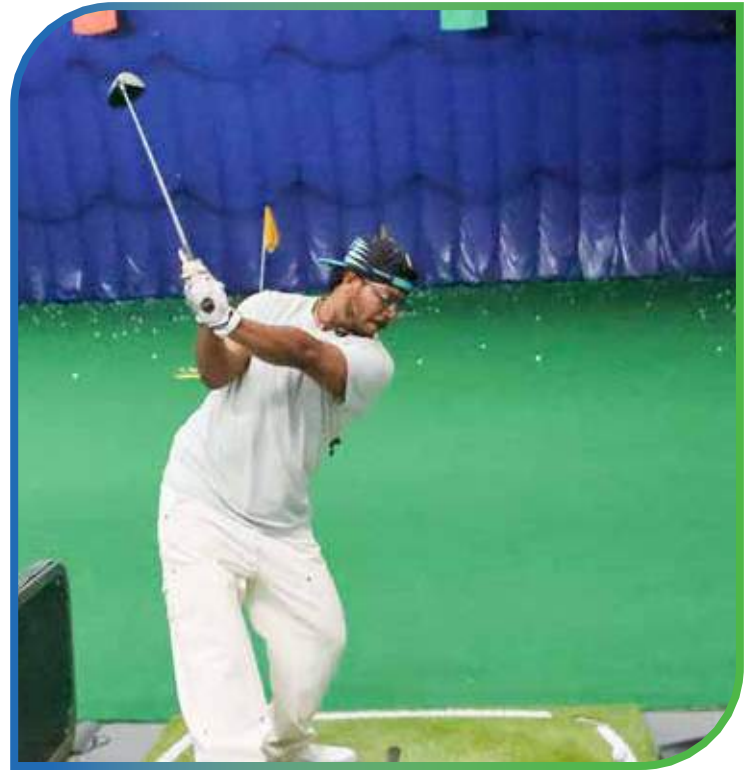
This instructional class is taught by a PGA Professional and is designed for the experienced golfer interested in improving swing mechanics. The fundamentals (grip, posture, and alignment) will be reviewed; the finer points of the short game (chipping and pitching) will be worked on in detail. Golf clubs will be provided if needed. The fee for all classes includes a practice-time punch card for 10 visits of 15 minutes each. For more information, contact Jimmy Mix at 847.353.7529 or jmix@bgparks.org.

Age: 13 years and up

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Tue	Mar 24 - Apr 21	6 - 7 pm	\$140/\$175
Tue	May 5 - June 2	6 - 7 pm	\$140/\$175

Instructor: Takamura

Location: Golf Dome



Do you enjoy walking for exercise but hate braving the elements during the winter months? Get out of the cold! The Golf Dome is open to walkers Monday through Friday mornings from 9 - 10 am through April 11. Thanks to a generous donation by Culver's of Buffalo Grove there is no fee.



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Fitness & Wellness

Zumba

Are you looking for a new workout that is fun and gets you into a good sweat? Do you wish you could really swing your hips to a salsa rhythm? The new Zumba workout rave is worth the time. Classes combine Latin dances like flamenco, salsa, merengue, and cumbia with a fitness regimen that guarantees fun with a workout. Move beyond sweating to the oldies and twist your hips to a spicy Latin beat. Workouts involve total body movement while mostly toning abs, buns, hips, and thighs. Lose weight and learn to dance now! For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org. **No class on March 17 and 24.**

Age: 16 years and up

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Tue	Mar 3 - May 19	7 - 8 pm	\$120/\$150

Instructor: Sotelo

Location: Emmerich Park

Zumba Gold

Zumba Gold takes the popular Latin dance-inspired workout Zumba and makes it accessible for seniors and beginners. It breaks down all Latin rhythms to address the needs of active older adults or the unconditioned beginners. Experience with dance is not required. The intention of the class is to move a little and have a lot of fun, even if you don't perform each move perfectly. Classes combine Latin dances like flamenco, salsa, merengue, and cumbia, with a fitness regimen that guarantees fun with a workout. Move beyond sweating to the oldies and twist your hips to a spicy Latin beat. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org. **No class on March 26.**

Age: 18 years and up

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Thu	Mar 5 - May 21	9 - 9:45 am	\$96/\$120

Instructor: Sotelo

Location: Emmerich Park

Forever Fit S

Have you been talking about getting in shape but have not (for whatever reason) taken that first step? If you need a class to get started on a fitness regimen, we have developed one that is perfect for seniors or people who have never exercised before that will improve your quality of life. This program will combine cardio, flexibility, and balance training, as well as muscle strength to perform daily activities with more vigor. Come join our coed, nonintimidating class. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org.

Age: 18 years and up

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Tue	Mar 3 - Apr 14	10:15 - 11 am	\$56/\$70
Thu	Mar 5 - Apr 16	10:15 - 11 am	\$56/\$70
Tue	Apr 21 - May 26	10:15 - 11 am	\$48/\$60
Thu	Apr 23 - May 28	10:15 - 11 am	\$48/\$60

Instructor: Cohen

Location: Emmerich Park

Hatha Yoga S

Our fall classes return to the basics: breath, mind, and body. Benefits include flexible joints, elongated muscles, creating ease in your body, and increased energy. Hatha yoga is a gentle, meditative approach to yoga. All levels are welcome. Bring a sticky mat, and dress for comfortable movement. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org. **No class on April 5 and May 10.**

Age: 16 years and up

Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
Sun	Mar 22 - May 17	9 - 10:15 am	\$112/\$140

Instructor: Chamberlain

Location: Fitness Center



FITNESS CENTER
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The Fitness Center continuously offers specialty programs in fitness and wellness, regardless of residency. In addition, you do not need to be a member of the Fitness Center to participate in these programs, however if you are currently a member, the program fee is discounted.

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- + Small Group Reformer Training
- + Kickboxing
- + Warm-Water Arthritis
- + Swim for Fitness
- + Youth Fitness
- + Youth Boxing
- + Fencing

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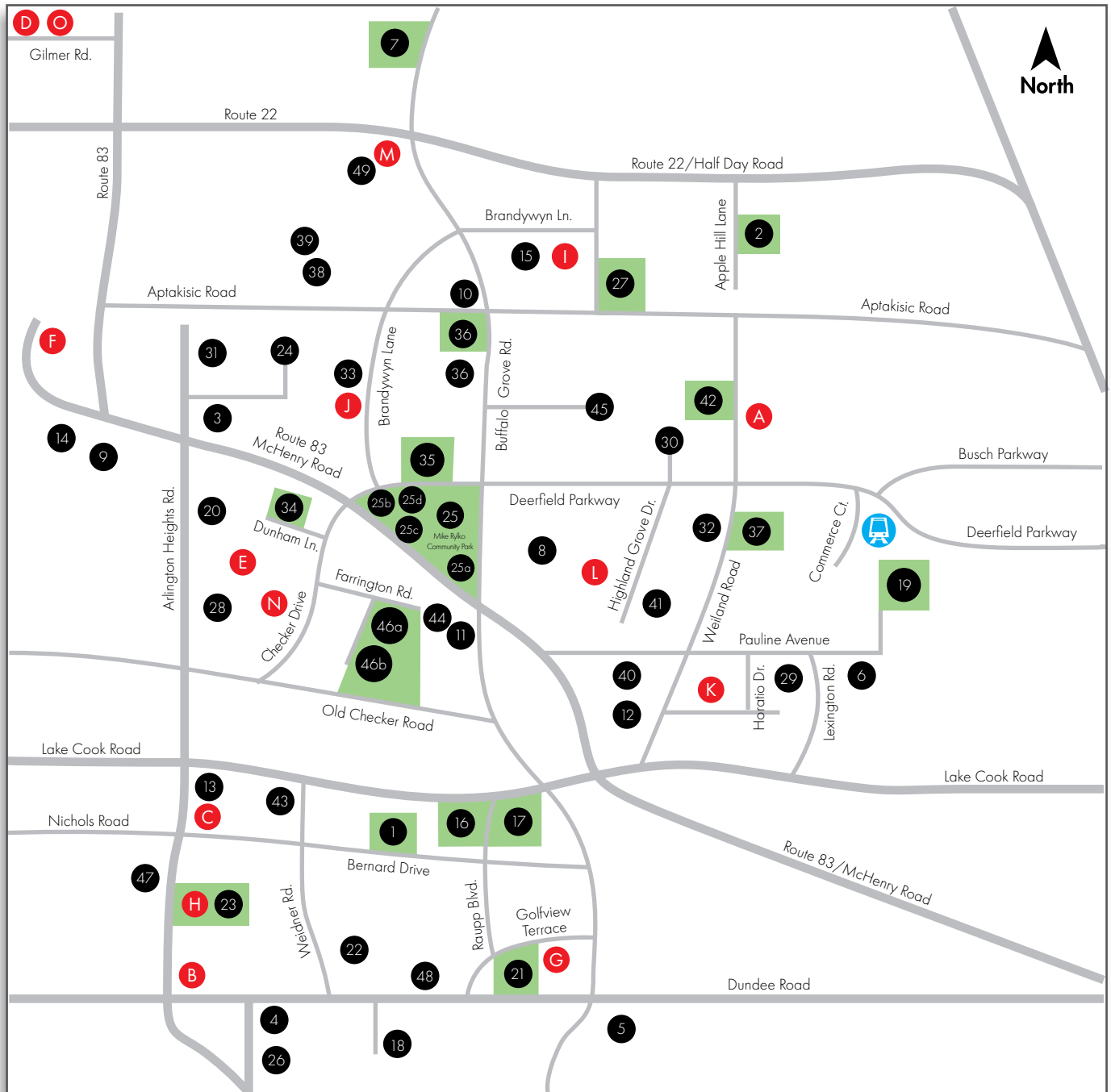
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Parks & Facilities

MAP	PARK NAME	ADDRESS	ACREAGE	Recreation Building	Swimming Pool	Picnic Area	Picnic Shelter	Preschool Play Area	Elementary Play Area	Ball Diamond	Pickleball	Soccer Field	Tennis Courts	Basketball Courts	Bocce	Wildlife Conservation	Bike Path/Walkway	Parking Available	Lake/Pond and Fishing	Natural/Detention Areas	Volleyball	Inline Rink	Disc Golf	Skate Park	AED Facility	Cricket Pitch
1	Alcott Center & Park	530 Bernard Drive	6.8	•	•			♿	♿	•															•	
2	Apple Hill Park	2275 Apple Hill Lane	8.66			•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•							•	•				
3	Bicentennial Park	1301 N. Arlington Heights Road	3.33					•	•			•	•								•	•				
4	Bison Park	905 W. Dundee Road	4.5									•														
5	Cambridge Park	951 S. Buffalo Grove Road	6			•		•																		
6	Candlewood Detention	443 Carman Avenue	.75																							
7	Canterbury Park	560 Blue Ash Drive	2.6						♿	•			•													
8	Cherbourg Park	815 Marseilles Circle	5.6			•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•												•
9	Children's Park	1000 Fremont Way	4.5					•	•			•														•
10	Churchill Park	1900 N. Buffalo Grove Road	21.47							•	•															
11	Commons Park	500 Harris Drive	.25																							
12	Community Arts Center	225 McHenry Road	5.5	•																						•
13	Cooper School & Park	1050 Plum Grove Circle	6							•																
14	Crossings Pond	1051 Fremont Way	10.9											•												
15	Didier Park	2020 Olive Hill Drive	3			•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•												
16	Emmerich Park	150 Raupp Blvd.	13	•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•												•
17	Emmerich East Park	151 Raupp Blvd.	8.75			•		•																		
18	Frenchmen's Cove Park	3351 N. Carriageway Drive, A.H.	4									•														
19	Happy Tails Dog Park	835 Commerce Court	2.5																							
20	Ivy Hall School & Park	1072 Ivy Hall Lane	5					•	•	•	•	•														
21	Kilmer School & Park	655 Golfview Terrace	8			•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•												•
22	Lions Park	730 Weidner Road	5																							
23	Longfellow School & Park	501 S. Arlington Heights Road	3.5						•	•																
24	Martha Weiss Park	815 Kingsbridge Way	.75						•																	
25	Mike Rylko Community Park	1000 N. Buffalo Grove Road	76.5			•	•	•	•	•	*	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
25a	Golf Dome	801 McHenry Road	i	•																						•
25b	Fitness Center	601 Deerfield Parkway	i	•	•									•												•
25c	Spray 'N Play	951 McHenry Road	i																							•
25d	Amphitheater	951 McHenry Road	↓																							
26	Mill Creek Park	1350 Radcliffe Road	7						•	•			•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•						
27	Mirielle Park	2236 Avalon Drive	2.93			•	•	♿	•	•			•													
28	Nicole Park/Site 21	501 N. Arlington Heights Road	4						♿																	
29	Northwood Park/Detention	615 Pauline Avenue	3.29																							
30	Old Farm Park	1300 Highland Grove Drive	10.5						•	•	•	•														
31	Oxford Park	1450 Oxford Drive	1																							
32	Prairie Grove Park	850 Weiland Road	10.2																							
33	Prairie School & Park	1530 Brandywyn Lane	9.5						•		•	•	•	•												
34	Raupp Museum & Park	901 Dunham Lane	3.5	•																						•
35	Reiner Park	1101 N. Green Knolls Drive	20			•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•												•
36	Rick Drazner Park	401 Aptakistic Road	7						♿	*					•									•		•
37	Risinger Park (formerly Parkchester Park)	851 Weiland Road	7.05						•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•						
38	Rolling Hills Park	1850 Twin Oaks Blvd.	.48						•																	
39	Rolling Hills North Park	1951 Sheridan Road	5.6						•		•															
40	Sommerset Detention	153 Pauline Avenue	1																							
41	Tartan Park	650 Pinehurst Lane	2			•	•	♿																		
42	Veterans Park	1300 N. Weiland Road	9.5						•	•	•	•	•	•												
43	Weidner Park	50 Weidner Road	3.5																							
44	Wellington Park	600 Farrington Drive	8									•														
45	Westchester Park	180 Thompson Blvd.	5.5						•																	
46a	Willow Stream Pool & Park	600 Farrington Drive	54	•					•				*											•	•	•
46b	Willow Stream Park (south end)	651 Old Checker Road	↓			•	•	♿			•	•												•	•	•
47	Windfield Park/Detention	550 S. Arlington Heights Road	2.4							•																
48	Windsor Ridge Park	780 Vernon Lane	6.24						•	•	•	•	•	•												
49	Woodland Park	2500 N. Buffalo Grove Road	14			•	•	•	•	*	•	•	*	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•

*Indicates lighted court or field

Park Location Map



Schools

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| A Aptakisic Junior High School - 1231 Weiland Road | I Meridian Middle School - 2195 Brandywyn Lane |
| B Buffalo Grove High School - 1100 W. Dundee Road | J Prairie School - 1530 Brandywyn Lane |
| C Cooper Middle School - 1050 W. Plum Grove Circle | K Pritchett School - 200 Horatio Drive |
| D Country Meadows School - 6360 Gilmer Road in Long Grove | L Tripp School - 850 Highland Grove Drive |
| E Ivy Hall School - 1072 Ivy Hall Lane | M Twin Groves Middle School - 2600 Buffalo Grove Road |
| F Kildeer School - 3100 Old McHenry Road in Long Grove | N Willow Grove School - 777 Checker Drive |
| G Kilmer School - 655 Golfview Terrace | O Woodlawn Middle School - 6362 Gilmer Road in Long Grove |
| H Longfellow School - 501 S. Arlington Heights Road | |



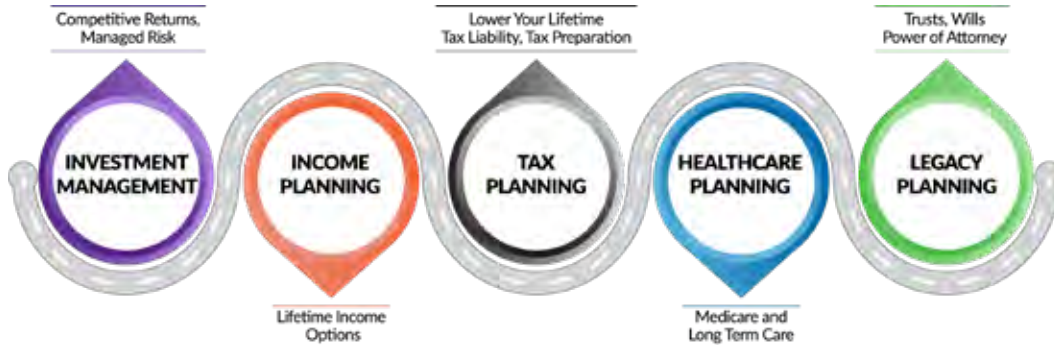
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