

# BLOOMINGTON PARKS & RECREATION

# FALL 2025

SPORTS, ART, GOLF, ICE, ZOO, COOKING, CRAFTS, AND MORE!



**TURKEY TROT · THANKSGIVING DAY**  
**REGISTRATION OPENS SEPTEMBER 5**



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ILLINOIS  
PARKS & RECREATION



# SAVE THE DATE!

**8/20**

**BLOOMINGTON RESIDENT  
REGISTRATION BEGINS  
AT 5:00 AM**

**8/27**

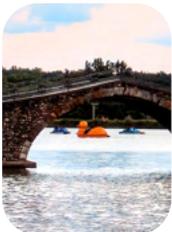
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AT 5:00 AM**

**REGISTER FOR PROGRAMS, CLASSES, AND EVENTS  
AT BLOOMINGTONPARKS.ORG**

## **National Park & Recreation Month Photo Contest Winners!**

In order to celebrate Park & Recreation month, community members submitted photos taken in our Bloomington Parks to show what Parks & Recreation means to them.

Here are the winners:



Reenie Bradley



Patrick Healy



Cori Miles

**CONGRATULATIONS AND  
THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING!**

## **JOIN OUR TEAM! BLOOMINGTON PARKS & RECREATION IS HIRING!**



SCAN THE QR CODE TO APPLY OR GO TO  
**BLOOMINGTONIL.GOV/JOBS**

**QUESTIONS?  
CALL OUR MAIN OFFICE AT  
(309) 434-2260**

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[BLOOMINGTONPARKS.ORG](http://BLOOMINGTONPARKS.ORG)**

# General Information

**Mission Statement:** Our mission is to enrich the quality of life for our community through parks and recreation.

**Vision:** Our vision is to provide for now and future generations a sense of community, preserved green space, diverse programs, excellent customer service, and life-changing experiences.

**We Love Parents But:** With your child's best interest in mind, parents are asked to not be in the classroom during programs. Our instructors always welcome the opportunity to discuss a participant's progress with parents at any time. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Behavior Policy:** Participants are expected to exhibit appropriate behavior at all times. The following guidelines have been developed to help make the Recreation Department safe and enjoyable for all participants. Participants shall: 1) show respect to all participants and staff; 2) refrain from using foul language; 3) refrain from causing bodily harm to another participant or staff; and 4) show respect for equipment, supplies and facilities. If participants are not able to exhibit appropriate behavior, or are distracting the instructor, they may be asked to leave the program.

**Toilet Training Policy:** Children enrolled in a Bloomington Parks & Recreation program for ages 3 and older must be toilet trained unless it is a parent/toddler class. Recreation programs stress the importance of children practicing their independence and we do not aid children in the bathroom. Our instructors are not responsible for diaper changing or toilet training. The Recreation Department reserves the right to deny participation by a child age 3 or older if they are not toilet trained.

**Americans with Disabilities Act:** We comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability. We will make reasonable accommodations for individuals with disabilities who meet essential eligibility requirements for the desired program. Individuals with disabilities are encouraged to contact us at (309) 434-2260 regarding special accommodations needed for enjoyment of programs. Those who use telecommunications for the deaf (TTY) may reach the Recreation Department by calling our TTY number (309) 829-5115.

**Sincere Appreciation:** A great big "thank you" goes to the District 87, Unit 5, and Central Catholic High Schools for the use of school facilities. The extra time and energy from secretaries, custodians, teachers, and principals is greatly appreciated.

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## WEATHER SAFETY GUIDELINES FOR OUTDOOR RECREATION PROGRAMS

### Cold/Snow/Sleet/Ice:

If the temperature is at or below 10 degrees, with or without wind chill, outdoor activities may be canceled. Every attempt will be made to maintain normal operations during extreme winter weather conditions. When the National Weather Service has issued travel warnings during the time period of a program, scheduled activities may be canceled.

### Make-Up Policy:

When applicable, efforts will be made to make up any canceled programs and/or games with no guarantee(s).

### Weather Related Communication:

- Program Cancellations will be determined no earlier than 1 hour prior to the start of a program via email. If weather worsens less than 1 hour prior, cancellations can still be made with every effort to contact participants.
- Special Event Cancellations will be determined no later than 3 hours prior to start. If weather worsens less than 3 hours prior, cancellations can still be made with every effort to contact participants.
- Contractual programs, outside rentals, school sports, or groups using City of Bloomington recreation facilities are responsible for cancelling their own programs and notifying their participants.
- Cancellations/Delays can be made on-site at the programs or events.

**Updates will be posted in the following ways:  
Email/Social Media – Facebook ([facebook.com/cityblmBPARD](https://www.facebook.com/cityblmBPARD))**

## Parks & Rec. Staff

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Sue McLaughlin – Deputy City Manager

### Photo/Video Policy

The Parks & Recreation staff takes photos and videos of participants enrolled in our programs, classes, at events, or on park property. These photos or videos may be used in our brochures, social media, advertising, or other publications. If you do not wish to be in a video or have your photo taken, please tell our photographers.

## Important Phone Numbers

### City of Bloomington Parks & Recreation Main Office

109 E. Olive St. – (309) 434-2260  
Fax # (309) 434-2483

### Forrest Park Maintenance Building 1813 Springfield Rd. – (309) 434-2280

### Highland Park Golf Course 1613 S. Main St. – (309) 434-2200

### Lincoln Leisure Center 1206 S. Lee St. – (309) 434-2819

### Miller Park Pavilion 1122 S. Morris Ave. – (309) 434-2255

### Miller Park Zoo 1020 S. Morris Ave. – (309) 434-2250

### Bloomington Ice Center 201 S. Roosevelt Ave. – (309) 434-2737

### Prairie Vista Golf Course 502 W. Hamilton Rd. – (309) 434-2217

### The Den at Fox Creek Golf Course 3002 Fox Creek Rd. – (309) 434-2300

TTY (309) 829-5115  
Monday – Friday, 8:00 AM–5:00 PM

## Holiday Closings

Monday, September 1, 2025  
Tuesday, November 11, 2025  
Thursday, November 27, 2025  
Friday, November 28, 2025  
Wednesday, December 24, 2025  
Thursday, December 25, 2025  
Wednesday, December 31, 2025 (half day)  
Thursday, January 1, 2026



# FACILITY RENTALS



## Bloomington Parks & Recreation Facility Rentals

You may request a facility rental online at [BloomingtonParks.org](http://BloomingtonParks.org) or call our main office at (309) 434-2260 for more information.



FACILITY RENTALS

### Miller Park Pavilion

This historic landmark was restored in 1977 and is a premier Bloomington/Normal rental facility for weddings, receptions and more. The Miller Park Pavilion has three floors, rambling porches, chandelier lighting and a unique design. Rental options include: Main Level – hardwood floor with floor-to-ceiling windows overlooking Miller Park Lake, 1/2 of Main Level – partitions divide the main level into two smaller areas, Upper Level – a carpeted meeting room, and the East Porch – an outside area protected from the elements by an overhead balcony. Miller Park Pavilion Rental Rates and Policy & Procedures are available online or by contacting the Administrative Office. Alcohol will not be considered from April 1 to October 31.

MAIN OFFICE (309) 434-2260

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### Hike Haven

Hike Haven is the perfect rustic location for birthday parties, family gatherings and more. Located on Lake Drive in Forrest Park, the former Girl Scout Cabin will welcome you to a nature-like setting. Several doors and windows open to allow a nice breeze through the facility and out onto the covered back porch.

Hike Haven is fully accessible.

### Lincoln Leisure Center

Once an elementary school, this two-story building consists of a gymnasium and nine classrooms. Recreation programs are offered on a daily basis. Rental opportunities are available to the public after recreation programs have been scheduled. There are two classrooms on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor and the gym is available for rental. Rates are double if the building is closed due to no other programs being held. Call (309) 434-2260 for more information.



### Tipton Park Shelters

There are two large shelters in Tipton Park which may be reserved. The shelter off Stone Mountain Blvd. and the shelter off GE Rd. Run/Walks can be hosted at either shelter.



### White Oak Community Room

This facility located in White Oak Park includes a small meeting room that is available for rental.



### Miller Park Adult Center

Located in the lower level of Miller Park Pavilion is the Miller Park Adult Center. This indoor facility is the perfect location for birthday parties, family gatherings, showers, meetings, and much more. Facility contains a full kitchen, common area with TV, open floor plan, restrooms, and lakefront views.



### **The Den Palmer Room (309) 434-2300**

Enjoy the beautiful banquet room overlooking The Den Golf Course for your meeting or family event. The renter is responsible for room arrangement and clean-up afterwards. Rental time includes set-up and take down. Banquet/Meeting Room: Seating 168. Open year-round.

### **Bloomington Ice Center (309) 434-2737**

Bloomington Ice Center features a 200' x 85' sheet of ice and a party area for birthdays or small meetings. The ice may be rented for groups or practices at times it's not being used for Bloomington Ice programs.

### **Miller Park Zoo (309) 434-2250**

Rent Out the Zoo! Treat your employees or other special group to a one of a kind after-hours experience at the Zoo. Various packages are available, and can be customized to meet your needs. Miller Park Zoo offers two Birthday Party options (*suitable for all ages*). Visit us at [MillerParkZoo.org](http://MillerParkZoo.org)!

**To learn more about renting space at these facilities, go online to [BloomingtonParks.org](http://BloomingtonParks.org) or call the number listed.**

## **Bloomington Parks & Rec Fall 2025 Checklist:**

- Go to a special themed open skate at the Bloomington Ice Center**
- Register for a fall program**
- Go to Howlabaloo at the Zoo**
- Participate in the Great Pumpkin Hunt**
- Visit a new park in Bloomington**
- Go to the 47<sup>th</sup> Annual FREE Turkey Trot**
- Play golf at Prairie Vista, Highland Park, or The Den**
- Visit the Miller Park Zoo**
- Register for the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Ugliest Sweater Run**
- Go to Wild Lights at the Miller Park Zoo**



# COMMUNITY EVENTS



## Bloomington Family Bike Ride **NEW**

### All Ages Welcome

Join us at Tipton South for a fun and scenic ride along Constitution Trail! The Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department has partnered with the Friends of the Constitution Trail and McLean County Wheelers to offer a FREE, family-friendly cycling event this fall! We'll provide light refreshments, a helmet decorating station, a bike mechanic station, and tips on bicycle safety.

**Location:** Tipton South (2405 General Electric Road)

**Date:** Sunday, October 12

**Time:** 3:30-5:00PM

**Fee:** FREE

Ride will last approximately 30 minutes. Participants are required to wear helmets and must obey traffic laws. No pre-registration required, children must be accompanied by an adult.



## Great Pumpkin Hunt

### All Ages Welcome

Pumpkins, decorated by our fabulous SOAR participants, have been hidden throughout our Bloomington parks for you and your family to find! Clues will be released at 11:00AM each of the first four Fridays in October on our social media channels (Facebook and Instagram). There will be two pumpkins hidden each week, for a total of eight pumpkins hidden in City of Bloomington parks during October.

Find a pumpkin in the park and post a picture in the clue post thread on either of our socials. Limited to one entry per park. All photos are entered into a drawing for three (3) lucky winners of a BPRD Prize Pack featuring free daily admission passes and Bloomington Parks swag! The winners will be announced on Halloween.

**Location:** City of Bloomington Parks

**Day:** Fridays

**Dates:** 10/3-10/24

**Fee:** FREE



## Paint with Mary Jo

### Ages 8+

Participants will create your very own canvas painting to take home with you. Follow along with step-by-step instructions. We will provide all the supplies and take care of clean-up. Children will participate independent of an adult. **Instructor:** Mary Jo Johnson, IOAA

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Date:** Sunday, October 19

**Time:** 1:30-3:00PM

**Fee:** \$25



## Paint with Me

### Ages 5-14 with an Adult

Adults will assist their child to create a picture on an 11x14 canvas together. Follow along with step-by-step instructions by artists from Inside Out Accessible Art. We will provide all the supplies and take care of clean-up. Participants should wear smock or old clothes since we will be using acrylic paints. Snacks and drinks will be served. **Instructor:** Mary Jo Johnson, IOAA

**Location:** Miller Park Pavilion

**Date:** Sunday, November 16

**Time:** 1:30-3:30PM

**Fee:** \$35/pair; \$20 additional child in same household

## 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Ugliest Sweater Run

### All Ages

Put on your best holiday cheer and come out to Miller Park for the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Ugliest Sweater Run with Bloomington Parks & Rec and Fleet Feet Bloomington. There will be a 3-Mile non-competitive run or walk, with prizes awarded for special sweater categories. Stop on the route at the selfie stations for pictures and add your best Ugly Sweater picture to the event page.

**Find More Info at:**

[FleetFeetBloomington.com/Races/Ugliest-Sweater-Run](http://FleetFeetBloomington.com/Races/Ugliest-Sweater-Run)

**Location:** Miller Park Pavilion

**Date:** Saturday, December 13

**Time:** 1:00PM

**Fee:** \$10 (race only); \$25 (race + T-shirt)

## Candy Cane Drop

### Ages 3-12 with an Adult

Santa will be taking a ride with our forestry crew in one of the boom lift trucks and dropping candy canes for the kids to pick up! Adults will need to remain with their children through the entire event. All participants will get a chance to visit Santa when he comes back down to the ground! Check-in is at 10:00AM. The drop will be at 10:15AM. **Pre-registration is required. This is an ALL outdoor event.**

**Location:** Miller Park Pavilion

**Date:** Saturday, December 13

**Time:** 10:15AM (Check-in at 10:00AM)

**Fee:** \$12

## Blood Drive

### Be a Part of Something Bigger – Donate Blood Today!

Every time you donate blood, you're doing more than just giving – you're becoming part of something bigger. Your donation has the power to save lives, support patients in need, and strengthen your community - your generosity makes a real impact. One donation can change a life – or even several. Schedule your donation today! ImpactLife is the provider of blood product and components to our local hospitals in McLean County.

**Visit [BloodCenter.org](http://BloodCenter.org) or call (800) 747-5401 to book an appointment.**

**Location:** Miller Park Pavilion, Lower Level

**Date:** Saturday, September 13

**Time:** 9:00AM-12:00PM



**47TH ANNUAL • FREE • MILLER PARK**  
**TURKEY TROT**  
**THANKSGIVING DAY • NOVEMBER 27**

Join us and Fleet Feet Bloomington for a family-friendly event to kickstart your holiday feast on Thanksgiving Day!

*Online registration begins September 5.*

Online registration will be available at

[RunSignup.com/Race/IL/Bloomington/MillerParkTurkeyTrot](https://RunSignup.com/Race/IL/Bloomington/MillerParkTurkeyTrot)

On-site registration will be available outside of Miller Park Pavilion beginning at 8:00 AM  
(online registration is strongly encouraged).

This event is not timed and awards are not given. Only online registrants will be eligible for the variety of raffle prizes. Registration (whether online or on-site) is **FREE**.  
Sign-in begins at 8:00 AM in front of Miller Park Pavilion, with races beginning as early as 9:00 AM.

*We will be collecting non-perishable food items to benefit Home Sweet Home Ministries.*

**9:00 AM: Kids Half-Mile Run**

**9:15 AM: 3-Mile Run**

**9:30 AM: 1.5-Mile Walk**



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**WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS! WANT TO BE A ROUTE MONITOR OR HELP PEOPLE CHECK IN?**

**CONTACT CODY AT CDEMAS@CITYBLM.ORG**



# CANDY CANE DROP

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Pre-registration is required.

This is an ALL outdoor event.

**Sat., Dec. 13 at 10:15 AM • Ages 3-12 (with an Adult)**  
**\$12 PER CHILD**

Miller Park - check in at 10:00 AM outside the main entrance of Miller Park Pavilion



**12TH ANNUAL!**

# **UGLIEST SWEATER RUN**

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There will be a 3-mile non-competitive run or walk, with prizes awarded for special sweater categories.

Stop on the route at the selfie stations for pictures and add your best Ugly Sweater picture to the event page:

[FleetFeetBloomington.com/Races/Ugliest-Sweater-Run](http://FleetFeetBloomington.com/Races/Ugliest-Sweater-Run)

**All Ages • Miller Park • Bloomington, Illinois**



**SAT., DEC. 13 • 1:00 PM • MILLER PARK**

# SPORTS/ FITNESS



## In the Zone: Volleyball Camp

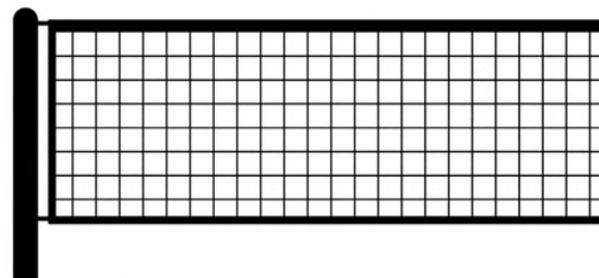
### Grades 2-7

This 8-week program will get players to focus on developing the foundational skills of volleyball. This camp is offered to 2<sup>nd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> grade boys and girls in a recreational setting. Players will have the chance to learn about fair play, volleyball skills, teamwork, and sportsmanship. Practices will focus on basic skill development and will progress to more advanced concepts as skill level increases.

The first four weeks of classes will focus on the fundamental skills with drills, weeks 5-7 will be 30-minutes of practice and 30-minutes of scrimmage, and the last week of camp will be two 30-minute games. This is an instructional program and not a league.

**Location:** Pepper Ridge Elementary, Gym

Grades	Day	Time	Date	Fee
2-3	W	5:30-6:30PM	10/1-11/19	\$52
4-5	W	6:30-7:30PM	10/1-11/19	\$52
6-7	W	7:30-8:30PM	10/1-11/19	\$52



## In the Zone: Basketball Camp

### Grades 2-7

This 8-week program will get players focusing on developing the foundational skills of basketball. This camp is offered to 2<sup>nd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> grade boys and girls in a recreational setting. Players will have the chance to learn about fair play, basketball skills, teamwork, and sportsmanship. Practices will focus on basic skill development and will progress to more advanced concepts as skill level increases.

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4-5	W	6:30-7:30PM	1/21-3/11	\$52
6-7	W	7:30-8:30PM	1/21-3/11	\$52



## Youth Soccer Clinic

### Ages 5-11

Athletes will develop essential soccer skills such as dribbling, passing, shooting and defense on a more individual level. The class will progress into small games and players will have the opportunity to scrimmage on the last day of class.

**Location:** Stevenson Park, Soccer Field

<u>Ages</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Fee</u>
5-7	W	5:00-5:45PM	9/10-10/8	\$40
8-11	W	6:00-6:45PM	9/10-10/8	\$40

## Mini Super Stars

### Ages 2-3 with an Adult

Preschoolers and their parents will get sporty playing a variety of sports and fun activities. This class is designed for parent and child interaction with an emphasis on physical activity and teamwork. This program inspires players to develop sportsmanship in a positive and fun environment, along with the development of fine and gross motor skills. Program will be held outdoors weather permitting and the indoor gym will be held as a backup site.

**Location:** Pepper Ridge Elementary

**Day:** Mondays

**Dates:** 9/8-9/29

**Time:** 4:30-5:10PM

**Fee:** \$35

## FUNDamental T-Ball

### Ages 3-8

Players learn the foundation skills of the sport that will help prepare them for baseball and softball. The emphasis is on fun, basic instruction, and equal participation. Players will get a chance to learn hitting, catching, fielding and much more.

**Location:** Suburban East Park, Ballfield

<u>Ages</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Fee</u>
3	TH	4:30-5:15PM	9/18-10/9	\$42
4-5	TH	5:25-6:10PM	9/18-10/9	\$42
6-8	TH	6:20-7:05PM	9/18-10/9	\$42

**Location:** Oakland Elementary, Gym

<u>Ages</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Fee</u>
3	T	5:15-5:45PM	11/11-12/9	\$34
4-5	T	5:55-6:25PM	11/11-12/9	\$34
6-8	T	6:35-7:05PM	11/11-12/9	\$34

## Super Star Athletes

### Ages 4-7

Let's get outside and play some sports. Each day we will focus on the fundamentals of a different sport and give players an opportunity to play each sport in a non-competitive game. Program will be held outdoors weather permitting and the indoor gym will be held as a backup site.

**Location:** Pepper Ridge Elementary

**Day:** Mondays

**Dates:** 9/8-9/29

**Time:** 5:20-6:00PM

**Fee:** \$35



## FUNDamental Basketball

### Ages 3-8

Players will enhance their basketball knowledge and skills! Utilizing fun drills and games, players will develop important basketball skills such as passing, dribbling, shooting, and defense.

**Location:** Clearwater Park, Basketball Courts

<u>Ages</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Fee</u>
3	T	4:30-5:00PM	9/16-10/7	\$34
4-5	T	5:10-5:40PM	9/16-10/7	\$34
6-8	T	5:50-6:20PM	9/16-10/7	\$34

**Location:** Stevenson Elementary, Gym

<u>Ages</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Fee</u>
3	T	5:15-5:45PM	10/21-11/11	\$34
4-5	T	5:55-6:25PM	10/21-11/11	\$34
6-8	T	6:35-7:05PM	10/21-11/11	\$34



## FUNdamental Soccer

### Ages 3-8

Players will be introduced to the rudimentary skills of playing games and activities in a class setting. Players will learn skills necessary for participants in this high endurance-sport, such as kicking, passing, defense, and shooting

**Location:** Stevenson Elementary, Gym

Ages	Day	Time	Date	Fee
3	TH	5:15-5:45PM	10/2-10/23	\$34
4-5	TH	5:55-6:25PM	10/2-10/23	\$34
6-8	TH	6:35-7:05PM	10/2-10/23	\$34

## FUNdamental Football

### Ages 5-11

Players will get to be introduced to the basic skills of football in a fun learning environment. Throwing, passing, and catching are just a few of the skills players will learn through fun drills and activities.

**Location:** Washington Elementary, Gym

Ages	Day	Time	Date	Fee
5-6	M	5:15-5:45PM	11/3-11/24	\$34
7-8	M	5:55-6:25PM	11/3-11/24	\$34
9-11	M	6:35-7:05PM	11/3-11/24	\$34

## Hoopsters

### Ages 5-8

Players will be introduced to new individual and team basketball drills encompassing dribbling, shooting, passing and teamwork. These energetic, participative, fun drills and activities are progressively taught and reviewed. A recreational game will be played on the last day of class.

**Location:** Stevenson Elementary, Gym

Ages	Day	Time	Date	Fee
5-6	TH	5:30-6:15PM	11/6-12/11 (NOT 11/27)	\$42
7-8	TH	6:30-7:15PM	11/6-12/11 (NOT 11/27)	\$42

## FUNdamental Hockey

Players will be introduced to basic hockey and skating skills utilizing fun games. Players will learn basic skating, shooting, passing, and SCORING! \*Players will need to bring a hoodie, sweatpants and hockey or winter gloves if they do not have hockey specific gear. Skates, helmets, and sticks will be available to borrow for each class.

**Location:** Bloomington Ice Center

Ages	Day	Time	Dates	Fee
3-5	SA	8:40-9:20AM	9/6-9/20	\$45
6-10	SA	8:40-9:20AM	9/6-9/20	\$45

## Sporty Parent & Child

### Ages 18 months-3 years with an Adult

Parents, now is your chance to get your preschooler moving! Have your mini athlete get active while trying a variety of sports including basketball, soccer, floor hockey and so much more. While we will emphasize physical activity, this program encourages the growth of fine and gross motor skills and introduces players to teamwork.

**Location:** Pepper Ridge Elementary, Gym

**Day:** Mondays

**Dates:** 11/10-12/8

**Time:** 5:00-5:45PM

**Fee:** \$40

## Sporty Munchkins

### Ages 3-5

Each class, participants will get the opportunity to learn the fundamentals of a different sport including soccer, basketball, t-ball and much more. This program inspires players to develop sportsmanship in a positive fun environment along with the development of fine and gross motor skills.

**Location:** Pepper Ridge Elementary, Gym

**Day:** Mondays

**Dates:** 11/10-12/8

**Time:** 6:00-6:45PM

**Fee:** \$40



# Fall Tennis Lessons at McGraw Park

All ages and skill levels can expect a challenging but enjoyable tennis experience this fall! With group lessons ranging from introductory youth to experienced adult, this program will help you build new skills, enhance existing abilities, and hopefully develop a passion for the game that you can continue enjoying throughout life.

All classes will be instructed by experienced tennis players and meet at McGraw Park.

## Tot Tennis (Age 5)

A FUN introduction to the game will be the priority! We'll use engaging activities, drills, and games to help teach and develop the basic of the basics.

## Pee Wee (Ages 6-7)

Emphasis on hand-eye coordination, racquet skills, footwork, lines, and shots.

## Youth (Ages 8-9)

Focus will be on the fundamentals of grip, strokes, serve, and volleys.

## Junior (Ages 10-12)

Class includes skills, drills, games, strokes, serves, and challenging play progressing towards game-based play.

## Teen (Ages 13-15)

Ability to serve and rally preferred. Class will focus on fine tuning shots and skills to help develop an all-around game. Participant should be able to participate in game-based play with their peers.

## Adult (Ages 16+)

Prior tennis experience preferred, though not required. Players should expect consistency of ground strokes, serves, and volleys with more advanced techniques and strategies to incorporate into singles and doubles play.



### USTA recommended racquet sizes based on age/skill level:

Tots (Age 5): 23"  
 Pee Wee (Ages 6-7): 23-25"  
 Youth (Ages 8-9): 25-26"  
 Youth (Ages 10-12): 26-28"  
 Teen/Adult: 28"

All City of Bloomington tennis courts are open for public play free-of-charge on a first-come, first-serve basis, outside of Bloomington Parks & Recreation lessons, school teams, and special events or tournaments, which all have priority over open play. Courts are located at: Bloomington High School (eight lighted), McGraw Park (four lighted, two unlighted), Stevenson Park (three lighted), and Rollingbrook Park (three unlighted).

We request no private lessons on public courts.

## Fall Tennis Lessons Schedule

Class	Day	Dates	Time	Fee
Pee Wee	T	9/16-10/14	5:30-6:15PM	\$45
Youth	T	9/16-10/14	6:30-7:30PM	\$50
Junior	TH	9/18-10/16	5:30-6:30PM	\$50
Adult	TH	9/18-10/16	6:45-8:00PM	\$55
Tots	SA	9/20-10/18	8:30-9:00AM	\$40
Pee Wee	SA	9/20-10/18	9:15-10:00AM	\$45
Youth	SA	9/20-10/18	10:15-11:15AM	\$50
Junior	SA	9/20-10/18	11:30AM-12:30PM	\$50
Teen	SA	9/20-10/18	11:30AM-12:30PM	\$50

10/21, 10/23, and 10/25 will be used as weather-related make-up classes.

# Fall Adult Volleyball Leagues

## Adult Volleyball Leagues

### Ages 18+

Get your team together for a fun volleyball experience! Multiple leagues this Fall are available. Play in our Women's or Co-ed Recreational, Intermediate, or Competitive Leagues. Each league is self-officiated as teams are required to make their own calls. **Start times could be scheduled anywhere between 6:00-9:00PM.** Team fee is due upon registration. The signed team roster is due on-site at the first match. **Teams must register online.**

If you do not have a team but would like to play, you can register for our Free Agent list at [BloomingtonParks.org](http://BloomingtonParks.org) and hope to get picked up by a team.

More league specific information and rules can also be found at [BloomingtonParks.org](http://BloomingtonParks.org).

**Location:** Pepper Ridge Elementary

League	Day	Dates	Fee	Reg. Deadline	Team Max
Co-ed Competitive	T	10/7-12/16	\$195	9/19	12
Co-ed Intermediate	TH	10/2-12/18	\$195	9/19	14
Co-ed Recreational	M/T/TH*	10/6-12/18	\$195	9/19	8
Women's	M	10/6-12/15	\$195	9/25	8

**Dates are TENTATIVE and subject to change based on a school-related gym schedule change and/or weather-related cancellations. Match schedules will be sent out to team managers at least one week prior to the start of the season.**

**\*A majority of the Recreational League matches can be expected to be played on Tuesday, though teams should also expect to have some matches scheduled on either Monday or Thursday on a given week. If a specific night is required on a consistent basis, manager will be able to request upon registration. We will do our best to accommodate requests. However, requests are not guaranteed.**

**Please note:** Co-ed INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE teams CANNOT roster more than one male and one female who are also rostered on a Competitive League team.

**Be on the lookout for our January-April Winter/Spring league information to be released later this Fall!**



# Gymnastics & Tumbling

Two separate FOUR-week sessions will be offered and led by the great instructors of Gymnastics Etc. Classes will be held on Friday late afternoon and evenings in the gym at Lincoln Leisure Center. See the Gymnastics & Tumbling Fall 2025 Schedule below.

## Parent/Tot Gymnastics (Ages 18-35 months)

Join the fun, parents! Group learning, individual challenges, repetition and spending time together exploring new activities make for an exciting class. Develop balance and coordination while improving gross motor skills with rolls, jumps and obstacle courses. Together we stretch and play in a fun and structured environment.

## Super Tot Gymnastics (Ages 3-4)

Little people will have big fun improving large motor skills and self-confidence. Children will be taught the fundamentals of gymnastics while developing coordination, balance, and body awareness in a fun and energetic environment. Apparatus used includes basic tumbling, bars, and beam. **Note:** Children need to participate without parental assistance.

## Gym Stars (Ages 5-8)

Gym Stars is a great way to improve coordination, increase physical strength and endurance, and have fun all at the same time! This class teaches introductory gymnastics skills on all the gymnastics equipment: beam, bar and floor. **No experience is required.**

### Session 1

Class	Day	Time	Dates	Fee
Super Tot	F	4:30-5:00PM	9/26-10/17	\$53
Parent/Tot	F	5:00-5:30PM	9/26-10/17	\$53
Super Tot	F	5:30-6:00PM	9/26-10/17	\$53
Gym Stars	F	6:00-7:00PM	9/26-10/17	\$76

### Session 2

Class	Day	Time	Dates	Fee
Super Tot	F	4:30-5:00PM	10/24-11/21 (NOT 10/31)	\$53
Parent/Tot	F	5:00-5:30PM	10/24-11/21 (NOT 10/31)	\$53
Super Tot	F	5:30-6:00PM	10/24-11/21 (NOT 10/31)	\$53
Gym Stars	F	6:00-7:00PM	10/24-11/21 (NOT 10/31)	\$76

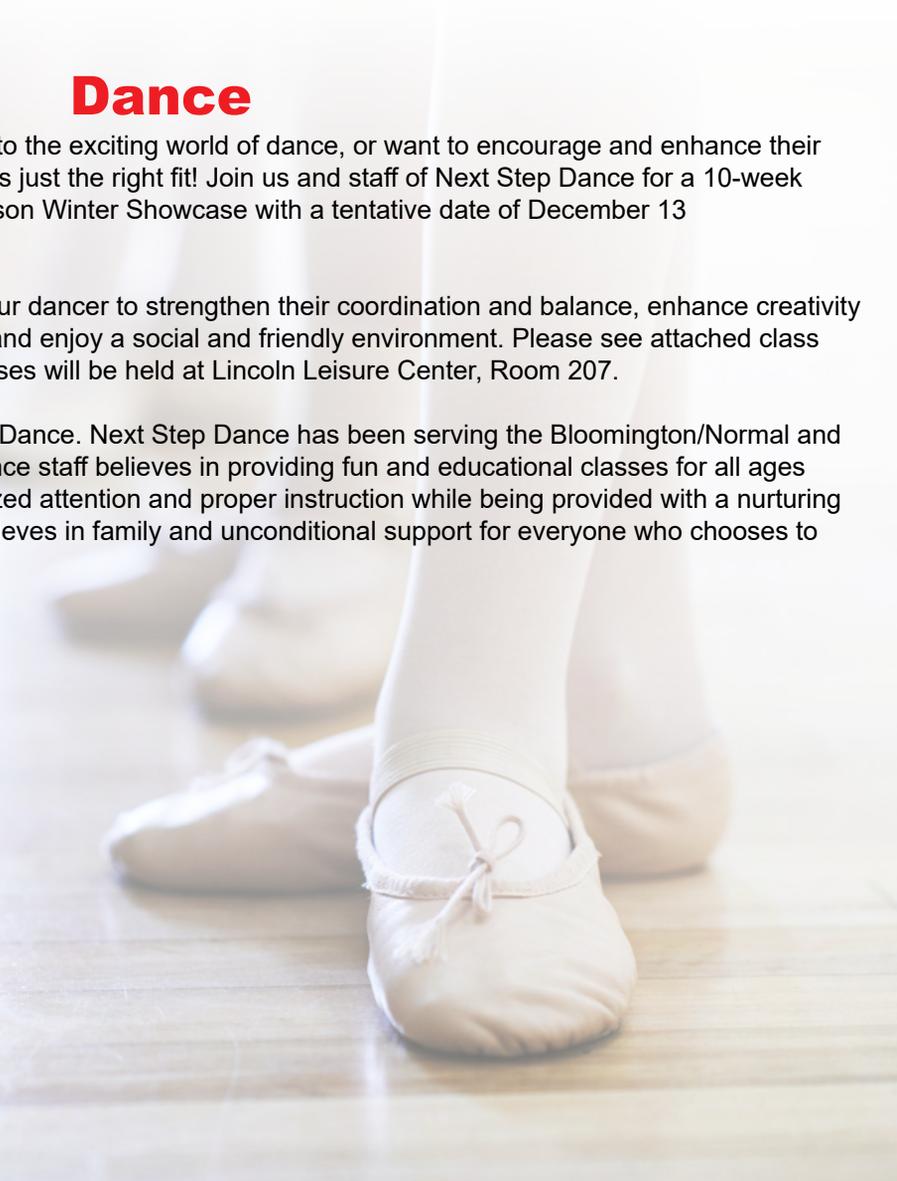


# Dance

Whether you'd like to introduce your little one to the exciting world of dance, or want to encourage and enhance their dance skills, you're sure to find the class that is just the right fit! Join us and staff of Next Step Dance for a 10-week program that is capped off with an end-of-season Winter Showcase with a tentative date of December 13 (more details to come).

Each class provides a great opportunity for your dancer to strengthen their coordination and balance, enhance creativity and freedom of expression, gain confidence, and enjoy a social and friendly environment. Please see attached class schedule for dates, times, and pricing. All classes will be held at Lincoln Leisure Center, Room 207.

All classes are led by instructors of Next Step Dance. Next Step Dance has been serving the Bloomington/Normal and surrounding areas since 2009. Next Step Dance staff believes in providing fun and educational classes for all ages and levels. Each child will be given personalized attention and proper instruction while being provided with a nurturing environment for growth. Next Step Dance believes in family and unconditional support for everyone who chooses to call the studio home.



## **Tiny Dancers (Ages 18 months-2 years)**

An intro to dance, this class is designed for the very young dancer. Creative movement and activities help introduce the beginning fundamentals of dance and classroom etiquette. Caregivers will love participating as they assist in developing their "tiny" dancer. Dancers may wear a leotard and tights or comfortable clothing. **Required shoes:** any color ballet shoe. **Please note:** Parent/caregiver will be expected to participate.

## **Dancing Feet (Ages 3-4)**

This introductory dance class will teach dancers the basic fundamentals of dance. Dancers will work to grow gross motor skills, learn some ballet/jazz terms, and have fun in a creative dance environment. **Pink ballet shoes are required.**

## **Bitty Ballet (Ages 5-6)**

These introductory classes will teach dancers the basic fundamentals of ballet. Dancers will work to grow gross motor skills, learn some ballet terms, and have fun in a creative dance environment. Dancers may wear a leotard and preferably tights, skirts are allowed. **Pink ballet shoes are required.**

## **Hippity Hop (Ages 3-4)**

This high energy introductory class will teach dancers to move their bodies in different ways. Dancers will learn some of the fundamentals of hip hop while working to improve gross motor movement, listening skills, and performing. All dancers should wear fitted clothing. **Clean tennis shoes are required.**

### **Ballet/Tap Combo (Ages 5-7)**

This class is a combination of ballet, tap, and creative movement basics. This class is a great introduction to beginner ballet technique and learning rhythm, tempo, and musicality in tap. Dancers will also work on building coordination and motor skills. No necessary experience is needed to register for this class. Dancers are required to wear a leotard and preferably tights (skirts and tutus are optional). **Pink ballet shoes AND tap shoes are required.**

### **Beginner Hip Hop (Ages 5-7)**

Dancers in Beginning Hip Hop will learn all of the basic dance skills such as keeping rhythm, following choreography and developing body control, as well as performance skills such as stage presence, acting, and improvisation are taught through kid-friendly Hip Hop and Funk style music and movement. Throughout the session, students will learn a fun and exciting routine. No necessary experience needed to register for this class. **Clean tennis shoes are required.**

### **Jazz/Hip Hop Combo (Ages 6-10)**

Class will focus on the fundamentals of jazz and hip hop. We will work on combinations across the floor and center work. Throughout the session, students will learn a routine to help build stage presence and performance skills. No necessary experience needed to register for this class. **Clean tennis shoes and required, while jazz shoes are encouraged.**

## **Fall 2025 Dance Schedule**

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center, Room 207

<b>Class</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Dancing Feet	T	4:30-5:00PM	9/30-12/9 (NOT 11/25)	\$80
Bitty Ballet	T	5:00-5:45PM	9/30-12/9 (NOT 11/25)	\$90
Hippity Hop	T	5:45-6:15PM	9/30-12/9 (NOT 11/25)	\$80
Ballet/Tap Combo	T	6:15-7:00PM	9/30-12/9 (NOT 11/25)	\$90
Dancing Feet	W	4:30-5:00PM	10/1-12/10 (NOT 11/26)	\$80
Tiny Dancers	W	5:00-5:30PM	10/1-12/10 (NOT 11/26)	\$80
Jazz/Hip Hop Combo	W	5:35-6:20PM	10/1-12/10 (NOT 11/26)	\$90
Bitty Ballet	TH	4:30-5:15PM	10/2-12/11 (NOT 11/27)	\$90
Hippity Hop	TH	5:15-5:45PM	10/2-12/11 (NOT 11/27)	\$80
Beginner Hip Hop	TH	5:45-6:30PM	10/2-12/11 (NOT 11/27)	\$90





# Health & Fitness Center

Carle Health & Fitness Center is Bloomington-Normal's premier wellness destination. Their state-of-the-art facility offers a wide range of services and programs, including group fitness classes, personal training, health coaching, and more. Their team of experienced health professionals works closely with clients to help them achieve their goals, whether it's improving their overall fitness or managing a specific health condition.

**All programs listed below will be led and instructed by Carle Health & Fitness Center professionals.**

## Kickstart Youth Fitness

### Ages 7-12

School's back in session! Let's make sure to exercise our bodies as well as our minds. Exercise-based games and activities geared towards 7-12-year-olds of all athletic abilities. Designed for kids to reach their recommended daily exercise minutes. Entry-level program focused on non-competitive gross motor play.

**Location:** Carle Health & Fitness outdoor space, 1111 Trinity Lane, Bloomington, IL - Will move indoors to Carle Health & Fitness Center during inclement weather.

Session	Day*	Time	Dates	Fee
1	M/W/TH	4:30-5:15PM	9/2-9/25	\$75
2	M/W/TH	4:30-5:15PM	9/29-10/23	\$75
3	M/W/TH	4:30-5:15PM	10/27-11/20	\$75
4	M/W/TH	4:30-5:15PM	11/24-12/19 (NOT 11/27)	\$75



\***Mondays and Wednesdays:** Kids Move Land Workouts

\***Thursdays:** Kids Aquatics Water Workouts (in the warm water pool)

*All equipment provided by Carle Health & Fitness Center.*

*Children should bring their own water bottle and wear weather-appropriate clothing and closed-toed shoes.*

*Registration closes one week prior to the start of each session.*

## Neuro Fitness

Appropriate for individuals dealing with Multiple Sclerosis, Traumatic Brain Injury, Stroke, Central Nervous System Lupus, Postural Orthostatic Tachycardia Syndrome, Functional Neurological Disorder, and other neurological conditions. Individuals will be evaluated to determine they have the appropriate physical and cognitive abilities to participate independently in a group setting. Goals include developing strength, balance, mobility, and neuromotor skills.

**Module 1:** Yoga with peer instructor Amy Haney. This yoga class is designed to cater to individuals living with challenges related to different neurological conditions. Safely engage in yoga postures, breathing exercises, and meditation practices that are adapted to your unique abilities and limitations.

**Module 2:** Neuro-Functional Exercise with peer instructor Stacy Kirkpatrick. These exercises provide the framework to understand neurological challenges. They are designed to help with balance, gait, weakness, spasticity, and foot drop. Harness the power of the brain-body connection through sensory input and use practical strategies to improve and maintain functionality.

**Location:** Carle Health & Fitness Center - Mind & Body Studio

Module	Day	Time:	Dates	Fee
1 Yoga	W	4:00-5:00PM	8/27-10/8	\$99
2 Neuro-Functional Exercise	W	4:00-5:00PM	10/15-12/2 (NOT 11/26)	\$99



**TRAINING AND PERFORMANCE CENTER**

Get ready to reach new levels of speed, strength, and performance!

The Training and Performance Center (TPC) is offering an amazing lineup of sports performance programs this fall.

Expert coaches will lead dynamic sessions tailored for hockey, basketball, football, volleyball, soccer, softball, swimming, and more. From tactical strength training to vertical jump improvement and baseball velocity classes, the TPC has the perfect program to help young athletes gain an edge. Don't miss out on these exclusive offerings designed to build power, speed, agility, and endurance.

**Location:** Training and Performance Center, TPC 1111 Trinity Lane, Bloomington, IL

**All programs listed below will be led and instructed by certified trainers and coaches from the TPC.**

**Winter Break Warriors Camp**

**Ages 11-15**

Don't let winter break keep you on the sidelines! Join us at TPC for an exciting Winter Break Athletic Skills Camp designed to keep young athletes active and engaged. Over two weeks, participants can choose from two session options filled with fun athletic challenges, including relays and competitive games that promote teamwork and sportsmanship.

Led by certified coaches, each session offers age-appropriate challenges that stimulate both mind and body, perfect for newcomers and seasoned athletes alike. Build confidence, camaraderie, and a love for sports while maintaining your competitive edge this winter break! Open to athletes ages 11-15.

All equipment provided by Carle Health & Fitness Center. Athletes should bring their own water bottle and wear appropriate clothing and closed-toed shoes. Registration closes 1 week prior to the start of each session.

**Location:** Training and Performance Center (TPC), 1111 Trinity Lane, Bloomington, IL

<b>Session</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Fee</b>
1	M/TU	10:00-11:00AM	12/22-12/23	\$29
2	M/TU	10:00-11:00AM	12/29-12/30	\$29



# Community Sports Organizations

The Bloomington Parks & Recreation Department supports a number of community organizations dedicated to leisure time activities for local residents. To be a part of this listing, email [Parks@CityBlm.org](mailto:Parks@CityBlm.org).

## BASEBALL/SOFTBALL

**B-N Baseball Association**  
(Youth Baseball ages 7-19)  
[bnba.net](http://bnba.net)

**B-N Girls Softball** (Youth Softball ages 7-19)  
[bnbsa.org](http://bnbsa.org)

**McLean County PONY League**  
(Youth Baseball ages 5-18)  
[mcponybaseball.com](http://mcponybaseball.com)

## CRICKET

**Central Illinois Cricket Association (Youth and Adult)**  
[cicainfo.com](http://cicainfo.com)

## DISC GOLF

**BN Disc Golf Club (All ages)**  
[bndisc.com](http://bndisc.com)

## FISHING

**McLean County Sportmens Association (All ages)**  
Find them on Facebook

**Prairieland Anglers Association**  
[facebook.com/prairieland.anglers/](https://facebook.com/prairieland.anglers/)

## YOUTH FOOTBALL (FLAG AND TACKLE) AND CHEER

**Bloomington Cardinals**  
[bloomingtoncardinals.com](http://bloomingtoncardinals.com)

**Bloomington Knockers**  
[bloomingtonknockers.com](http://bloomingtonknockers.com)

**B-N Cougars**  
[bncougarsfootball.com](http://bncougarsfootball.com)

**B-N Fighting Irish**  
[bnfightingirish.com](http://bnfightingirish.com)

**Bloomington Wolves**  
Find them on Facebook

**Sports4Life Athletics (Flag Football)**  
[sports4lifeathletics.com](http://sports4lifeathletics.com)

**Twin City Tigers**  
[twincitytigersfootball.com](http://twincitytigersfootball.com)

## SWIMMING

**Central Illinois Masters Swim Team, Inc. (Ages 18+)**  
[cimst.org](http://cimst.org)

## LACROSSE

**B-N Warriors (Ages 9-14)**  
[bnwarriors.com](http://bnwarriors.com)

## HOCKEY

**Bloomington Youth Hockey (Travel Youth Hockey)**  
[bloomingtonyouthhockey.com](http://bloomingtonyouthhockey.com)

**Central Illinois Girls Hockey Association**  
(Girls Youth Hockey)  
[cigirlshockey.com](http://cigirlshockey.com)

**McLean County Sharks (High School Hockey)**  
[mcyhasharks.com](http://mcyhasharks.com)

**Central Illinois Special Hockey Association**  
Find them on Facebook

## PICKLEBALL

**Bloomington-Normal Pickleball**  
Find them on Facebook

## CYCLING & RUNNING

**Lake Run Club (All ages)**  
[lakerunclub.org](http://lakerunclub.org)

**McLean County Wheelers (Cycling Club for ages 18+)**  
[mcleancountywheelers.com](http://mcleancountywheelers.com)

## SOCCER

**FC Central Illinois Soccer (Youth Soccer)**  
[fccentralillinois.com](http://fccentralillinois.com)

**Inter South Soccer League (U5-U18)**  
[chicagointersouth.com](http://chicagointersouth.com)

**Prairie Cities Soccer League (Youth Soccer for ages 4-18)**  
[pcslsoccer.org](http://pcslsoccer.org)

**Midwest Sports Inc. (Adult Soccer)**  
[midwestsports@hotmail.com](mailto:midwestsports@hotmail.com)

## TENNIS

**B-N Tennis Association (Youth and Adult Tennis)**  
Matt Runyan at Evergreen Racquet Club

**Bloomington Tennis & Turf**  
[blonotennisturf.com](http://blonotennisturf.com)

**Table Tennis - ISU Wellness Table Tennis Club**  
(Ages 18+)  
(309) 838-7657

# AQUATICS

## Swim Lessons at Bloomington High School

### Important Information on Swim Lessons

This is a progressive class system where students move at their own pace through a series of levels. There is no experience needed for Level 1. Prerequisite for each class is successful demonstration of the skills taught at the previous level. Skill cards are given out as students complete a session. Remember, some swimmers will need more than one session before passing to the next skill level. Students are assigned to a level based on swim assessments performed on the first day of class.

All fall swim lessons will be located at Bloomington High School Pool.

**Please Note:** The water temperature at BHS ranges from 75-78 degrees, which may feel cool to swimmers.

Group swim lessons meet twice a week (M/W) for four weeks for a total of swim lessons.  
Private swim lessons meet once a week (M or W) for four weeks for a total of swim lessons.

### **Parent & Child Swim Lessons**

#### **Ages 6 months-4 years**

This program builds swimming readiness by emphasizing fun and building comfort in the water. Children must be accompanied by an adult. One child per adult.

**This course does not teach infants to swim or survive alone in the water.**

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Fee</u>
M/W	6:30-7:00PM	9/22-10/15	\$64

### **Pre-School Swim Lessons**

#### **Ages 3-4**

These classes specifically address the developmental needs of a preschooler. **Child must be at least 3 years old on the first day of class.**

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Fee</u>
M/W	6:30-7:00PM	9/22-10/15	\$64
M/W	6:30-7:00PM	10/27-11/19	\$64

### **Youth Swim Lessons**

#### **Ages 5-14**

There is no experience needed for Level 1.

**Child must be at least 5 years old on the first day of class.**

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Fee</u>
M/W	6:30-7:00PM	9/22-10/15	\$64
M/W	7:00-7:30PM	9/22-10/15	\$64
M/W	6:30-7:00PM	10/27-11/19	\$64
M/W	7:00-7:30PM	10/27-11/19	\$64

### **Adult Swim Lessons**

#### **Ages 15+**

It is never too late to learn how to swim. Instructors for this class will work with you at your own individual level. We want you to set the goals and we will work with you to achieve them.

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Fee</u>
M/W	7:30-8:00PM	10/27-11/19	\$64

### **Private Swim Lessons**

#### **Ages 4-14**

Benefits of private swim lessons, in addition to 1:1 instruction, include conquering fear, adapted goals, and more practice time with direct instruction and feedback. Instructors use our swim program progressions at an individualized pace.

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Fee</u>
M	7:30-8:00PM	9/22-10/13	\$66
W	7:30-8:00PM	9/24-10/15	\$66
M	7:30-8:00PM	10/27-11/17	\$66
W	7:30-8:00PM	10/29-11/19	\$66

# SPECIAL INTEREST

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## Tiny Melodies

### Ages 0-4

Tiny Melodies provides children and their caregivers the opportunity to explore and appreciate music in a fun and exciting way! Through singing, dancing and playing instruments, participants will learn basic musical and developmental concepts all while having fun and socializing with peers and caregivers. Caregivers are not only encouraged to attend, but to participate in the music-making process.

**One adult per child, no un-registered siblings please.**

**Instructor:** Developing Melodies

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Day:** Tuesdays

**Dates:** 9/9-10/14

**Time:** 5:00-5:45PM

**Fee:** \$75



## Let's Make Muffins

### Ages 5-11

Let's bake some fun this fall. Each week, we will bake a different muffin and learn how to follow a simple recipe.

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Day:** Wednesdays

**Dates:** 9/10-9/24

**Time:** 5:15-6:15PM

**Fee:** \$29

## Safe Sitter

### Ages 11-14

This class is a babysitting preparation program designed for boys and girls ages 11-14. Safe Sitter is a positive experience for each participant. Topics include babysitting as a business, success on the job, childcare essentials, safety for the sitter, injury management, preventing problem behavior and care of choking infant and child. Lunch will be provided. **Each class is taught by certified Safe Sitter Instructors.**

**Saturday, October 4:** Community Activity Center

**Saturday, November 1:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Saturday, January 24:** Community Activity Center

**Time:** 9:30AM-4:00PM

**Fee:** \$60



## Halloween STEM

### Ages 6-12

We have a whole new round of experiments to try this fall! Will the outcome be what you are expecting? Come try these experiments and more, plus discuss simple scientific explanations.

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Day:** Wednesdays

**Dates:** 10/15-10/29

**Time:** 6:00-7:00PM

**Fee:** \$29

## Halloween Slime

### Ages 6-12

Let's make booger slime, spider slime and more!  
We will make one Halloween-themed slime each week!

**Dress to get messy.**

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Day:** Mondays

**Dates:** 10/20 and 10/27

**Time:** 5:30-6:30PM

**Fee:** \$19

## Candy Sushi

### Ages 6-12

Trick or treat time is here! Create some treats that might trick your friends. We will make "sushi" from all kinds of sweets to fool the mind. Participants will take their sushi box home to share.

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Date:** Monday, October 6

**Time:** 6:00-7:15PM

**Fee:** \$19

## Munchie Monsters

### Ages 4-6

Let your child tame the inner munchie monster by letting them help create their very own snacks. This class will introduce some basic kitchen skills and food preparation.

**Parents, please be aware we will be using ingredients that may contain eggs, dairy, and may have been processed in plants that also process nuts.**

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Day:** Mondays

**Dates:** 11/3-11/17

**Time:** 5:30-6:30PM

**Fee:** \$29

## Baking Workshops

### Ages 8-14

Let's make some sweet treats. October will be all apples, November will be pumpkin spice, and December will be gingerbread. Sign up for one or for them all!

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Fee</u>
TH	6:00-7:15PM	10/1	\$19
TH	6:00-7:15PM	11/5	\$19
TH	6:00-7:15PM	12/3	\$19

## Holiday STEM

### Ages 6-12

We have a whole new round of experiments to try this holiday time! Will the outcome be what you are expecting? Come try these challenges with a holiday spin.

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Day:** Tuesdays

**Dates:** 12/2-12/16

**Time:** 6:00-7:00PM

**Fee:** \$29

## Holiday Cupcake Designs

### Ages 6-12

Learn to decorate cupcakes by turning simple items into holiday decorations. You will be taught two designs and then will design your own!

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Date:** Monday, December 22

**Time:** 6:00-7:15PM

**Fee:** \$19

## Snow Crafts

### Ages 4-8

Let's have some fun this winter and make some snow-themed crafts. These frosty projects are sure to be fun!

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Day:** Wednesdays

**Dates:** 1/7-1/14

**Time:** 5:30-6:15PM

**Fee:** \$19

## Snow Science

### Ages 6-12

Try your hand at these frosty experiments. Build a marshmallow snowman, create a snowstorm in a jar, make a snow volcano, instant snow, and more!

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Day:** Wednesdays

**Dates:** 1/7-1/14

**Time:** 6:30-7:30PM

**Fee:** \$19



# ART CLASSES

## Clay Pottery for Youth

### Ages 8-13

Come out and try something new to create bowls, vases or other decorative pieces of wheel thrown pottery. All works will be fired in our kiln and returned for painting or glazing.

**Instructor:** Bonnie Bernardi

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

Day	Time	Date	Fee
M	6:00-7:15PM	9/15-9/29	\$59
M	6:00-7:15PM	12/1-12/15	\$59



## Learning to Throw

### Ages 14+

Ever wanted to give the potters wheel a try? This class will teach you how to turn bowls, vases or other decorative pieces. All works will be fired in our kiln and returned for painting or glazing.

**Instructor:** Bonnie Bernardi

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Day:** Mondays

**Dates:** 10/6-10/20

**Time:** 6:00-7:30PM

**Fee:** \$69

## Mud to Masterpiece

### Ages 3-5 with an Adult

Parent and child will create bowls, animals and more in this hands-on class. We will use hand building clay which will be fired in the kiln, then returned for painting the second week. We will also try various forms of airdry clays the second week.

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Day:** Saturdays

**Dates:** 10/11-10/18

**Time:** 10:00-11:00AM

**Fee:** \$29

## Cartooning Workshop

### Ages 7-12

Learn cartooning secrets to create action figures and characters! Students will be taught the basics to get them started in creative cartooning.

**Instructor:** Bonnie Bernardi

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Date:** Saturday, November 1

**Time:** 10:00-11:15AM

**Fee:** \$25



## Fall Clay Class

**Ages 6-15**

Fall means changing leaves and pumpkin patches! Come celebrate the changing weather with a fall themed clay class. We will make items including pumpkins.

**Students will need to attend all three classes.**

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Day:** Saturdays

**Date:** 9/20-10/4

**Time:** 10:30-11:30AM

**Fee:** \$39

## Paint a Pumpkin

**Ages 6-15**

We supply the ceramic pumpkin, you bring the creativity! Paint a pumpkin to match your fall decor. Pumpkins will be ready to pick-up on Saturday, September 27.

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Date:** Saturday, September 20

**Time:** 12:00-1:00PM

**Fee:** \$19



## Family Craft Fun – Halloween

**Ages 4-12 with an Adult**

You will be introduced to some fun Halloween-themed crafts. Adult and child will work together to complete projects with their own creativity!

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Date:** Saturday, October 4

**Time:** 12:00-1:00PM

**Fee:** \$24

## Ornaments & Gifts Clay Class

**Ages 6-15**

Oh Christmas Tree! Come make a few clay ornaments and have time to create a gift or two in this clay class.

**Students will need to attend all three classes.**

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Day:** Saturdays

**Date:** 11/8-11/22

**Time:** 12:00-1:00PM

**Fee:** \$39



## Family Craft Fun – Thanksgiving

**Ages 4-12 with an Adult**

You will be introduced to some fun Thanksgiving-themed crafts. Adult and child will work together to complete projects with their own creativity!

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Date:** Saturday, November 15

**Time:** 1:30-2:30PM

**Fee:** \$24

## Family Craft Fun – Christmas

**Ages 4-12 with an Adult**

You will be introduced to some fun Christmas-themed crafts. Adult and child will work together to complete projects with their own creativity!

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Date:** Saturday, December 6

**Time:** 10:00-11:00AM

**Fee:** \$24



### Give a Little Kindness: Bee-Inspired Wall Sign

**Ages 6-10**

Let's spread some kindness—one handmade gift at a time! In this creative and meaningful class, kids will make a wooden "Bee Kind" sign to give away to someone who needs a smile—then take home a second kit to decorate for themselves. We'll talk about what it means to be kind, get hands-on with paint and imagination, and remind kids that small acts of giving can make a big impact.

**Instructor:** Kim McCormick - IOAA

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Date:** Thursday, September 25

**Time:** 6:00-7:30PM

**Fee:** \$29



### Give a Little Joy: Sunrise & Sunset Puzzle Frames

**Ages 6-10**

Watch your child's creativity rise and shine in this colorful giving-centered class! Kids will paint and assemble stunning layered wooden signs inspired by the beauty of sunrise and sunset. One is gifted to brighten someone else's day—one they'll take home as a reminder of their own light.

**Instructor:** Kim McCormick - IOAA

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Date:** Thursday, October 16

**Time:** 6:00-7:30PM

**Fee:** \$29



### Give a Little Magic: Christmas Tree Keepsake

**Ages 6-10**

Create a festive keepsake and spread holiday cheer in this hands-on, heartwarming art class! Kids will paint and decorate a wooden Christmas tree complete with garland, ornaments, and a stand. One tree is gifted to someone in need of some extra joy, while the other goes home as a treasured decoration and reminder of how much a small act of giving matters. This class encourages creativity, compassion, and connection.

**Instructor:** Kim McCormick - IOAA

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Date:** Saturday, December 6

**Time:** 10:00-11:30AM

**Fee:** \$29



### Give a Little Sunshine: Sun & Rainbow Mosaic Puzzle

**Ages 6-10**

Kids will paint and assemble a cheerful layered wood design featuring a sun and rainbow—symbols of hope, joy, and brighter days ahead. With two identical pieces in each kit, one will go home and the other will be gifted to someone who could use a little extra light. It's art with a purpose, helping kids understand how creativity can be a powerful way to care for others.

**Instructor:** Kim McCormick - IOAA

**Location:** Lincoln Leisure Center

**Date:** Saturday, January 10

**Time:** 10:00-11:30AM

**Fee:** \$29





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# OLDER ADULTS (55+)



**Please Note:** You do NOT have to be a Bloomington Resident to participate in Adult Center programs or Adult Trips!

## Miller Park Adult Center

For Adults 55+ (*must be able to function independently*)

**Miller Park Pavilion, Lower Level**

Located within Miller Park in the lower level of the Miller Park Pavilion, the purpose of the Miller Park Adult Center is to serve the needs and interests of older adults ages 55 and older. The Center is an accessible facility featuring billiards, game tables, a library, areas for socializing, T.V., computer area, and card groups. Donuts (Wednesdays and Fridays) and Hot Drinks (coffee, tea, and hot chocolate) are also available.

We welcome and encourage all older adults to participate in the many programs and services mentioned in our brochure. The Center offers a wide variety of activities, socialization, community information, and recreational opportunities. While everything at the Center is free, there is some programming that will require pre-registration and a fee.

For more information or to get involved, call the Center at (309) 434-2255 or call our main office at (309) 434-2260. **Our monthly activity calendar is available to view online.**

### **Hours of Operation:**

**Tuesday-Friday: 9:00AM-2:00PM**

Please note that the Miller Park Adult Center will be closed on recognized City of Bloomington Holidays. The Center could also close due to weather, close early due to low attendance, or for unforeseen events.

### **Miller Park Adult Center will be closed on the following days:**

November 11, November 27-28, December 24-26, December 31-January 1



**MAIN OFFICE (309) 434-2260**

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OLDER ADULTS (55+)

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# Experiences at the Miller Park Adult Center

## Tech HELP!

### Wednesdays and Fridays

Rachael or Evan are available daily during open hours to answer questions and assist with your cell phone, laptop, tablet, Kindle, or any other electronic device. We will do our best to assist or advise you of some options.

## Lending Library

Books are available for check out. Current and classics are available in our Lending Library which changes every other month and are provided by the Bloomington Public Library. Feel free to also browse our own book selection of donated books to check out.

## Blood Pressure & Blood Oxygen Screening

Stay in good health and get your blood pressure or blood oxygen checked for free. Just ask the Center staff to assist you.

## Billiards

Grab your cue sticks and a friend to play a friendly round of pool.

## Crafty Companions

### Wednesdays: 9:00AM-1:00PM

Welcoming all kinds of crafters! Bring your own supplies to create your own crafts while having fun socializing with others.

## Wise Moves

### Tuesdays and Fridays: 9:15-10:00AM

Start your day off on the right foot. We will do some low impact stretches and gentle movements to keep your body moving. You will move at your own comfortable pace. This is to keep the body moving and limber.

## Card Groups at the Center

Everyone is welcome! Weekly games give older adults an opportunity to meet new friends, socialize, and brush up on skills. Bring a new game group to the Center!

- **Euchre:** Every Tuesday at 10:00AM
- **Hand & Foot:** Every Wednesday and Friday at 9:30AM
- **Phase 10:** Every Thursday at 9:30AM
- **Five Crown:** Every Friday at 9:30AM
- **Bridge, Bunco, Dominoes, and any other games are welcome any day!**

## Coffee Chit Chat

### Thursdays: 9:00AM

Come on out to the center to enjoy some hot coffee, socialization, and great friendships. Discuss the topics of the day or whatever is on your mind.

## Grocery Day

No one is immune to the soaring prices at the grocery store! Come out to the Adult Center to pick up a variety of perishable items, generously provided by our friends at Midwest Food Bank. **No registration is needed.**

Day	Time	Date	Fee
TH	9:15AM	9/18	FREE
TH	9:15AM	10/16	FREE
TH	9:15AM	11/13	FREE
TH	9:15AM	12/18	FREE

## Puzzle Solvers

### Thursdays: 12:30PM

Come out and put together some puzzles or work on existing ones with the Center staff. Puzzles are also available for check out.

## Movie Matinees

### 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays: 11:45AM

Come to the Center and let's relax with an excellent movie selection. We will be watching movies that range from the classics to new releases. Enjoy some popcorn and beverages. See the monthly calendar for titles of movies.



# Experiences at the Miller Park Adult Center

## Grocery Bingo

### Ages 55+

Everyone loves to play grocery bingo! Play your cards to try and win fresh produce, canned goods, or other prizes. Have some fun, make some friends and expect to go home a winner at least a couple times over!

Day	Time	Date	Fee
TH	1:00-2:00PM	10/2	\$4
TH	1:00-2:00PM	11/6	\$4
TH	1:00-2:00PM	12/4	\$4
TH	1:00-2:00PM	1/15	\$4



## Retro Tunes: Musical Bingo Presented by Bloomington Public Library **FREE**

### Ages 55+

Join Bloomington Public Library staff for Retro Tunes: Musical Bingo. This isn't your usual game of bingo! This is a game of musical bingo; a fun game where participants listen to short snippets of songs and mark off the corresponding titles on their bingo cards, hoping to be the first to get a winning pattern and shout out "Bingo!" and win a prize. **This is a FREE event, however advanced registration is required!**

**Date:** Wednesday, September 24

**Time:** 10:30AM-12:00PM

**Fee:** FREE

## Holiday Hits: Musical Bingo Presented by Bloomington Public Library **FREE**

### Ages 55+

Happy Holidays! Join Bloomington Public Library staff for Holiday Hits: Musical Bingo. Musical bingo is a fun game where participants will listen to short snippets of songs and mark off the corresponding titles on their bingo cards. Expect to hear a variety of merry and festive hits! **This is a FREE event, however advanced registration is required!**

**Date:** Tuesday, December 16

**Time:** 10:30AM-12:00PM

**Fee:** FREE

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## BBQ Bingo

### Ages 55+

Join us for some BBQ and Bingo fun! We'll be serving up a mouth-watering lunch with some BBQ pulled pork, lots of fixings, and delicious dessert. If that wasn't enough, we'll also be playing Bingo for a variety of prizes.

**Date:** Tuesday, September 30

**Time:** 11:30AM-1:30PM

**Fee:** \$15

## Campfire Weenie Roast

### Ages 55+

Come out and enjoy some social time at Hike Haven. The campfire will be primed for roasting hotdogs and s'mores. We'll look forward to socializing with each other while also hopefully enjoying the nice, beautiful autumn weather.

**Location:** Hike Haven

**Date:** Thursday, October 23

**Time:** 11:30AM-1:30PM

**Fee:** \$15

## Leftover Halloween Candy Potluck Bingo

### Ages 55+

Did you have less trick-or-treaters than expected? Do you have lots of leftover Halloween candy that you don't trust yourself not to eat? Or did your variety pack of candy just not offer you the variety that you wanted? Bring it out to our Leftover Halloween Candy Potluck Bingo! We'll have a variety of prizes (not just candy). Players who bring and contribute leftover Halloween candy to the potluck will receive one extra bingo card to play.

**Date:** Tuesday, November 4

**Time:** 1:00-2:00PM

**Fee:** \$8

## Game Show Fun!

### Ages 55+

We're planning to have lots of fun with this one! Sign up and become a lucky contestant in a variety of your favorite classic game shows. We'll be playing games from the Price is Right, Family Feud, Let's Make a Deal, etc. Your host will ensure you have fun while taking home a prize or two. **Festivities will include a light lunch.**

**Date:** Friday, November 14

**Time:** 11:30AM-1:30PM

**Fee:** \$15

## Holiday Trivia

### Ages 55+

Time to put on those thinking caps and get that brain going! We'll have a variety of categories to test your knowledge on everything holiday. Whether the answers come to you right away or not, you'll surely remember the holiday nostalgia that comes with today's trivia.

**Light snacks will be served.**

**Date:** Tuesday, December 2

**Time:** 10:00-11:30AM

**Fee:** \$5



## Puzzle Contest

### Ages 55+

Teams of two will all be given the same puzzle to complete at their table. The first team to finish their puzzle will win the grand prize and can call themselves the Puzzle Masters of Miller Park! Sign up with a partner or be assigned one on-site.

**Light snacks will be served.**

**Date:** Tuesday, January 13

**Time:** 10:00AM-12:00PM

**Fee:** \$5 per person



## Older Adult Trips

### Ages 55+

**Bloomington residents and Non-Bloomington residents are welcome!**

All attendees must be able to function independently.

All trips will depart from the Lincoln Leisure Center parking lot (1206 S. Lee St.).  
Return times listed are approximate.

Refunds will not be given on cancellations made less than five days before the scheduled trip unless the spot can be filled. For trips which require advanced reservations for the purchase of tickets, refunds will not be given to cancellations made after the specific trip's registration deadline unless the spot can be filled.

### Let's Hit the Road – Breakfast Edition

Take a little road trip and enjoy a nice breakfast with the company of others. Our out-of-town destination will be a surprise, but expect to have a good time! Our trip may also include a stop or two as we head back home.

**Program fee does not include the meal or gratuity.**

Date	Time	Fee
Wednesday, October 1	8:15AM-12:00PM	\$15
Wednesday, November 5	8:15AM-12:00PM	\$15
Wednesday, January 14	8:15AM-12:00PM	\$15

### Let's Hit the Road – Lunch Edition

Enjoy a little day trip and lunch! Even though the destination (usually between 45-60 minutes away) is a surprise, there will be good company, delicious food, and fun! There could be a little walking around, shopping, sightseeing, and maybe even some ice cream involved after lunch. **Program fee does not include the meal or gratuity.** Return times listed are best approximations.

Date	Time	Fee
Wednesday, November 19	10:15AM-4:00PM	\$15
Wednesday, January 21	10:15AM-4:00PM	\$15



## Farm Days

Join us for the next interesting and informative installment of Farm Days; where we'll hit the road to tour a Central Illinois farm. These are not your typical farms though, so check out the individual details for each of these exciting new adventures! Please note that these all include walking tours, most of which will be outside on uneven terrain.

### Prairie Fruit Farms

Prairie Fruit Farms & Creamery is a perennial paradise of goat pastures, organic fruit orchards, and restored prairies. Prairie Fruit Farms uses a community-centered approach to agriculture and hospitality with a commitment to authentic experiences to foster a greater appreciation of local food and craftsmanship. It is a must-see for those wanting to connect with nature and animals on a working farm. Our group tour (goats included!) will also include a sampling of cheeses produced directly at the farmstead.

**Destination:** Prairie Fruit Farms (Urbana)

**Date:** Friday, September 5 (rescheduled from 6/13)

**Time:** 12:00-3:30PM

**Fee:** \$25



### Triple M Farm - Mariah's Mums & More

Take a trip and discover one of Central Illinois' hidden treasures. Blooming with life, Mariah's Mums & More is home to vibrant seasonal produce to go along with the largest variety of fall mums grown in one place in the state. We'll enjoy a tour and have the opportunity to partake in a "pick-your-own" experience. We will plan to stop for a quick bite to eat for lunch on our way back home. **Please note that purchases made on site, as well as lunch, will be at an additional cost and not included in the registration fee.**

**Destination:** Triple M Farm - Mariah's Mums & More (Clinton)

**Date:** Friday, October 3

**Time:** 9:15AM-1:45PM

**Fee:** \$20

## The Barn III – Conklin Dinner Theater

We're heading to The Barn III in Goodfield for a Sunday lunch matinee of "Arsenic and Old Lace". Expect an uproarious farce with cases of mistaken identity, murder, and intrigue where we all might learn that there is nothing more poisonous than family! **Fee includes transportation, full meal and drinks, and gratuity.**

**Date:** Sunday, October 5

**Time:** 11:00AM-4:15PM

**Fee:** \$79



## The Scott Miller Trip

Let's welcome a special guest on our trip! WJBC's Scott Miller will be spending the day with us as we venture out of town to several surprise destinations, including lunch.

**Date:** Tuesday, October 7

**Time:** 10:30AM-4:00PM

**Fee:** \$15



## Apples & Pumpkins!

It's an annual tradition! Head off to enjoy a beautiful autumn day apple picking and pumpkin patching! This year, we'll head to Curtis Orchard & Pumpkin Patch in Champaign. Plans for the day will also include visiting another pumpkin patch, having lunch, and ice cream (obviously)! **Fee does not include any apples, pumpkins, or other fall goodies that one might pick up throughout the day.**

**Date:** Wednesday, October 15

**Time:** 8:30AM-4:00PM

**Fee:** \$15

## The Thrifty Trip

Back again by popular demand! This is the trip that is all about thrift shops as we travel around Central Illinois, visiting several stores along the way. We will enjoy each other's company and hopefully find some can't beat deals! All this shopping could wear one out, so we'll make sure to stop for lunch along the way! Please note that the trip route will differ from previous Thrifty Trip's. **Program fee does not include any meals or gratuity.**

**Location:** Multiple locations throughout Central Illinois

**Date:** Friday, November 7

**Time:** 9:30AM-5:00PM

**Fee:** \$15

## Starved Rock – OKTOBERFEST!!!

Probst! A celebration of Germany! Food, beer, wine and music. Join the fun! Enjoy a buffet of German food and sample some German beer and wine while listening to authentic German music by the Duseldorfers.

**Location:** Starved Rock Lodge

**Date:** Tuesday, October 21

**Time:** 10:30AM-3:30PM

**\*Fee:** \$65/\$80

**\*The \$65 fee includes the German food buffet only.**

**\*The \$80 fee includes buffet, beer, and/or wine sampling.**



## Starved Rock – Ludy and his Lady Melodies of America

A one-of-a-kind show featuring songs from the cities and sites across the US. Ludy and his Lady, Nicole, perform your favorite songs from legendary artists from the past eleven decades. From New York to San Francisco and every stop in between PLUS your favorite patriotic songs. Audiences rave that it's an awesome musical celebration of America fitting for the patriot in us all! And as always, the renowned Starved Rock Lodge hot lunch buffet is included.

**Location:** Starved Rock Lodge

**Date:** Tuesday, November 11

**Time:** 10:00AM-4:15PM

**Fee:** \$88

## Starved Rock – Remembering Red A Tribute to Red Skelton

Enjoy a tribute to the legendary comedian, Red Skelton. Brian Hoffman's comedic delivery is very similar in style to the comedy genius. His career of impersonating Red has allowed him to perform in Las Vegas and across the country, entertaining baby boomers show after show. Audiences can expect to take a step back in time and forget that they are not watching the "real" Red Skelton.



**Location:** Starved Rock Lodge

**Date:** Monday, November 17

**Time:** 10:00AM-4:15PM

**Fee:** \$88

## Lunch and Holiday Shopping

We're heading out of town to get an early start on some holiday shopping. We'll start with an early lunch and then head to Market Place Mall in Champaign. We prefer you do not "shop 'til you drop", so please wear comfortable shoes and plan to enjoy a nice day of shopping.

**Program fee includes transportation only.**

**Date:** Wednesday, December 3

**Time:** 10:15AM-4:45PM

**Fee:** \$15

## Harmony Dinner Theater – Holiday Inn

Harmony Theater (formerly Myers Dinner Theater) has been entertaining groups for over 25 years. Located in quaint Hillsboro, Indiana, patrons can expect top-caliber entertainment while enjoying delicious home-cooked food. Based on the classic film, "Holiday Inn" is a joyous musical featuring thrilling dance numbers, laugh-out-loud comedy and a parade of hit Irving Berlin songs. This holiday romance is sure to delight!

**Location:** Harmony Dinner Theater

**Date:** Wednesday, December 10

**Time:** 9:00AM-5:00PM

**Fee:** \$73



### Bakery Bonanza

How big is your sweet tooth? In need of a middle of the week sugar rush? Join us for a sugary journey up, down, and around Central Illinois as we stop at several highly reviewed bakeries throughout the day. Sweet temptations will include donuts, muffins, cinnamon rolls, scones, cookies, coffee...you name it, we'll find it! Order as little or as much as you want! **Note:** we may stop at a few places we've visited in prior Bakery Bonanza trips.

**Date:** Friday, December 12  
**Time:** 7:45AM-3:30PM  
**Fee:** \$15



### An Afternoon in Clinton

We will begin our day feeling fancy while enjoying an elegant tea-room lunch at LaTeaDa. After lunch we will head across town and embark on a tour of the beautiful C.H. Moore Homestead. This historic, Victorian-era mansion will be all decorated for Christmas and quite inviting on this winter's day. **Program fee includes transportation and admission into the C.H. Moore Homestead. It does not include the cost of lunch at LaTeaDa.**

**Date:** Wednesday, December 17  
**Time:** 10:30AM-4:00PM  
**Fee:** \$25



### Celebration of Lights

Enjoy a trip to see one of Central Illinois' largest and brightest Christmas Lighting displays, LaSalle's Celebration of Lights. We'll head up in the afternoon to grab a late lunch and then explore around town for a bit before heading to Rotary Park to see the Christmas lights right at nightfall. This Winter Wonderland will be a great experience with Christmas right around the corner and might even make you feel like a kid again! **Program fee does not include the meal or gratuity.**

**Date:** Monday, December 22  
**Time:** 12:30-6:45PM  
**Fee:** \$18



### Review/Preview Party

Join us at the Miller Park Adult Center as we recap all of our 2025 trips, programs, and adventures. We'll hand out some "awards", while discussing our favorites (and maybe some not-so-favorite's) from the past year **while enjoying some lunch, dessert, and drinks.** Bring some ideas and recommendations for what you'd like to see for future trips as this will be your chance to offer up some suggestions for the upcoming 2026 season!

**Date:** Wednesday, January 7  
**Time:** 11:30AM-2:00PM  
**Fee:** \$10

### Bookworm Trip

Book lovers unite! Let us take you to three out-of-area used book stores where who knows what you'll find! Stock up on some new-to-you reading material for the upcoming chilly winter months. We will also stop for a quick bite to eat halfway through our journey. **Program fee does not include the meal or gratuity.**

**Date:** Friday, January 9  
**Time:** 9:15AM-3:45PM  
**Fee:** \$15



# GOLF COURSES

## PRAIRIE VISTA GOLF COURSE

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**4 Star Rating by Golf Digest in its  
2023 "Great Places to Play!"**

Prairie Vista Golf Course is a Packard-designed course and one of the most challenging and unique in the Midwest. Two-level greens and fairways, lakes and rolling hills, offer golfers the opportunity to play an ambitious game on a great course. PVG has a full-service pro-shop open year round. For reservations or information, call (309) 434-2217.

## HIGHLAND PARK GOLF COURSE

1613 S. Main St.  
Bloomington, IL 61701  
(309) 434-2200  
BloomingtonGolf.org

**3 Star Rating by Golf Digest in its  
2023 "Great Places to Play!"**

Highland Park, located on South Main Street, has numerous challenges on its 5,800 yard-long course including creek crossings, three lakes, well-placed sand traps, and tree-lined fairways. The Pro Shop has a full line of golf accessories. For reservations or information, call (309) 434-2200.

## the Den at FOX CREEK

3002 Fox Creek Rd  
Bloomington, IL 61705  
(309) 434-2300  
BloomingtonGolf.org

**4 1/2 Star Rating by Golf Digest in its  
2023 "Great Places to Play!"**  
**Home of IHSA Large School Finals**

One of only three Arnold Palmer-Signature courses in the state, this is a must on your list of courses to play! The Den at Fox Creek is an 18-hole, 6,930 yard, par 72 championship course with bent grass tees, greens, and fairways. The design is similar to a links-style course with extensive earth mounding, undulating fairways, and wide, generous landing areas from all tees. The fairways are guarded with 131 traps and numerous pot bunkers. Water comes into play on seven holes. The course sports several dog-legs and double dog-leg holes with many risk/reward opportunities for the avid golfer. The practice area consists of 1.5 acres of bent grass tees, chipping green, sand trap chipping area, and a practice fairway sand bunker.

### Kids Play Free Program

Every day of the week after 2:00PM at all three courses, kids (*ages 17 & under*) play free with a paying adult. Take advantage of this great opportunity to spend quality time together while introducing your child to the game at no cost to the child.

No family relationship is necessary. One child per adult. Adult must pay a regularly-priced greens fee.

### Mission Impossible

**Saturday, October 4**  
**The Den at Fox Creek**  
**\$70 per person (includes golf, cart, lunch and prizes)**

Play The Den as hard as it can play. Back tees, the hardest pin placements and ultra fast greens. This is a team event and the format is a four-person scramble.

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### THE PUTTING ZOO

A reminder that the Putting Zoo will close for the season on September 1!

#### Admission Rates

- Youth (ages 3-12): \$7.00
  - Adult (ages 13-59): \$9.00
  - Senior Citizen (ages 60+): \$7.00
  - Military/College Student with ID: \$7.00
  - Children (2 & under): FREE
- Fees are subject to change.

#### Group Rates

Advanced registration required, restrictions apply. Call (309) 434-2250.

#### Hours

9:30AM-4:30PM  
Open every day except Thanksgiving and Christmas.

### Daily Activities

Check our website for daily activities throughout the year, including scheduled animal feedings, up-close animal encounters, and more!

#### River Otter Presentation

**FREE with Zoo admission!**  
Daily at 11:00AM and 2:30PM  
Zookeepers will chat with guests, answer questions, and feed the river otters.



**Contact the Zoo to learn about Tortoise and Anteater Feeding experiences.**

Tortoise Feedings are at 11:30AM.  
Anteater Feedings are at 3:00PM.

*Gift certificates are available!*

MILLER PARK ZOO

# Miller Park Zoo Fall Events

## Senior Tours

Join us for an early morning stroll through the Zoo. You will be guided by a trained guide who will feature two different animals.

**Reservations are not required.**

Day	Time	Date	Fee
W	8:30-9:30AM	9/10	MPZS Members: FREE; Nonmembers: \$5
W	8:30-9:30AM	10/8	MPZS Members: FREE; Nonmembers: \$5
W	8:30-9:30AM	11/12	MPZS Members: FREE; Nonmembers: \$5
W	8:30-9:30AM	12/10	MPZS Members: FREE; Nonmembers: \$5



## Arts for Conservation

Miller Park Zoo will be hosting our annual arts and crafts fair.

**If you are a local artisan or crafter and would like to attend this event as a vendor or need more information, please reach out to Silvia Schuh at [sschuh@cityblm.org](mailto:sschuh@cityblm.org).** All types of art vendors and crafters are encouraged to register. **There is a registration fee of \$50 per booth.**

**Registration for this event closes on September 8.**

**Date:** Saturday, September 13

**Time:** 10:00AM-4:00PM

**Fee:** Free with Zoo admission

## Dia de las Monarcas (Day of the Monarchs)

Celebrate the importance of Monarch Conservation! Learn about the Monarch Tag and Release program at Miller Park Zoo with a demonstration, as well as the importance of Monarchs to the Latino communities of the world. There will be Latino music, crafts, dance tutorials, and face painting. All activities are free with admission.

If you would like to participate as a guest vendor, please contact Silvia Schuh at [sschuh@cityblm.org](mailto:sschuh@cityblm.org).

**Date:** Saturday, October 11

**Time:** 12:00-2:00PM

**Fee:** Free with Zoo admission

## Haunted Twilight Mini Golf

Join us for the final night of Twilight Mini Golf for the year. It will be a fun night with glow-in-the-dark golf balls and festive Halloween decorations! To keep the line moving, we will offer two 9-course games. Costumes are highly encouraged. **The last tee time will be at 8:15PM.**

**Date:** Saturday, October 4

**Time:** 7:00-9:00PM

**Fee:** \$7/person



## Howlabaloo at the Zoo

It's Halloween time! Get into the spirit at Miller Park Zoo's annual Halloween party! The evening may be a little eerie, but still a lot of fun for all ages. Local organizations and businesses will host booths with crafts, games, and face painting. Hayride tickets will also be available for \$4/person (weather permitting).

Day	Time	Date	Fee
SA	5:00-8:00PM	10/25	MPZS Members: \$5; Nonmembers: \$10
SU	12:00-3:00PM	10/26	MPZS Members: FREE; Nonmembers: Regular Zoo admission



## Breakfast with Santa

Enjoy a continental-style breakfast! There will be a chance to meet with Santa himself and take pictures with him and Mrs. Claus. Enjoy an animal encounter and an early morning stroll through the Zoo after breakfast. Spots for this event fill up fast, so don't delay! **All children must be accompanied by an adult.**

**All attendees must purchase a ticket.**

**Location:** Miller Park Pavilion

**Date:** Saturday, December 6

**Time:** 8:30AM and 10:00AM

**Fee:** MPZS Members: \$20; Nonmembers: \$25



## WildLights

*Two weekends!*

Need help getting into the Holiday Season? Join us for an evening walk through the Zoo all decked out with lights and decorations for the Holiday. There will fun activities for the kids (kids at heart too!) and a craft. Enjoy some hot chocolate and an opportunity to purchase a \$3 kit to make your own s'more! **For more information, please email Silvia Schuh at [sschuh@cityblm.org](mailto:sschuh@cityblm.org) or call (309) 434-2826.**

Day	Time	Date	Fee
F	5:00-8:00PM	12/12	MPZS Members: \$5; Nonmembers: \$10
SA	5:00-8:00PM	12/13	MPZS Members: \$5; Nonmembers: \$10
F	5:00-8:00PM	12/19	MPZS Members: \$5; Nonmembers: \$10
SA	5:00-8:00PM	12/20	MPZS Members: \$5; Nonmembers: \$10

## WildLights Sensory-Friendly Night

Join us for an evening walk through the Zoo as it is all decked out for the holidays. This event is an opportunity to enjoy the Zoo and all the lights in a quiet setting. Enjoy some hot chocolate and an opportunity to purchase a \$3 kit to make a s'more! This event is for all ages to enjoy! The price for this event is \$8. To keep this event sensory-friendly, we are offering a limited number of spots, so ticket purchase is required.

**For more information, please email Silvia Schuh at [sschuh@cityblm.org](mailto:sschuh@cityblm.org) or call (309) 434-2826.**

**Date:** Thursday, December 11

**Time:** 5:00-8:00PM

**Fee:** \$8

# Miller Park Zoo Educational Programs

## Animal Crackers

### Ages 3-5 with an Adult

Animal Crackers is a Miller Park Zoo classic! Join us once each month for a story, animal encounter, craft, and a snack. Our topic is always a surprise; we have a great time guessing which animal will visit! One adult accompanies each child to class but does not pay an additional registration fee. Registration fee includes admission to the Zoo for the participating child and one adult on the day of class. **Children must be at least three years old to participate.**

**\*Unregistered siblings of any age may not attend.\***

**Classes are identical in each session, please register for only one class each month.**

Day	Time	Date	Fee
F	10:00-11:00AM	9/26	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child
F	1:00-2:00PM	9/26	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child
F	5:00-6:00PM	9/26	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child
SA	9:00-10:00AM	9/27	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child
SA	10:30-11:30AM	9/27	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child
SA	1:00-2:00PM	9/27	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child
F	10:00-11:00AM	10/24	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child
F	1:00-2:00PM	10/24	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child
F	5:00-6:00PM	10/24	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child
SA	9:00-10:00AM	10/25	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child
SA	10:30-11:30AM	10/25	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child
SA	1:00-2:00PM	10/25	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child



## Art of Animals: Scary Sketches

### Ages 8-17

Science meets art in this creative class. Instructor Jill Wallace, artist and naturalist, will guide you through the process of art journaling. The October edition... scary sketches! You will visit exhibits in the Zoo, then, you'll bring your journal back to the classroom and use your notes to create realistic drawings to take home. You will even get to meet some creepy, crawling creatures up close! Classes will take place at Miller Park Zoo. All art materials and a snack will be provided.

Ages	Day	Time	Date	Fee
8-11	M	9:00AM-12:00PM	10/13	MPZS Members: \$30/person; Nonmembers: \$35/person
11-17	M	1:00-4:00PM	10/13	MPZS Members: \$30/person; Nonmembers: \$35/person

## Zoo Explorers

### Ages 6-11

Zoo Explorers is a terrific 2-hour adventure that includes animal encounters, classroom learning, and hands-on experiences out in the Zoo.

**Please sign up for only one class; curriculum will be the same for both morning and afternoon sessions.**

Class	Day	Time	Date	Fee
Animal Defenses	M	9:00-11:00AM	9/1	MPZS Members: \$20/person; Nonmembers: \$30/person
Animal Defenses	M	1:00-3:00PM	9/1	MPZS Members: \$20/person; Nonmembers: \$30/person
Herbivores	M	9:00-11:00AM	1/19	MPZS Members: \$20/person; Nonmembers: \$30/person
Herbivores	M	1:00-3:00PM	1/19	MPZS Members: \$20/person; Nonmembers: \$30/person

## Winter Wilds Day Camp: Night and Day

### Ages 6-11

At this camp, we will explore the lives of diurnal animals to see the special abilities they need for being active in daytime. Then, we'll flip the switch and investigate nocturnal animals' nighttime powers! Along the way, we'll meet some Zoo animals, make a craft, and enjoy fun, educational activities. A snack will be provided. An animal video will be played during lunch between morning and afternoon activities.

**Please bring a sack lunch and wear play clothes.**

**Curriculum is identical for each day; please register for only one session.**

Ages	Day	Time	Date	Fee
6-8	M	9:00AM-3:00PM	12/29	MPZS Members: \$60/person; Nonmembers: \$70/person
9-11	T	9:00AM-3:00PM	12/30	MPZS Members: \$60/person; Nonmembers: \$70/person
6-11	W	9:00AM-3:00PM	12/31	MPZS Members: \$60/person; Nonmembers: \$70/person

## Animal Encounter Field Trips

This is an opportunity to meet three of the zoo's residents while learning about their natural history and daily life at the zoo. Students will see the animals at close range and have the opportunity for hands-on interaction. We can focus on a particular theme or simply have a "show & tell". Programs last 45-60 minutes for 1st-12th graders, after which you'll visit the zoo at your own pace. (Preschool-kindergarten programs last 30-45 minutes).

The fee for a program at the zoo is \$9.00 per person for students and adult chaperones. \$150 minimum.

## ZooToYou!

**Let us bring our animals to YOUR classroom!**

We can bring our animal encounter program to you! Choose a topic that fits your curriculum or we can just "show & tell"! Maximum group size is 40 students, but individual accommodations can be made depending on location. Also available to community groups, senior facilities, and libraries in McLean and adjacent counties. ZooToYou prices vary and are dependent upon facility location.

**Contact Julia for prices, information, and reservations at [jbenzel@cityblm.org](mailto:jbenzel@cityblm.org) or (309)434-2256.**



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# BLOOMINGTON ICE CENTER



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## Open Skate Schedule



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THE OPEN SKATE  
SCHEDULE.

### Weekday Open Skate

Mondays-Fridays 11:30AM-1:00PM

### Friday Night Open Skate

**Fridays:** 6:30-8:00PM (No Open Skates on 9/19, 10/10, 10/17, 10/24, 11/7, or 11/14. Skate with the Redbirds on these nights following their 7:00PM games)

**Saturdays:** 12:30-2:00PM

**Sundays:** 2:30-4:00PM (9/7: 2:30-3:30PM)

### Open Skate Fees

Admission: \$7; Skate Rental: \$3; Skate Aids: \$5

### Group Admission Rates

(not available during special promotions or with discounted coupons)

Must pay all at once with one form of payment; does not include skate rental

**10-24 people:** \$6 admission per person

**25+ people:** \$5 admission per person

Visit [BloomingtonIceCenter.com](http://BloomingtonIceCenter.com) for additional info

### The Coolest Group Outings!

Whether you bring your friends, family, organization or club, the Bloomington Ice Center is perfect. Call us at 434-2875 for additional information.

### Private Ice Rentals

(Skating, Broomball, or Hockey)

Field Trips, Youth Groups, Day Cares, Church Groups, Corporate Team Building, etc. Looking for a different activity for your group? Why not try something on the ice! Come have a private skating party where only your group is skating on the ice. Can't skate? No worries! We also offer broomball private rentals! We supply the equipment and ice. You supply the private group for fun! Please call (309) 434-2875 for more information, including pricing and scheduling. You can also check out our website at [BloomingtonIceCenter.com](http://BloomingtonIceCenter.com).

### The Coolest and the Most Educational Field Trips!

How does the ice stay frozen? What does the Zamboni do? The Bloomington Ice Center is the perfect place for "Edutainment"! Tour the Zamboni room where you can learn the history of the Zamboni and the science and physics of making ice. Then go out and skate or play broomball.

For more information or to reserve your field trip, call (309) 434-2875. We can accommodate a classroom or a whole school. Call for group rates.

## The Coolest Birthday Parties in Town!

Celebrate your special day at Bloomington Ice Center! We celebrate birthdays of all ages. Our Bloomington Ice Center Birthday Party Package includes open skate admission, skate rental, 2-hour open air personalized table space, your choice of two separate beverage options, ice cream cups, and the guest of honor receives a FREE skating pass for future use. Guest may bring in any additional outside decorations and food!

Call (309) 434-2875 today for more information regarding open dates and details about our birthday package. All birthday parties require advance reservations and a non-refundable \$75 deposit.

### \$15/person - Personalized Table Space for 2 hours

Admission and skate rental

Includes: Paper plates, napkins, cups & utensils

- Beverages for each skater
- Ice cream dessert cup for each skater
- Reserved table space for guests
- A return skating pass for the guest of honor!

### Important Party Information:

- An 8-person minimum is required for each party.
- We book parties during open skate times ONLY.
- A \$75 non-refundable deposit is required to book the party.
- We are not able to book a party if it is less than 2 weeks away.
- Booked parties are welcome to bring in outside decorations and additional food.

Please call (309) 434-2875 for more information or to book a party!

## MEET THE BIC TEAM!



Michael Hernbrott (left)  
Lindsay Danner (middle)  
Brian Ludy (right)

## Special Themed Open Skates

### Return to the Rink

**Saturday, September 6, 3:15-4:45PM**

Excitement is in the air as fall skating programs are in motion! The Bloomington Ice Center is excited to start its 19th year of Fall/Winter hockey and figure skating. New and returning skaters are welcome to join us for an afternoon of ice-skating fun! FREE open skate admission and skate rental for all who attend! Concessions for purchase. On-ice games, mini-lessons, and skating demonstrations! To pre-register for this event, you must have an account with Bloomington Parks & Recreation.

### Halloween Skate Fest

**Sunday, October 26, 2:30-4:00PM**

Join us for some Halloween fun while skating with family and friends! This chilling event features Halloween-themed music, treats, and a special skating performance! Skaters who wear costumes will receive \$1.00 off admission!

### Skate with Santa

**Saturday, December 6, 12:30-2:00PM**

Skate with Santa at the Bloomington Ice Center this Christmas. Free cookie and 8oz hot chocolate with paid admission. Santa will be available for pictures. Have fun with all your family and friends skating to the Christmas classics.

### Halloween Skate Fest



### Skate with Santa



# Learn to Skate

## Registration Opens August 6

### Pre-School Ice Explorers: Ages 2-5

Join us for a fun introduction to the ice with helpful direction from our instructors. Skaters will participate in coloring activities, fieldtrips around rink and on-ice obstacle courses!

### Tots 1-3: Ages 3-5

The tot program is designed to introduce basic skating skills to young beginner skaters through a safe and controlled atmosphere using on-ice games and activities. Skaters will learn 2-foot glides, dips, 2-foot hops and introduced to backwards skating! \*Skaters who have passed Tot 1 may move to the Learn to Play program!

### Blades 1-6: Ages 6-12

The Blades program is designed for skaters to learn the essential skills for ice skating. The six-level curriculum introduces the fundamental moves: forward skating, backward skating, stops, edges, crossovers, turns and jumps. Upon completion of the Blades program, skaters will have knowledge of the sport, enabling them to advance to more specialized areas of skating. \*Skaters who have passed Blades 1 may move to the Learn to Play program!

### Jump & Spin Level 1-3: Ages 6+

Pre-requisite: Blades 6 (Participants must wear freestyle skates). Skaters will learn basic freestyle elements, jumps, spins and spirals in a group lesson.

### Teen/Adults: Ages 13+

Designed for the beginner teen/adult skater to promote physical fitness, balance, and coordination. The class is divided into four levels, adult skaters will progress at an individual rate while being challenged and motivated. and up!

### Create a Routine

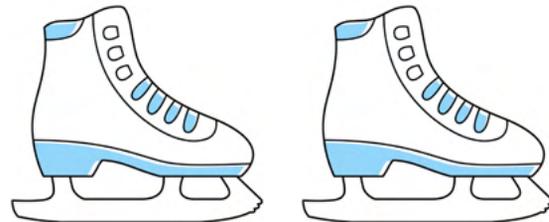
#### Pre-requisite: Blades 2/Tots 3

For skaters wishing to take the skills they have learned in group class and develop them into solo programs! This class is geared towards skaters who do not have a private coach but are looking for the opportunity to learn routines and perform! Skaters must be enrolled in group LTS classes to take advantage of discount class fee.

### Skating Skills for Figure Skaters

#### Pre-requisite: Blades 5/6 and up!

This class focuses on building strong foundational skating skills required for U.S. Figure Skating's Pre-Preliminary and Preliminary Skating Skills tests. Skaters will work on edge quality, power, control, posture, and flow across the ice. Perfect for skaters preparing for their next test or looking to refine their technique.



### Helpful Learn to Skate Information

Arrive at the rink 15-20 minutes early to collect your rental skates and prepare for your lesson. Bloomington Ice Center skate rental employees will assist you with proper sizing.

Please make sure young children use the restroom before class starts.

Wear long pants (no shorts), jacket or sweater, socks, and gloves or mittens.  
Dress in layers of clothing.  
Clothes should not restrict movement.

Helmets (bike, hockey, etc.) are strongly recommended for children under six, and should have a snug fit.

Classes will only be made up if the rink cancels a class. Bloomington Ice Center Learn-to-Skate staff reserves the right to cancel any class, combine classes, change instructors on any class and move students to a different class level based upon instructor evaluation.

Please contact Lindsay Danner, Skating Director, at (309) 434-2877 or [ldanner@cityblm.org](mailto:ldanner@cityblm.org) if you have any questions.

# Learn to Skate Specialty Classes

## Registration Opens August 6

### LTS Ice Show Group Routines

This event only comes around once a year! Don't miss out on this special opportunity for your LTS skaters to perform in the arena! All Learn to Skate participants who are enrolled in Fall LTS are eligible to enroll. The show performance will be held in the Grossinger Motors Arena on Sunday, 11/16! Registration fee to participate covers rehearsal ice time and costume accessories. \*Additional fees for spectator tickets to the show and an optional item to purchase: a show t-shirt.



Skaters will be grouped by level and perform a 2-minute routine (shadowed by an LTS instructor) These LTS routines will be sprinkled throughout the show with other solos, and trios performed by Central IL Figure Skating Club!

**Practice Days:** Fridays

**Time:** 5:00-5:40PM

**Dates:** 10/17-11/14 (NOT 10/31)

**Show Day:** Sunday, November 16

**Fee:** \$65

### Theatre on Ice: Bloomington Pops

**Pre-requisite: Blades 3/Tots 3**

Skaters will be exposed to diverse styles of choreography through musical programs. Skaters will learn and refine routines that will be performed at the Halloween-themed open skate (10/26) and Christmas Exhibition (12/6).

Additional fees will apply for costumes.

**Day:** Tuesdays

**Time:** 5:00-5:30PM

**Dates:** 9/9-12/2 (NOT 11/25)

**Fee:** \$120 (Payment Plans available online)

### Booster Private Lessons

The Bloomington Ice Center is excited to offer private one-on-one lessons for skaters of all ages and skill levels!

Whether you're looking to master a specific skill, break through a plateau, or take on new challenges, personalized coaching is a great way to accelerate your progress. Private lessons provide focused instruction tailored to your individual goals, helping you build confidence and advance at your own pace.

**Ready to get started? Contact Skating Director Lindsay Danner at [ldanner@cityblm.org](mailto:ldanner@cityblm.org) for more information and to schedule your lesson!**



# Learn to Skate Fall Session Schedule

Registration Opens August 6

## Fall 1

Class	Day	Dates	Time	Fee
Ice Explorers	TH	9/4-10/9	10:00-10:30AM	\$70
Tots 1-3	T	9/2-10/7	5:30-6:00PM	\$70
Tots 1-3	W	9/3-10/8	5:00-5:40PM	\$78
Tots 1-3	SA	9/6-10/11	10:20-11:00AM	\$78
Blades 1-6	T	9/2-10/7	6:00-6:30PM	\$70
Blades 1	W	9/3-10/8	5:00-5:40PM	\$78
Blades 1-6	F	9/5-10/10	5:40-6:20PM	\$78
Blades 1	SA	9/6-10/11	10:20-11:00AM	\$78
Blades 2-6	SA	9/6-10/11	11:10-11:50AM	\$78
Teen/Adult - High Level	T	9/2-10/7	5:00-5:45PM	\$84
Teen/Adult	T	9/2-10/7	5:45-6:30PM	\$84
Teen/Adult	F	9/5-10/10	5:00-5:40PM	\$78
Jump & Spin	T	9/2-10/7	5:30-6:00PM	\$70
Jump & Spin	SA	9/6-10/11	11:10-11:50AM	\$78
Specialty Classes				
Skating Skills for Figure Skaters	F	9/5-10/10	5:00-5:40PM	\$78
Create a Routine	SA	9/6-11/22	11:50AM-12:20PM	\$120

## Fall 2

Class	Day	Dates	Time	Fee
Ice Explorers	TH	10/16-11/20	10:00-10:30AM	\$70
Tots 1-3	T	10/14-11/18	5:30-6:00PM	\$70
Tots 1-3	W	10/15-11/19	5:00-5:40PM	\$78
Tots 1-3	SA	10/18-11/22	10:20-11:00AM	\$78
Blades 1-6	T	10/14-11/18	6:00-6:30PM	\$70
Blades 1	W	10/15-11/19	5:00-5:40PM	\$78
Blades 1-6	F	10/17-11/21 (NOT 10/31)	5:40-6:20PM	\$65
Blades 1	SA	10/18-11/22	10:20-11:00AM	\$78
Blades 2-6	SA	10/18-11/22	11:10-11:50AM	\$78
Teen/Adult - High Level	T	10/14-11/18	5:00-5:45PM	\$84
Teen/Adult	T	10/14-11/18	5:45-6:30PM	\$84
Teen/Adult	F	10/17-11/21 (NOT 10/31)	5:00-5:40PM	\$65
Jump & Spin	T	10/14-11/18	5:30-6:00PM	\$70
Jump & Spin	S	10/18-11/22	11:10-11:50AM	\$78

## December Skating Clinic

Class	Day	Dates	Time	Fee
Tots 1-3	T/W	12/2-12/10	5:00-5:40PM	\$52
Blades 1	T/W	12/2-12/10	5:00-5:40PM	\$52
Blades 2-6	T/F	12/2-12/12	5:40-6:20PM	\$52
Jump & Spin	T	12/2 and 12/9	5:40-6:20PM	\$26
Teen/Adult	T	12/2 and 12/9	5:40-6:20PM	\$26
Teen/Adult Advanced	T	12/2 and 12/9	5:00-5:40PM	\$26

# Learn to Play Hockey

Registration Opens August 6

## Learn to Skate Tots 1

**Ages 3-5**

No experience is necessary. Beginner skating skills will be taught through fun games.

## Learn to Skate Blades 1

**Ages 6-14**

No experience necessary. Students will learn basic balance moves, forward skating, and stopping.

## Hockey Tots Learn to Play

**Pre-requisite: Tots 1**

**Ages 3-5**

Players will be taught basic skating and hockey skills, including forward skating, passing, shooting, and SCORING!

## Hockey Learn to Play

**Pre-requisite: Tots 1 or Blades 1**

**Ages 6-14**

Players will be taught basic hockey skills, including forward and backward skating, stopping, passing, shooting, and SCORING!

## Teen/Adult Hockey Learn to Play

**Ages 15+**

This class is ran as a practice using multiple coaches. Classes will focus on the skills needed to play hockey including skating, stick handling, passing, shooting, scoring, proper positional play, and rules of the game. **Full ice hockey equipment required.**

## Learn to Skate Tots 1 and Blades 1

No equipment required; bicycle or hockey helmet, pair of winter or hockey gloves, loose fitting sweat or snow pants, and loose-fitting sweatshirt are heavily recommended. Rental skates are available free of charge.

## Hockey Tots and Hockey Learn to Play

Helmet with face mask, skates (rental skates are available free of charge), hockey gloves, hockey stick, shin pads, and elbow pads are required.

## Teen/Adult Hockey Learn to Play and Adult Leagues Required Equipment

Helmet (facemask is recommended but optional for 18 years and over), elbow pads, shin guards, gloves, stick, skates (rental skates are available free of charge), and hockey pants.



### Helpful Learn to Play Information and Required Equipment

The Hockey Staff requires that gear be rented, purchased, or obtained prior to the first time on ice.

Players should practice getting dressed before the first day of class.

Full equipment is highly recommended for all classes.

The minimum gear recommended for the Youth Learn to Play Hockey Classes are listed above.

Skate rental is included in the program fee.

### Rental Equipment

Rental hockey equipment is available for \$25 plus deposit per session.

The rental equipment fits 3-10 year olds.

**Please contact Brian Ludy at (309) 434-2878 or [bludy@cityblm.org](mailto:bludy@cityblm.org) for rental equipment arrangements.**

# Learn to Play Hockey Fall Session Schedule

Registration Opens August 6

## Fall 1

Class	Day	Dates	Time	Fee
Tots 1	W/SA	Find dates, times, and fees for Learn to Skate on page 49		
Blades 1	W/SA	Find dates, times, and fees for Learn to Skate on page 49		

## Fall 1

Class	Day	Dates	Time	Fee
Hockey Tots	W	9/3-10/8	5:00-5:40 PM	\$78
Hockey Learn to Play	W	9/3-10/8	5:00-5:40 PM	\$78
Hockey Tots	SA	9/6-10/11	10:20-11:00 AM	\$78
Hockey Learn to Play	SA	9/6-10/11	10:20-11:00 AM	\$78
Hockey LTP Teen/Adult	W	9/17-10/22	8:40-9:40 PM	\$89

## Fall 2

Class	Day	Dates	Time	Fee
Hockey Tots	M	10/6-11/10	5:00-5:40 PM	\$78
Hockey Learn to Play	M	10/6-11/10	5:00-5:40 PM	\$78
Hockey Tots	W	10/15-11/19	5:00-5:40 PM	\$78
Hockey Learn to Play	W	10/15-11/19	5:00-5:40 PM	\$78
Hockey Tots	SA	10/18-11/22	10:20-11:00 AM	\$78
Hockey Learn to Play	SA	10/18-11/22	10:20-11:00 AM	\$78
Hockey LTP Teen/Adult	W	10/29-12/17 (NOT 11/26)	8:40-9:40 PM	\$89

## Winter Mini

Class	Day	Dates	Time	Fee
Hockey Tots	W/SA	12/3-12/20	W-5:00-5:40PM SA-10:20-11:00 AM	\$78
Hockey Learn to Play	W/SA	12/3-12/20	W-5:00-5:40PM SA-10:20-11:00 AM	\$78

## Try Hockey for FREE

### Try Hockey for FREE Day

#### Ages 4-12

Bloomington Ice Center proudly presents National Try Hockey for Free Day in partnership with USA Hockey. This event is designed to provide kids ages 4-12 a completely FREE experience to try youth hockey. Our top coaches will be on the ice to assist your child in learning the basics. **Your child does not need any previous skating or hockey experience. Equipment is available to borrow.**

Pre-registration is required.  
To register, please scan the QR code or visit  
[TryHockeyForFree.com](http://TryHockeyForFree.com)

Date: Saturday, September 13  
Time: 3:15-4:00PM  
Fee: FREE



## Little Blackhawks Learn to Play

### Ages 4-9

Little Blackhawks is a collaboration between the Bloomington Ice Center, Chicago Blackhawks, and the NHL that provides first time participants, between 4-9 years of age, head-to-toe equipment, age-appropriate instruction and certified coaching in a fun and safe atmosphere.

If you are interested in registering for future Little Blackhawk sessions, it is recommended that you complete a Learn to Skate and Bloomington Ice Center's Learn to Play program prior to starting Little Blackhawks. **Learn to Skate Tots 1 and Blades 1 classes for the fall start September 6.**

The Little Blackhawks program includes 6 weeks of lessons and a full set of equipment! Weekly sessions are run by ice rink staff and local coaches.

Registration Fees Include:

- Six (6) weeks of ice time and lessons at a local rink.
- Brand-new head-to-toe equipment to keep.
- Visit by Chicago Blackhawks Alumni.
- One (1) ticket to a select Chicago Blackhawks home game during the season.

**Registration is required and must be done online.**

**Day:** Saturdays

**Time:** Afternoons

**Dates:** Spring 2026

**Fee:** TBD



## Open Hockey

### Stick & Puck

Stick & Puck is designed for skaters of all ages to practice individual skills, such as skating, shooting, and passing. Scrimmages are not allowed during this event.

### Private Hockey Lessons

Private Hockey Lessons are available during Stick & Puck sessions. **For more information regarding private lessons contact Brian Ludy at (309) 434-2878 or bludy@cityblm.org.**

### Pick-Up Hockey

Also known as rat hockey, pond hockey, or shinny. Pick-Up Hockey is your designated scrimmage. Players sign up and split into teams on their own. There is no checking allowed. Players officiate themselves.

**Call Guest Services at (309) 434-2737, or check the website at [BloomingtonIceCenter.com](http://BloomingtonIceCenter.com) for prices, monthly schedule, and times.**

# 2025 Fall Preseason Hockey Clinics

**Note: For all Clinic/Camps listed, full hockey equipment is required. Equipment can be rented from the Bloomington Ice Center for a minimal fee.**

## Skill Enhancement Clinic

### Ages 3-7

For Learn to Play, 6U, and 8U players that want to continue their progress, this clinic, through station work will enhance their skating, stickhandling, passing, shooting, and scoring. **Full ice hockey equipment is required.**

**Day:** Saturdays

**Time:** 9:30-10:10AM

**Dates:** 9/6-9/20

**Fee:** \$35

## Skills, Skating, and Scrimmage Clinic

### Ages 7-14

Want to get ready for the season but still have the fun of games. This once-a-week clinic will be work on skills and skating for the first half of the ice time. The second half will split into teams to play a controlled scrimmage, to work on the skills taught during the session. **Goalies – email Brian Ludy at [bludy@cityblm.org](mailto:bludy@cityblm.org) for reduced fees.**

**Day:** Mondays

**Time:** 6:10-7:00PM

**Dates:** 9/8-9/29

**Fee:** \$65

## ADM Preseason Clinic

### Ages 5-12

Get a head start on the Bloomington Ice Center season with the ADM Preseason clinic. Available to all House League players, this program will have four American Development Model (ADM) practices on a weeknight (Thursdays). Practices will be station-based, and players will be grouped by age and skill level. Improvement will be made by all players while constantly participating and having fun.

**Day:** Thursdays

**Time:** 6:10-7:00 PM

**Dates:** 9/5-9/26

**Fee:** \$75



# 2025-26 Youth Hockey Leagues

## Registration Opens August 6

All participants (players, coaches, locker room monitors) must be registered as 2025-2026 ice players in USA Hockey in order to participate in the Youth Recreational Hockey League.

To register for USA Hockey, go to USAHockey.com.

\*Players will need their current USA Hockey number when enrolling for league online or at the Bloomington Ice Center.

Registration for Youth Hockey League will be online. Registration will be open from 8/6/25-9/22/25.

To register, your registration with USA Hockey must have completed.

You may select online registration for full payments or payment plans.

Two (2) Payment Plans will automatically charge the credit/debit card on file on the date of 11/3 and 12/3.

Fee Assistance may be available to Bloomington residents that are eligible.

See page 62 of this guide for more information about Fee Assistance.

**Registering after 9/22/25 may limit practice nights available to join.**

### Bloomington Youth House/Recreational League

No experience is required to participate. Learn to Skate and Learn to Play classes recommended. There will be no cuts for the Youth House/Recreational League teams.

Bloomington Recreational Hockey will run a coed youth house/recreational league that will skate for 18 weeks; 10/6/2025-2/28/2026 for a total of 36 ice times. The weekend of Thanksgiving and two weeks during the Christmas/New Year holidays will be scheduled weeks off. Each age group will skate once during the week (Monday through Wednesday) and once on the weekend (Saturday or Sunday). Until we have the final registration numbers, a full schedule cannot be finalized. The weekend time slots will be rotated as evenly as possible among the 8U-14U age groups.

#### 6U Mini-Mites

##### Players Born 2019-20 or Later

**Season Fees:** Full payment at registration of \$199 or \$99 at registration and two (2) payments of \$55.

The players will skate twice a week, one weeknight (Monday or Wednesday) and on Saturday (two Sundays will be necessary due to Arena events). The focus will be on skill development through station work, small area games, and cross ice games.

#### 8U Mites

##### Players Born in 2017-18

**Season Fees:** Full payment at registration of \$249 or \$99 at registration and two (2) payments of \$80.

The players will skate twice a week: They will practice once a week and play cross ice games on the weekends.

**Additional 8U Mite opportunities on Page 55.**

#### 10U Squirts

##### Players Born in 2015-16

**Season Fees:** Full payment at registration of \$399 or \$199 at registration and two (2) payments of \$105.

Teams will be formed, practice on a weeknight, and play a game on a weekend day. Both cross ice games or full ice games will be played.

#### 12U Peewees

##### Players Born in 2013-14

**Season Fees:** Full payment at registration of \$449 or \$225 at registration and two (2) payments of \$120.

Teams will practice once a week and play one full ice game once a week (Saturday or Sunday).

#### 14U Bantams

##### Players Born in 2011-12

**Season Fees:** Full payment at registration of \$499 or \$250 at registration and two (2) payments of \$130.

Teams will practice once a week and play one full ice game once a week (Saturday or Sunday).

**Information on House League Evaluations can be found on Page 55.**

# 8U Mite Additional Opportunities

## ADM Advanced Practices for 8U and 10U Players

This program, which is available to all 8U and 10U House League players, will have an additional 20 American Development Model (ADM) practices on a set weeknight (Thursday) that would not conflict with the regular house league practice nights. Players must be enrolled in one of the above Youth House Leagues.

Additional Fees: \$199 or \$100 at registration and one (1) payment of \$100 automatically charged to the credit/debit card on file on the date of 11/14/2025.

## 8U Mite Advanced Jamboree Team(s)

Mite age players from the ADM Advanced Practice program would represent Bloomington Hockey in Central Illinois cross ice jamborees. The fees would include hosting a cross ice jamboree and participating in 4 or more away jamborees and unique jerseys that will be provided for the players to wear at the jamborees. Additional Jamborees may be available for an additional fee. Pre-requisite enrollment in 8U House League and ADM Advance Practice.

Additional Fees: \$199 or \$100 at registration and one (1) payment of \$100 automatically charged to the credit/debit card on file on the date of 12/11/2025.

### House League Evaluations

To better balance the competitiveness of each team, players at the 10U, 12U, and 14U levels will be asked to attend evaluation skates between the days of 9/20/25-9/27/25. Players are invited to attend all sessions for their age group. Evaluations are to create even teams. There will be no cuts for the Youth House/Recreational League teams.

Evaluation schedules can be found online at [BloomingtonIceCenter.com](http://BloomingtonIceCenter.com).



**REGISTRATION IS OPEN NOW!**

**REGISTER TODAY AT  
BLOOMINGTONPARKS.ORG**

# Adult Hockey Leagues (Ages 18+)

All players must be 2025-26 members of the USA Hockey to participate in the Youth and Adult Leagues. To register as a USA Hockey player, go to: [www.usahockey.com](http://www.usahockey.com). This number will be required to register. For registration, please register online at [BloomingtonIceCenter.com](http://BloomingtonIceCenter.com).

## Fall 2025

**Registration Dates: 8/6/25-9/10/25**

Players will register as an individual and the Bloomington Ice Center and Adult League Captains will form three divisions (A-High Skill, B-Intermediate, C-Beginner). The first ice time will be evaluations, with captains drafting teams during the following week, creating teams as evenly as possible. Most games will be on Sundays. A game on weeknights or Saturday night may be necessary to play the 12 league games. Teams will be a max of 15 players and minimum of 10 players. Players will have a total of 13 ice times. Fees include one jersey per year (three seasons), officials, score keepers, and ice time.

**Eval times will be updated on the online registration page and sent out to emails used to register on September 11.**

**Day:** Sundays (some weeknight and Saturday Games may be necessary)

**Time:** 4:10-10:30PM (games start between these times)

**Dates:** 9/14-12/14 (NOT 11/30)

**Fee:** Players: \$215; Goalies: \$100

**NEW:** Re-enroll from Adult League Summer 1 or 2 - 2025 to receive a \$15 discount.

Register online before 9/10/25 to take advantage of a 2-payment option (pay \$125 when registering and \$95 on 10/17/25. Payment Plans will be automatically charged to the credit/debit card on file on the date of 10/17/25.

**Want to join the Adult League but not sure you are ready?**

**Join our Teen/Adult Learn to Play class on Wednesday nights!**

### Hockey Learn to Play Teen/Adult

Helmet (facemask is recommended but optional for 18 years and over), elbow pads, shin guards, gloves, stick, skates (rental skates are available free of charge), and hockey pants.

Day	Time	Dates	Fee
W	8:40-9:40 PM	9/17-10/22	\$89
W	8:40-9:40 PM	10/29-12/17 (NOT 11/26)	\$89

## Winter 2026

**Registration Dates: 12/1/25-1/2/26**

Players will play an evaluation game and 12 total team games. Fees include one jersey per year (3 Seasons), officials, score keepers, and ice time. Additional info can be found online.

**Eval times will be updated on the online registration page and sent out to emails used to register on January 2, 2026.**

**Day:** Sundays (some weeknight and Saturday Games may be necessary)

**Dates:** 1/4-3/29 (NOT 2/8)

**Times:** 4:10-10:30PM (games start between these times)

**Fee:** Players: \$215; Goalies: \$100

**NEW:** Re-enroll from Adult League Fall 2025 to receive a \$15 discount.

Register on-line before 1/2/26 to take advantage of a 2-payment option – pay \$125 when registering and \$95 on 2/7/26. Payment Plans will be automatically charged to the credit/debit card on file on the date of 2/7/26.



# PARK SERVICES

## Tree Services

### Tree Trimming

Trees are trimmed for pedestrian and traffic clearance as well as selective thinning of branches, removal of dead wood, or storm damage repair. Trees are not topped, unless deemed necessary by the City Forester or a member of the staff.

At the Parks and Recreation Department, we have established a goal to increase the quality of trees within our City parkways and parks. The Department is governed by guidelines set within our Forestry Ordinance, Chapter 19, Number 1984. This ordinance permits the Parks & Recreation Department to plant, trim, spray, preserve, and remove any tree on City property to insure public safety or to maintain the health of the tree.

The ordinance also requires that anyone wishing to plant or have work done to a tree on City property, by someone other than our forestry staff, secure a permit from the Parks & Recreation Department first. Please call (309) 434-2280 with any questions.

### Tree City USA

The City of Bloomington is a designated Tree City USA - a program sponsored by the National Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the USDA Forest Service and the National Association of State Foresters. To become a Tree City USA, a community must meet four standards: a tree board or department, a city tree ordinance, a comprehensive community forestry program, and an Arbor Day observance. Bloomington's staff of certified arborists and trained professionals enhance the Tree City USA designation.



**TREE CITY USA<sup>®</sup>**

An Arbor Day Foundation Program



## Constitution Trail

Constitution Trail is a joint venture between the City of Bloomington and The Town of Normal. Much of the trail follows the old Illinois Central Gulf Railroad right of way through the community. The trail was dedicated and named as such in celebration of the 200th birthday of the United States Constitution in 1987 and the grand opening of Constitution Trail was May 6th, 1989. The City of Bloomington, Town of Normal, and McLean County have plans for future trail expansion.

Approximately 45 miles of trail exist within both communities. In 2000, the Constitution Trail was designated a Millennium Trail by The White House Millennium Council. Many groups sponsor the trail including McLeanCountyWheelers.com, GoToTrails.com, and Friends of the Constitution Trail.

**To become a Friend of the Trail and learn more, check out [ConstitutionTrail.org](http://ConstitutionTrail.org).**



Scan the QR code to view a map of the trail and to learn more!

### When using the trail, please:

- All users keep right.
- Be courteous at all times.
- Enter and exit trail at access points only.
- Give audible warning signal when passing.
- Keep the trail clean; use the trash receptacles.
- Clean up after your pets.
- Do not wear earphones or anything that distracts from awareness of your environment.
- Please respect the neighbors along the trail.
- Leash all pets
- ENJOY!

**Trail maps are available now at The Hub at 115 E. Washington St., Suite 103 in Bloomington and at Normal Parks & Recreation, 100 E Phoenix Ave. in Normal.**



### Friends of the Constitution Trail

If you are interested in getting involved in the advocacy and awareness of the Trail, contact Friends of the Constitution Trail, P.O. Box 525, Bloomington, IL 61702-0525, and online at [ConstitutionTrail.org](http://ConstitutionTrail.org). Friends is a citizens group interested in promoting trail use and development.

# Bloomington Parks



## Park Regulations:

- Parks open at 6:00AM and close at 10:00PM. (Except Friendship Park closes at 9:00PM.)
- Alcoholic beverages are prohibited.
- Motor vehicles restricted to roadways and parking areas.
- 20-mile-per-hour speed limit in all city parks.
- Pets are allowed in the parks on a leash (Please clean up after your pet).



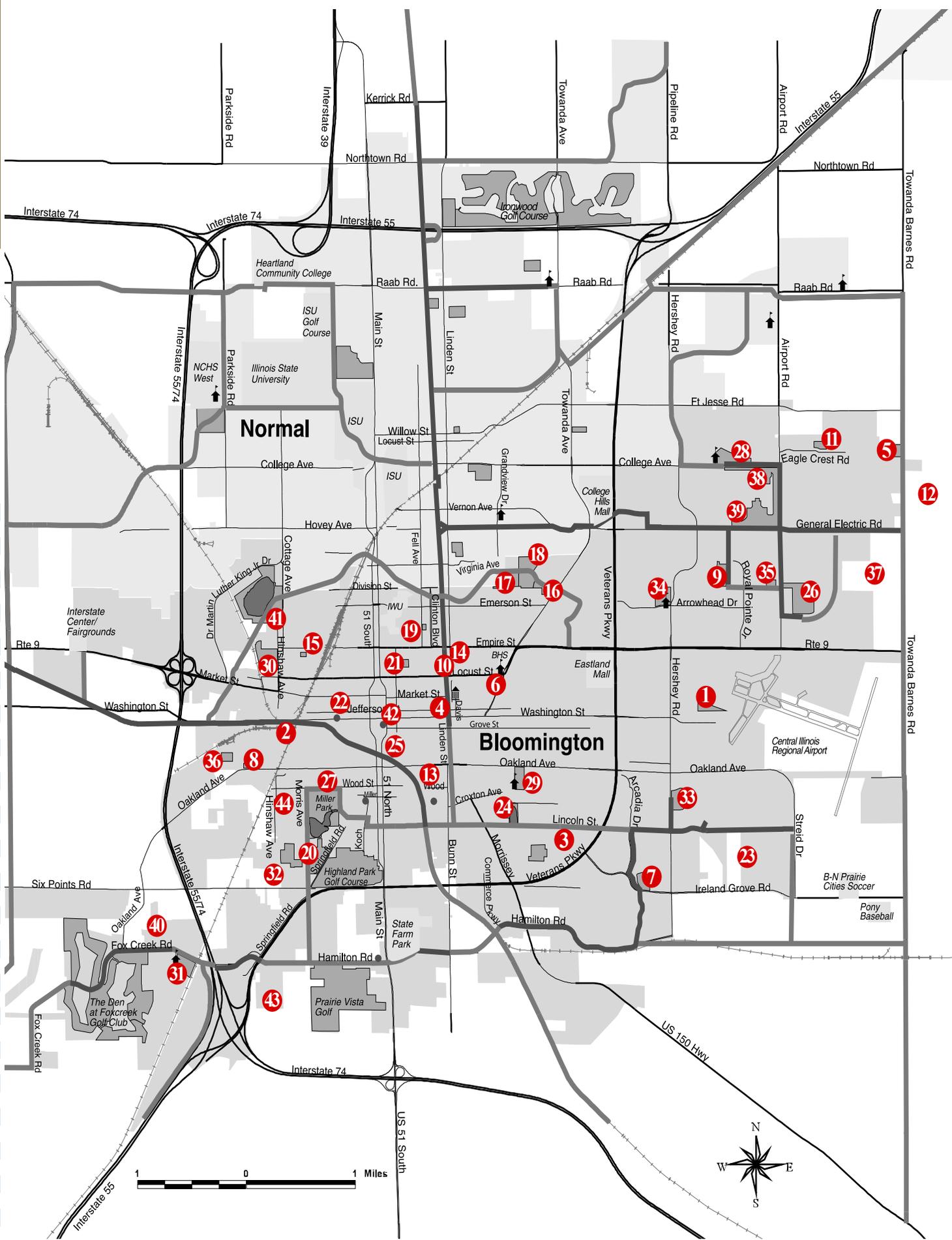
## Park Shelters:

### Open-air shelters are located in:

Airport, Alton Depot, Atwood Wayside, Bittner, Brookridge, Clearwater, Eagle Crest, Eagle View, Ewing I, Ewing II, Fell, Forrest, Friendship, Gaelic, Holiday, Northpoint, O'Neil, Pepper Ridge, P.J. Irvin, Marie Litta, McGraw, Miller, Rollingbrook, Stevenson, Suburban East, Sunnyside, Sweeney, White Oak and Woodbury Park.







# PARK SERVICES

# Registration Policies

Corporate City of Bloomington residents have the opportunity to register one week prior to non-residents.

**RESIDENT REGISTRATION begins at 5:00AM on August 20, 2025**

**NON-RESIDENT REGISTRATION begins at 5:00AM on August 27, 2025.**

Online registration will be available at 5:00AM on the first day of registration; mailed, faxed and drop-off registration will be processed beginning at 8:00AM on the first day of registration. All registrations received prior to the first day will be processed at random. All registrations received thereafter will be processed randomly on a daily basis.

**Payment of Fees:** Fees may be paid by cash, check, VISA, Discover, MasterCard, or American Express at the time of registration. All monies are immediately deposited. Checks payable to: City of Bloomington.

**Returned Checks:** A \$25 service charge is assessed on all checks returned due to insufficient funds. The original amount of the check plus the service fee must be paid by money order or cash.

**Program Enrollment Policy:** All programs have a minimum and maximum enrollment, and are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Bloomington Parks & Recreation reserves the right to cancel, postpone, or combine classes if the minimum enrollment has not been reached. The Parks & Recreation Department reserves the right to request proof of age of persons enrolling in classes.

**Program Cancellation:** If a program is cancelled due to insufficient registration, a full refund will be given. Please allow three to four weeks for the processing of refunds when program payment was made by cash or check. Credit refunds will be returned to your card.

**Refund/Credit Policy:** To be eligible for a requested refund or credit to account, the request must be received no less than five (5) full business days prior to the start of the program.

In the case of illness, a credit to account may be issued if program is not yet 50% completed. Prorating of a program in the event of an injury would start from the date of notification of the injury. Written documentation from a physician must be provided. A \$5 service charge will be assessed per participant, per activity on any refund. No refunds for program costing \$5 or less.

Refunds or credit on account will not be given for contractual programs or trips for which the Department has incurred costs, except in the event of cancellation by the Department.

**Confirmation Email:** An email will be sent upon registration for a class or program, or if placed on a waitlist. This will serve as a receipt. If you do not have an email on file, we will mail the confirmation receipt. We strongly encourage all participants to have an email on file.

**Insurance:** Bloomington Parks & Recreation does not carry medical insurance and assumes no liability for personal injuries or loss of personal property while attending Department activities. A participant's own policy must cover any medical costs incurred.

**Fee Assistance:** Bloomington Parks & Recreation provides a fee assistance policy to reduce certain fees and charges for those who are unable to pay. Please visit our website at [BloomingtonParks.org](http://BloomingtonParks.org) or The Hub (115 E. Washington Street) for Applications Forms.

Applications will be accepted up until two weeks before a program starts. Fee assistance fund availability and program registration cannot be guaranteed. Proof of residency and income are required at time of application. All requests will remain confidential.

All requests will be reviewed and applicants will be notified at least one week prior to program start dates if all paperwork is completed. The decision of the Recreation Department will be final.

**Helpful Hints:** Friends in the same class? If two or more persons from different families wish to be enrolled in the same class, registration forms and checks must be fastened together with a note indicating same. *(If only one space is available, no one will be enrolled.)*

## PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

### Head of Household Contact:

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Alert Information (Allergies, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relation: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Check here if you are a previous customer.

Check here if you would like us to create your account.

**The information in this section is REQUIRED to create an account for each family member at the same residence.**

*Default emergency contact will be the person listed above. Email above will be used for all additional members on the account.*

Name (First & Last): \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Alert Info: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (First & Last): \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

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Medical Alert Info: \_\_\_\_\_

## WAIVER & RELEASE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

- I give my permission for pictures to be taken of the participant to be used by SOAR/Parks & Recreation for the purpose of promotion and education.
- I give my permission for the participant to receive transportation in vehicles owned or rented by SOAR/Parks & Recreation for use in programs and special events.
- I understand that Bloomington Parks & Recreation/SOAR does not carry medical insurance and assumes no liability for personal injuries or loss of personal property while attending department activities. A participant's own policy must cover any medical costs incurred.
- I understand that to be eligible for a refund or credit to the account, the request must be received no less than five (5) full business days prior to the start of the program. A \$5 service charge will be assessed per participant, per activity on any refund. No refunds for programs costing \$5 or less. Refer to the program guide for more information about illness/injury related requests.

**By signing, I acknowledge that I understand and agree to the information above:**

Signature of participant and/or legal guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(participant needs to sign if own legal guardian)*

**Please turn page over to complete program registration information ----->**

# PROGRAM REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Participant Name	Shirt Size*	Program Name	Program Date/Time	Fee
<b>TOTAL</b>				

\* T-shirts are provided for certain activities. Sizes available include: YS, YM, YL, AS, AM, AL, and AXL.

**SOAR ONLY:** Circle (YES) or (NO) if transportation is needed: **YES NO**  
*If yes, a program manager will reach out to you with further details.*

## ADA INFORMATION

To help Parks & Recreation/SOAR in providing a safe and satisfactory experience, please list any reasonable accommodations, changes in medications, behaviors, living situations, or other information you may need to participate successfully: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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## PAYMENT INFORMATION

**Return Form to:**

**Checks payable to City of Bloomington.**

**Mail:** Parks & Recreation  
 PO Box 3157  
 Bloomington, IL 61702-3175

**Fax:** (309) 434-2483

**Drop-off registration form:**  
 The Hub (open 8:00AM-4:30PM)  
 115 E Washington St., Suite 103 Bloomington, IL 61701

**Make a copy of the form or attach a separate piece of paper if additional lines are necessary.**

**Payment Information:**

- Cash
- Check
- Credit Card

Credit Card Number	Expiration Date
Card Holder (print name)	Payment Amount
Authorized Signature	CVV #

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# HOW TO REGISTER

## FOUR SIMPLE WAYS TO REGISTER...

- **ONLINE:** Log onto [BloomingtonParks.org](http://BloomingtonParks.org) and follow the steps to set up your new household account.
- **FAX IN:** (309) 434-2483 Complete the registration form including your credit card number and expiration date.
- **MAIL IN:** Bloomington Parks & Recreation, PO Box 3157, Bloomington, IL 61702-3157.
- **DROP OFF:** The Hub - 115 E. Washington Street, Suite 103 (open Monday - Friday 8:00AM-4:30PM).

Please register early. Class status is determined one week prior to starting date.  
Registration is not accepted by instructors.

**BLOOMINGTON RESIDENT  
REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 5:00AM  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20**

**NON-RESIDENT  
REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 5:00AM  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27**

For details on events and programs, call the main office at (309) 434-2260 or visit us online at

# BLOOMINGTONPARKS.ORG