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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.

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** may be determined no earlier than 2pm for evening activities and 9pm for morning activities. If weather worsens within that timeframe, cancellations may still be made with every effort to contact participants.
- **Special Event Cancellations** will be determined no later than 3 hours prior to event start. If weather worsens less than 3 hours prior, cancellations may still be made with every effort to contact participants.
- **PLEASE NOTE:** Contractual programs, outside rentals, school sports, or groups using City recreation facilities are responsible for canceling their own programs and notifying their participants

Updates will be posted in the following ways:

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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

Wednesday, December 31, 2025 (half day)
Thursday, January 1, 2026
Monday, January 19
Friday, April 3
Monday, May 25



FACILITY RENTALS



Bloomington Parks & Recreation Facility Rentals

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



Miller Park Pavilion

This historic landmark was restored in 1977 and is a premier Bloomington 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.



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. This facility contains a covered back porch, a bathroom, a kitchenette, and can accommodate up to 45 people. 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 2nd 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. This facility contains a kitchenette with a refrigerator that can accommodate up to 35 people.



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. This facility contains a full kitchen, common area with TV, open floor plan, restrooms, lakefront views, and can accommodate up to 50 people.



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!

**To learn more about renting space at these facilities,
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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Glow Party

Ages 6-11

Come experience a glow extravaganza! The night will include glow art stations, games, and a dance party. You are encouraged to wear neon or white clothes because they will glow the best. Everyone will leave with a glow stick and some awesome art. Pizza and drinks will be served.

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Date: Friday, January 23

Time: 5:30-7:30PM

Fee: \$29



Daddy/Daughter Dance

Ages 4-18

Don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity to connect with your little one in a memorable and exciting way. Get ready for an afternoon full of laughter, music, and joy, as we celebrate the unique bond between you and your child.

Every pair attending will be treated to a special surprise, as well as a lovely photo to take home as a memento of this special occasion. The first session will be dedicated to the traditional Daddy/Daughter pairs. In the second session, we are excited to welcome any adult/child pair to join in the enjoyment! **Pre-registration is required.**

Location: Miller Park Pavilion

Date: Sunday, February 1

Time: 1:00-2:30PM

Fee: \$30 per pair

Sweetheart Dance

Ages 4-18

Don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity to connect with your little one in a memorable and exciting way. Get ready for an afternoon full of laughter, music, and joy, as we celebrate the unique bond between you and your child.

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Location: Miller Park Pavilion

Date: Sunday, February 1

Time: 3:00-4:30PM

Fee: \$30 per pair

Bunny Home Visits

Ages 2+

Enjoy a cheerful doorstep visit from the Bunny! Each stop includes:

- A brief visit
- Photo opportunity
- A special treat delivered to your child

Your estimated visit time will be sent via email before the event date.

You must live in the Bloomington or Normal City Limits to participate.

Date: Saturday, March 28

Time: 2:00-5:00PM

Fee: \$10 per child; \$5 per additional child in same household



Bunnies & Bagels NEW

Ages 4+ with an Adult

Enjoy a light breakfast and some special time together at our DIY bunny workshop. Each child (with their adult assistant) will stuff, name, and complete a birth certificate and a DIY custom T-shirt design for their new friend. Bunnies are 15 inches tall. Only one adult per child.

Location: Miller Park Adult Center

Date: Saturday, March 14

Time: 9:30-11:00AM

Fee: \$29



Peeps in the Park Scavenger Hunt NEW

Ages 6+ with an Adult

Join us for a sweet outdoor adventure in our Peeps in the Park Scavenger Hunt! Participants will explore the park in search of hidden "Peeps" — colorful marshmallow friends tucked away in fun and surprising locations. Each clue will lead you closer to finding them all! Along the way, you'll solve riddles, complete challenges, and discover fun facts about our park. Only one adult per child. Please dress for movement and for the outdoors. We will have snacks and drinks after the search!

Location: Miller Park Pavilion

Date: Sunday, March 29

Time: 1:30-3:30PM

Fee: \$19



Paint with Me – Tree

Ages 5-18 with an Adult

Adults will assist their child in creating 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 a smock or old clothes since we will be using acrylic paints. Snacks and drinks will be served. **Instructor:** Inside Out Accessible Art

Location: Miller Park Pavilion

Date: Sunday, February 22

Time: 1:30-3:30 PM

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



Paint with Me – Flowers

Ages 5-18 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 a smock or old clothes since we will be using acrylic paints. Snacks and drinks will be served. **Instructor:** Inside Out Accessible Art

Location: Miller Park Pavilion

Date: Sunday, 4/26

Time: 1:30-3:30 PM

Fee: \$35 per pair; \$20 per additional child in the same household



Family Day at Tipton Park FREE

All Ages Welcome

Our annual Family Day event will get the whole family out and about for the summer! Join us for an active day at the park filled with games, crafts, activities, inflatable fun, and much more.

Local businesses and organizations will join us in providing information and activities to keep the family active throughout the summer. There will be games and activities for all ages. Come see what the Bloomington Parks & Recreation Department has to offer you and your family!

Location: Tipton Park, North Shelter

Date: Saturday, May 9

Time: 11:00AM-1:00PM

Fee: Free



SPORTS/ FITNESS

In the Zone: Basketball Camp

Grades 2-7

Registration Open Now!

This 8-week program will get players focusing on developing the foundational skills of basketball. This camp is offered to 2nd through 7th 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.

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

Grade	Day	Time	Date	Fee
2-3	W	5:30-6:30PM	1/28-3/18	\$52
4-5	W	6:30-7:30PM	1/28-3/18	\$52
6-7	W	7:30-8:30PM	1/28-3/18	\$52

Sporty Parent & Child

Ages 18 Months-3 Years with an Adult

Parents; now is your chance to get your little one moving! Have your mini-athlete get active while trying a variety of sports in a group setting. 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: 1/26-3/2 (Not 2/16)

Time: 5:15-6:00PM

Fee: \$42

Sporty Munchkins

Ages 3-5

Each class participant will learn the fundamentals of a different sport including soccer, basketball, T-ball, and 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	Time	Dates	Fee
M	6:10-6:55PM	1/26-3/2 (Not 2/16)	\$42

Day	Time	Dates	Fee
M	5:15-6:00PM	3/30-4/27	\$42



Sporty Kiddos

Ages 6-8

Has your child shown interest in sports but is unsure which sport to follow? Let us get your child up and moving while exploring different sports. Each class will focus on the fundamentals of a different sport and will have the opportunity to play each sport in a non-competitive game.

Location: Pepper Ridge Elementary, Gym

Day: Monday

Dates: 3/30-4/27

Time: 6:10-6:55PM

Fee: \$42

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	1/29-2/26	\$42
7-8	TH	6:30-7:15PM	1/29-2/26	\$42

FUNDamental Volleyball

Ages 5-12

Players will grow their volleyball knowledge and skills with this small group session! Utilizing drills and activities, players will develop basic volleyball skills such as passing, setting, and serving.

Location: Washington Elementary, Gym

Ages	Day	Time	Date	Fee
5-6	M	5:15-5:45PM	2/2-3/2 (Not 2/16)	\$34
7-9	M	5:55-6:30PM	2/2-3/2 (Not 2/16)	\$37
10-12	M	6:35-7:15PM	2/2-3/2 (Not 2/16)	\$40



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: Stevenson Elementary, Gym

Ages	Day	Time	Date	Fee
3	T	5:15-5:45PM	2/3-2/24	\$34
4-5	T	5:55-6:30PM	2/3-2/24	\$37
6-8	T	6:35-7:15PM	2/3-2/24	\$40

Location: Clearwater Park, Basketball Courts

Ages	Day	Time	Date	Fee
3	TH	5:15-5:45PM	4/9-4/30	\$34
4-5	TH	5:55-6:30PM	4/9-4/30	\$37
6-8	TH	6:40-7:20PM	4/9-4/30	\$40



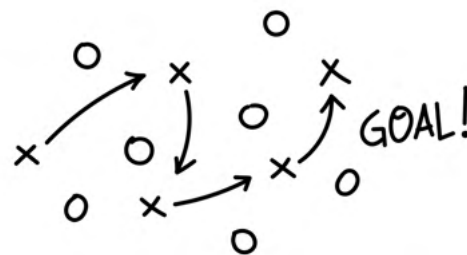
FUNDamental Soccer

Ages 3-8

Players will be introduced to primary skills through drills, activities, and games. Necessary skills such as kicking, passing, defense, and shooting will be taught and practiced in this high-endurance sport.

Location: Oakland Elementary, Gym

Ages	Day	Time	Date	Fee
3	T	5:15-5:45PM	2/10-3/3	\$34
4-5	T	5:55-6:30PM	2/10-3/3	\$37
6-8	T	6:35-7:15PM	2/10-3/3	\$40



FUNDamental T-Ball

Ages 3-8

Players will learn the foundational 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: Washington Elementary, Gym

Ages	Day	Time	Date	Fee
3	TH	5:15-5:45PM	2/12-3/5	\$34
4-5	TH	5:55-6:30PM	2/12-3/5	\$37
6-8	TH	6:35-7:15PM	2/12-3/5	\$40

Location: O'Neil Park, Softball Field

Ages	Day	Time	Dates	Fee
3	T	5:15-5:45PM	4/7-4/28	\$34
4-5	T	5:55-6:30PM	4/7-4/28	\$37
6-8	T	6:40-7:20PM	4/7-4/28	\$40



Youth Soccer Clinic

Ages 5-11

Athletes will develop essential soccer skills such as dribbling, passing, shooting, and defense on a more individualized 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

Ages	Day	Time	Date	Fee
5-7	W	5:15-6:00PM	4/1-4/29	\$42
8-11	W	6:10-6:55PM	4/1-4/29	\$42



HappyFeet Youth Soccer

HappyFeet is a 'kid-friendly' curriculum to ensure kids are having an absolute blast while developing essential physical skills. Using soccer activities, HappyFeet is a perfect starting point for developing skills, as it is non-competitive and uses fun techniques to train advanced motor skills, dynamic dribbling, shooting skills, and fitness. **Instructor:** HappyFeet Staff

Location: Miller Park Ballfield

Age	Day	Time	Dates	Fee
2-3	T	5:30-6:00PM	4/7-5/12	\$48
3-4	T	6:05-6:35PM	4/7-5/12	\$48
4-5	T	6:40-7:10PM	4/7-5/12	\$48

FUNDamental Hockey

Ages 3-10

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/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	9:30-10:10 AM	4/11-4/25	\$45
6-10	SA	9:30-10:10 AM	4/11-4/25	\$45



Winter/Spring Tennis Lessons

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 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, serves, and volleys.

Junior (Ages 10-12)

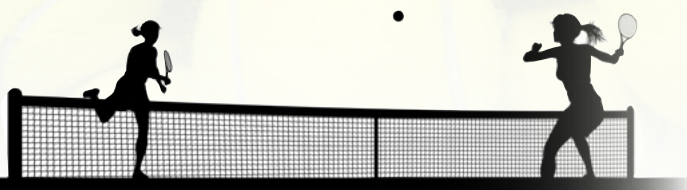
Class includes skills, drills, games, strokes, serves, and challenging play progressing towards game-based play.

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.



Winter Tennis Lessons at Evergreen Racquet Club

Led by lead instructor, Christine, our wonderful tennis staff will be leading this six-week Winter session. Whether you're looking to knock off some of that winter rust from your game or you just want to build a solid foundation for the upcoming outdoor months, our Sunday morning program is a great opportunity for continued year-round play.

Location: Evergreen Racquet Club

Class	Day	Time	Dates	Fee
Pee Wee	SU	8:30-9:15AM	2/8-3/15	\$60
Youth	SU	9:15-10:15AM	2/8-3/15	\$65
Junior	SU	10:15-11:15AM	2/8-3/15	\$65
Teen	SU	10:15-11:15AM	2/8-3/15	\$65
Adult	SU	11:15AM-12:30PM	2/8-3/15	\$75

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"

Spring Tennis Lessons at McGraw Park

All ages and skill levels can expect a challenging but enjoyable tennis experience this spring! 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 into the summer and throughout life. Under the direction of certified PTR Instructor Mary Z. Walker.

Location: McGraw Park.

Class	Day	Time	Dates	Fee
Tots	SA	8:30-9:00AM	4/11-5/9	\$40
Pee Wee	SA	9:15-10:00AM	4/11-5/9	\$45
Youth	SA	10:15-11:15AM	4/11-5/9	\$50
Junior	SA	11:30AM-12:30PM	4/11-5/9	\$50
Teen	SA	11:30AM-12:30PM	4/11-5/9	\$50
Pee Wee	T	5:30-6:15PM	4/14-5/12	\$45
Youth	T	6:30-7:30PM	4/14-5/12	\$50
Junior	TH	5:30-6:30PM	4/16-5/14	\$50
Adult	TH	6:45-8:00PM	4/16-5/14	\$55

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.



TRAINING AND PERFORMANCE CENTER

Pure SPEED Academy

Ages 12+

Improve your sprinting technique and build linear speed with a focus on arm action, posture, leg drive, foot contact, and recovery. Skills drills, plyos, and proper sled push/pull technique teach athletes to apply speed to their sport. Quantified results from our state-of-the-art electronic timing system provide a consistent, accurate measurement that can be compared to standardized norms for gender and age.

Location: Training and Performance Center

Date: Saturday, February 7

Time: 10:00-11:30AM

Fee: \$50

STRENGTH Academy

Ages 12+

Learn the basics of lifting including squat, bench, deadlift and compound patterns. This class, led by a certified coach, covers the fundamentals for high school, and college strength programs. Step-by-step instruction improves form on the full lifts and accessory exercises. Understand the benefits of triple extension, fast twitch muscle training, and bar speed for power output and building coordination that is essential for explosive power in sports performance.

Location: Training and Performing Center

Date: Saturday, February 28

Time: 10:00-11:30AM

Fee: \$50

SPEED for Soccer Academy

Ages 10+

Develop your speed and agility for match dominance! Master efficient mechanics for faster turns and breakaways, change of direction drills, and sharper cuts on the pitch. Technical speed, reaction time, and soccer fitness give you the complete package. Expert coaching focuses on sprint form, injury prevention, and proper recovery. Come ready to explode your soccer speed!

Location: Training and Performance Center

Date: Saturday, March 7

Time: 10:00-11:30AM

Fee: \$40

Multi-Directional SPEED Academy

Ages 10+

Learn the basics to advanced exercises to improve change of direction, lateral speed, reactive speed, and sports specificity. Plyometrics build multidirectional power and explosiveness. Improve velocity in multiple directions, deceleration technique, running posture, and force application.

Location: Training and Performance Center

Date: Saturday, March 14

Time: 10:00-11:30AM

Fee: \$40

TPC Spring Break SPEED Week

Ages 12-15

Expert speed coaches will lead a week of elite speed training. Our expansive state-of-the-art indoor turf space provides athletes with the tools they need for improving their performance. Learn the main components of linear speed including starts, acceleration, and top-end speed through various drills, plyos, and more. Test your 10/20 times with electronic timing to start and end the program.

Location: Training and Performance Center

Days	Time	Dates	Fee
M-F	11:00AM-12:00PM	3/23-3/27	\$89

Vertical POWER Academy

Ages 12+

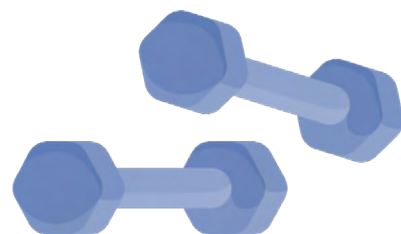
Improve vertical jump and hang time with jump technique, weight room exercises, plyometrics, and box jump training. Test vertical and horizontal power with electronic measurement for accurate results to maximize power as it relates to all sports.

Location: Training and Performance Center

Date: Saturday, April 11

Time: 10:00-11:00AM

Fee: \$40



Kickstart Youth Fitness

Ages 7-12

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.

Mondays/Wednesdays: Kids Move Land Workouts

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

Location: Carle Health & Fitness outdoor space, 1111 Trinity Lane, Bloomington, IL
(We will move indoors to Carle Health & Fitness Center during inclement weather.)

Session	Days	Dates	Time	Fee
1	M/W/TH	2/2-2/26	4:30-5:15PM	\$75
2	M/W/TH	3/2-3/26	4:30-5:15PM	\$75
3	M/W/TH	4/6-4/30	4:30-5:15PM	\$75

All equipment is provided by Carle Health & Fitness Center. Children 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.



Gymnastics & Tumbling

Two separate FIVE-week sessions will be offered and led by the great instructors of Gymnastics Etc. Classes will be held on Friday afternoon and evenings in the gym at Lincoln Leisure Center.

Parent/Tot Gymnastics (Ages 18-35 Months with an Adult)

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 mats, bars, and beam.

Please 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.**

Winter Session:

Class	Day	Time	Date	Fee
Super Tot	F	4:30-5:00PM	2/6-3/6	\$66
Parent/Tot	F	5:00-5:30PM	2/6-3/6	\$66
Super Tot	F	5:30-6:00PM	2/6-6/6	\$66
Gym Stars	F	6:00-7:00PM	2/6-6/6	\$95

Spring Session:

Class	Day	Time	Date	Fee
Super Tot	F	4:30-5:00PM	3/20-4/17	\$66
Parent/Tot	F	5:00-5:30PM	3/20-4/17	\$66
Super Tot	F	5:30-6:00PM	3/20-4/17	\$66
Gym Stars	F	6:00-7:00PM	3/20-4/17	\$95



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 the staff of Next Step Dance for a 10-week program

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 area and surrounding communities since 2009. Next Step Dance staff believe 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 with an Adult)

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 4-5)

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. No experience is necessary. **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 6-9)

This 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 are required, while jazz shoes are encouraged.**

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center, Room 207

Class	Day	Time	Dates	Fee
Tiny Dancers	T	4:45-5:15PM	2/10-4/21 (Not 3/10-12)	\$80
Dancing Feet	T	5:15-5:45PM	2/10-4/21 (Not 3/10-12)	\$80
Hippity Hop	T	5:50-6:20PM	2/10-4/21 (Not 3/10-12)	\$80
Ballet/Tap Combo	T	6:20-7:05PM	2/10-4/21 (Not 3/10-12)	\$90
Dancing Feet	W	4:45-5:15PM	2/11-4/22 (Not 3/10-12)	\$80
Tiny Dancers	W	5:15-5:45PM	2/11-4/22 (Not 3/10-12)	\$80
Jazz/Hip Hop Combo	W	5:50-6:35PM	2/11-4/22 (Not 3/10-12)	\$90
Bitty Ballet	TH	4:45-5:15PM	2/12-4/23 (Not 3/10-12)	\$80
Hippity Hop	TH	5:15-5:45PM	2/12-4/23 (Not 3/10-12)	\$80
Beginner Hip Hop	TH	5:45-6:30PM	2/12-4/23 (Not 3/10-12)	\$90



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.

BASEBALL/SOFTBALL

B-N Baseball Association
(Youth Baseball ages 7-19)
bnba.net

B-N Girls Softball (Youth Softball ages 7-19)
bnbsa.org

McLean County PONY League
(Youth Baseball ages 5-18)
mcponybaseball.com

CRICKET

Central Illinois Cricket Association (Youth and Adult)
Find them on Facebook

DISC GOLF

BN Disc Golf Club (All ages)
bndisc.com

FISHING

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

Prairieland Anglers Association
facebook.com/prairieland.anglers/

YOUTH FOOTBALL (FLAG AND TACKLE) AND CHEER

Bloomington Cardinals
bloomingtoncardinals.com

Bloomington Knockers
bloomingtonknockers.com

B-N Fighting Irish
Find them on Facebook

Bloomington Wolves
Find them on Facebook

Sports4Life Athletics (Flag Football)
sports4lifeathletics.com

Twin City Tigers
twincitytigers.com

SWIMMING

Central Illinois Masters Swim Team, Inc. (Ages 18+)
cimst.org

VOLLEYBALL

Normal Flight (Youth Volleyball ages 5-18)
normalflightvbc.leagueapps.com

LACROSSE

B-N Warriors (Ages 9-14)
bnwarriors.com

HOCKEY

Bloomington Youth Hockey (Travel Youth Hockey)
bloomingtonyouthhockey.com

Central Illinois Girls Hockey Association
(Girls Youth Hockey)
cigirlshockey.com

McLean County Sharks (High School Hockey)
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

McLean County Wheelers (Cycling Club for ages 18+)
mcleancountywheelers.com

SOCCER

FC Central Illinois Soccer (Youth Soccer)
fccentralillinois.com

Inter South Soccer League (U5-U18)
chicagointersouth.com

Prairie Cities Soccer League (Youth Soccer for ages 4-18)
pcslsoccer.org

Midwest Sports Inc. (Adult Soccer)
midwestsports@hotmail.com

TENNIS

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

Bloomington Tennis & Turf
blonotennisturf.com

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

AQUATICS

Winter/Spring Swim Lessons

Important Information on Swim Lessons

Progressive system where students move at their own pace through a series of levels. There is no experience needed for Level One. 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 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 Winter/Spring swim lesson programming will be located at Bloomington High School Pool (BHS).

Please Note: The water temperature at BHS ranges from 75-78 degrees, which may feel cool to swimmers, particularly with younger swimmers. Swim caps and thermal swim suits are recommended for individuals with lower tolerance to cooler water temperatures.

Group Swim Lessons meet twice per week (Monday and Wednesday) for four weeks for a total of eight swim lessons. *Private Swim Lessons* meet once per week (Monday or Wednesday) for four weeks for a total of four swim lessons.

Parent & Child Swim Lessons Ages 6 months-3 years with an Adult

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.

Location: Bloomington High School Pool

Day	Time	Date	Fee
M/W	5:45-6:15PM	2/9-3/4	\$64
M/W	5:45-6:15PM	3/30-4/22	\$64

Pre-School Swim Lessons Ages 3-5

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

Location: Bloomington High School Pool

Day	Time	Dates	Fee
M/W	5:45-6:15PM	2/9-3/4	\$64
M/W	6:20-6:50PM	2/9-3/4	\$64
M/W	5:45-6:15PM	3/30-4/22	\$64
M/W	6:20-6:50PM	3/30-4/22	\$64

Youth Swim Lessons

Ages 5-14

There is no experience needed for Level 1. Child must be at least five years old for the first day of class. Youth lessons encompass Level 1-Level 6 of the American Red Cross Learn-to-Swim program.

Location: Bloomington High School Pool

Day	Time	Dates	Fee
M/W	6:20-6:50PM	2/9-3/4	\$64
M/W	6:55-7:25PM	2/9-3/4	\$64
M/W	6:20-6:50PM	3/30-4/22	\$64
M/W	6:55-7:25PM	3/30-4/22	\$64

Adult Swim Lessons

Ages 15+

It is never too late to learn how to swim! Instructors for this class will work with you in a small group setting. We want you to set the goals and we will develop lesson plans that work for you to learn at a comfortable pace.

Location: Bloomington High School Pool

Day	Time	Dates	Fee
M/W	7:30-8:00PM	3/30-4/22	\$64

Private Swim Lessons

Ages 4-14

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

Location: Bloomington High School Pool

Day	Time	Dates	Fee
M	5:45-6:15PM	2/9-3/2	\$66
M	6:55-7:25PM	2/9-3/2	\$66
M	7:30-8:00PM	2/9-3/2	\$66
W	5:45-6:15PM	2/11-3/4	\$66
W	6:55-7:25PM	2/11-3/4	\$66
W	7:30-8:00PM	2/11-3/4	\$66
M	5:45-6:15PM	3/30-4/20	\$66
M	6:55-7:25PM	3/30-4/20	\$66
M	7:30-8:00PM	3/30-4/20	\$66
W	5:45-6:15PM	4/1-4/22	\$66
W	6:55-7:25PM	4/1-4/22	\$66
W	7:30-8:00PM	4/1-4/22	\$66





SPECIAL INTEREST

Look I'm a Cook

Ages 4-8

Learn the basics of following recipes, proper measuring, kitchen safety, and more. Class will focus on making some kid-friendly, delicious recipes. **Children must attend class independently.**

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Day: Tuesdays

Date: 1/20-1/27

Time: 5:15-6:15PM

Fee: \$19

Baking Workshop

Ages 8-14

Let's make some sweet treats. February will be Valentine's, March will be St. Patrick's, and April will be Spring-themed treats. Sign up for one or for them all!

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Day	Time	Date	Fee
W	6:00-7:15PM	2/11	\$19
W	6:00-7:15PM	3/11	\$19
W	6:00-7:15PM	4/15	\$19

Valentine Workshop

Ages 4-10

Celebrate friendship, creativity, and kindness at our Valentine Workshop! Kids will enjoy making heartfelt crafts, cards, and gifts to share with family and friends. Using colorful materials, imagination, and a little bit of sparkle, participants will explore their artistic side while learning about caring and connection.

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Day: Wednesdays

Date: 2/4-2/11

Time: 5:00-5:45PM

Fee: \$19

Sports STEM Challenges

Ages 8-14

Get in the game with a hands-on program that connects the excitement of football in January, basketball in March, and soccer in April with the power of science, technology, engineering and math!

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Day	Time	Date	Fee
W	6:00-7:15PM	1/28	\$19
W	6:00-7:15PM	3/4	\$19
W	6:00-7:15PM	4/1	\$19

Family Craft Fun – Valentine's Day

Ages 4-12 with an Adult

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

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Date: Saturday, February 7

Time: 1:00-2:00PM

Fee: \$19



Tiny Melodies

Ages 0-4 with an Adult

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. The classes are designed for children ages 0-4. Caregivers are not only encouraged to attend, but to participate in the music-making process. **One adult per child. Un-registered siblings are not permitted.** **Instructor:** Developing Melodies

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Day: Tuesday

Dates: 2/3-3/10

Time: 5:00-5:45PM

Fee: \$75

Winter FUN Games

Ages 6-11

Get ready for some frosty fun! The Winter FUN Games will bring kids together for exciting winter-themed games, friendly competitions, and teamwork challenges. Participants will stay active and build sportsmanship as they race through obstacle courses, test their balance in "ice" relays, and compete in creative, snow-inspired activities—no snow required! Snacks will be provided.

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Date: Thursday, February 12

Time: 5:30-7:00PM

Fee: \$19



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. Class is taught by certified Safe Sitter Instructors.

Location	Day	Time	Date	Fee
Community Activity Center, 1110 Douglas Normal	SA	9:30AM-4:00PM	3/14	\$60
Lincoln Leisure Center	SA	9:30AM-4:00PM	4/11	\$60
Lincoln Leisure Center	SA	9:30AM-4:00PM	5/16	\$60

Spring Craft Workshop

Ages 4-11

Let's celebrate spring with color and creativity! Kids will make a bright and cheerful craft to take home and enjoy. All supplies provided—just bring your imagination and get ready for some springtime fun!

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Day: Tuesday

Date: 4/14-4/28

Time: 5:15-6:00PM

Fee: \$29

Spring Cupcake Decorating

Ages 7-12

Learn to decorate cupcakes by turning simple items into spring decorations. You will be taught designs the first two weeks, and will design your own the last week!

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Day: Tuesday

Dates: 4/14-4/28

Time: 6:15PM-7:30M

Fee: \$39



Make a Leprechaun Trap

Ages 4-12 with an Adult

Make a leprechaun trap together! Adult and child will work together to create a trap to catch the sneaky leprechaun as he is hunting for his pot of gold. All supplies will be provided.

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Date: Saturday, March 14

Time: 1:00-2:00PM

Fee: \$19



Learn. Cook. Create.

Ages 11-16

In this hands-on class, teens will gain confidence in the kitchen while learning how to cook simple, healthy, and delicious meals. Each week focuses on a new theme—from easy breakfasts and quick lunches to healthy snacks. Teens will work together, taste their creations, and leave ready to cook up confidence!

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Day: Monday

Date: 3/2-3/16

Time: 5:30-6:45PM

Fee: \$39



Science & Craft Adventures

Ages 5-10

Join us for a hands-on program where kids explore exciting science ideas through art and crafts. Each session blends real science with creative projects that kids can make and take home!

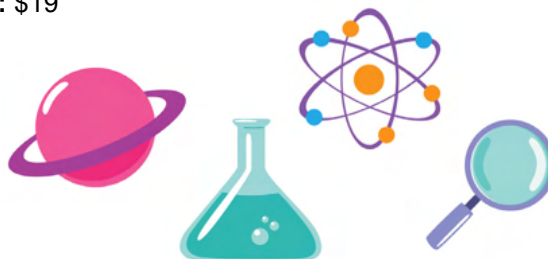
Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Day: Tuesday

Date: 2/17-2/24

Time: 5:15-6:15PM

Fee: \$19



Gift for Mom

Ages 4-11

Children will enjoy making their Mom a special gift and card. This will be a one-of-a-kind gift for Mom!

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Date: Wednesday, May 6

Time: 5:15-6:30PM

Fee: \$19

Bug Bites!

Ages 5-11

Get ready for some creepy-crawly fun in the kitchen! Kids will create tasty treats that look like bugs—but they're made entirely of yummy ingredients. Using fruits, veggies, crackers, and candy, we'll make edible insects like caterpillar fruit kabobs, cracker critters, and chocolate "ant" clusters. Along the way, we'll learn a few cool facts about real bugs and why they're important to our world.

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Day: Tuesday

Dates: 5/5-5/19

Time: 5:15-6:15PM

Fee: \$29



ART CLASSES

Needle Felted Animals

Ages 10-16

Learn the art of needle felting and create your own adorable felted animals! In this hands-on workshop, you'll transform wool into charming creatures, perfect for gifting or keeping as a cute keepsake.

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Day	Time	Date	Fee
SA	1:00-2:15PM	1/24	\$19
SA	11:00AM-12:15PM	2/7	\$19

Paint the LOVE Sculpture

Ages 8-15

We will supply the famous NY City LOVE sculpture, and you will bring the creativity! Paint with your own flair to add décor at home. Sculptures will be fired and available to pick up the following week.

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Date: Thursday, January 29

Time: 5:30-6:30PM

Fee: \$25



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	2/9-2/23	\$55
M	6:00-7:15PM	4/13-4/27	\$55



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: 3/2-3/16

Time: 6:00-7:30PM

Fee: \$65

Paint a Ceramic Egg Set

Ages 12+

We supply the ceramic eggs, you bring the creativity! Each participant will receive a set of six designed eggs to glaze with their own flair. Eggs will be fired and available to pick up the following week.

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Date: Thursday, March 12

Time: 5:30-6:45PM

Fee: \$29



Acrylic Skies

Ages 16+

Participants will have the opportunity to complete two 11"x14" acrylic paintings on canvas. One will use a very wet blending technique; the other will use a dryer blending technique. *Acrylic paint will not wash out of clothes. Please dress accordingly.* **Instructor:** Mary Jo Johnson

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Date: Thursday, January 29

Time: 6:00-7:30PM

Fee: \$25



Watercolor Imaginariums

Ages 16+

Participants will have the opportunity to complete two 11"x14" simple watercolor florals. One will be done on traditional watercolor paper, the other on synthetic Yupo paper. Paintings will be taken home with a mat and sleeve. **Instructor:** Mary Jo Johnson

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Date: Thursday, February 19

Time: 6:00-7:30PM

Fee: \$25



Adult Acrylic Pour

Ages 16+

Participants will have the opportunity to complete at least two acrylic pours. One will be a 16"x20" canvas, and one will be a 11"x14" canvas. This fun project is messy, please dress accordingly. **Instructor:** Mary Jo Johnson

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Date: Thursday, April 16

Time: 6:00-7:30PM

Fee: \$25



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., a computer area, and card groups. Complimentary 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 program guide. 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, due to low attendance, or for unforeseen events.

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

April 3 and May 25



MAIN OFFICE (309) 434-2260

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Experiences at the Miller Park Adult Center

Tech HELP!

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!

Hand & Foot: Every Wednesday and Friday at 9:30AM

Phase 10: Every Thursday at 9:30AM

Five Crowns: Every Friday at 9:30AM

Bridge, Bunco, Dominoes, and MORE are welcome anytime!



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	1/15	FREE
TH	9:15AM	2/12	FREE
TH	9:15AM	3/12	FREE
TH	9:15AM	4/16	FREE
TH	9:15AM	5/14	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.

Guest Speaker

Join CIBM Bank for an informative seminar on recognizing and preventing financial fraud. Our bankers will share practical tips to help you identify common scams, safeguard your personal information, and protect your accounts from fraudsters. Learn how to stay vigilant and keep your money safe in today's digital world. Light snacks will be provided.

Date: Wednesday, April 22

Time: 10:00-11:00AM

Fee: Free

Want to start your own weekly game or activity that we do not currently offer? We'll be glad to help make it happen! Talk to us about getting something on the calendar.

Special Interest Programming

All Programs are held at the Miller Park Adult Center

(Requires Advanced Registration)

Grocery Bingo

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	2/19	\$4
TH	1:00-2:00PM	3/5	\$4
TH	1:00-2:00PM	4/2	\$4
TH	1:00-2:00PM	5/7	\$4



National Soup Day Bingo

Has cabin fever set in? Experiencing those winter blues already? How about joining us as we celebrate National Soup Day on February 4! In addition to enjoying a variety of the several soups that will be on hand, you can expect to play several rounds of Bingo.

Date: Wednesday, February 4

Time: 11:30AM-1:00PM

Fee: \$12

Scott Miller Bingo

WJBC's Scott Miller will be our special guest Bingo caller for the afternoon! Featuring a light lunch and snacks, we'll also have lots of prizes to dole out. A few lucky winners might also win some special prizes! Guaranteed to be a great time, advanced registration is required as this program is expected to fill up fast!

Date: Thursday, February 12

Time: 12:00-1:30PM

Fee: \$15



National Cold Cuts Day Trivia

March 3 is National Cold Cuts Day. Who doesn't love a good sandwich? Come out and enjoy the spread! We'll have a selection of cold cuts, as well as all the fixings for you to make your own delicious sandwich. Between bites, we'll also be playing a fun trivia competition.

Date: Tuesday, March 3

Time: 11:30AM-1:00PM

Fee: \$12

Grandparent/Grandchild Bingo NEW

If you have a grandchild or great-grandchild who is already bored out of their mind during their Spring Break, we have a fun opportunity for both of you! Spend some quality time together while also competing against each other during our Grandparent/Grandchild Bingo event. A perfect way to bond across generations, this event is open to school-aged kids ages 5 and up and their grandparent(s). We look forward to helping in the creation of some nice family memories. Snacks and beverages will be provided.

Date: Tuesday, March 24

Time: 10:00-11:30AM

Fee: \$10 per pair



Baseball Opening Day Lunch

Calling all baseball fans! Today is Major League Baseball's Opening Day! A day that symbolizes hope and optimism, a new beginning, and a fresh start in which we can all still hope that our favorite team can be World Series champions! No matter who you root for, let's come together for a ballpark-inspired lunch, some nostalgic baseball discussion, topped off with a little baseball-related trivia challenge and other friendly games.

Date: Thursday, March 26

Time: 11:30AM-1:00PM

Fee: \$12

Retro Tunes Musical Bingo: Songs from the '70s & '80s Presented by Bloomington Public Library Staff

Ages 55+

Join Bloomington Public Library staff for Retro Tunes: Musical Bingo. This isn't your usual game of Bingo! Join us for an afternoon of dancing, prizes, and the best sing-along hits that defined the 1970s and 1980s. No trivia skills needed—just listen, recognize the jams, and mark your Bingo card. **This is a FREE event, however advanced registration is required!**

Date: Tuesday, April 21

Time: 2:00-3:15PM

Fee: Free (Pre-registration is required)

Bloomington Public Library



Health & Fitness Center

Neuro Fitness

Ages 55+

This 8-week, neuro-based yoga class caters to individuals living with a variety of neurological challenges such as Multiple Sclerosis, Traumatic Brain Injury, Stroke, Central Nervous System Lupus, Postural Orthostatic Tachycardia Syndrome, Functional Neurological Disorder, and other neurological conditions.

Safely engage in yoga postures, breathing exercises, and meditation practices that are adapted to your unique abilities and limitations. Goals include developing strength, balance, mobility, and neuromotor skills. Individuals will be evaluated to determine they have the appropriate physical and cognitive abilities to participate independently in a group setting.

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

Day: Wednesdays

Time: 4:00-5:00PM

Dates: 1/7-2/25

Fee: \$99

Italian Beef Day

Can you believe there is a National Italian Beef Day?

We don't need a day to tell us to enjoy a slowly cooked Italian Beef on a delicious roll, completed with giardiniera, mozzarella, and juice on the side. But now that it's on the calendar, we might as well! Come on out as we enjoy lunch together, while also playing a few games and winning some fun prizes!

Date: Friday, May 22

Time: 11:30AM-1:00PM

Fee: \$12



Wits Workout

Ages 55+

You are never too young or too old to start training your brain! Explore interactive activities designed to exercise the brain to maintain and enhance your cognitive function and memory.

Wits Workout has two main goals:

- Provide purposeful opportunities for older adults to engage intellectually.
- Increase socialization through ongoing group participation.

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

Date: Thursday, January 15

Time: 11:00AM-12:00PM

Fee: \$10

Please Note:

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

Older Adult Trips

Ages 55+

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 in 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.

Day	Time	Date	Fee
W	8:15AM-12:00PM	2/11	\$15
W	8:15AM-12:00PM	3/4	\$15
W	8:15AM-12:00PM	4/1	\$15
W	8:15AM-12:00PM	5/20	\$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.

Day	Time	Date	Fee
W	10:15AM-4:00PM	2/18	\$15
W	10:15AM-4:00PM	3/18	\$15
W	10:15AM-4:00PM	4/15	\$15



Let's Hit the Road: "Love is in the Air" Lunch Edition

Let us take you and your special someone out to a nice out-of-town lunch to help celebrate Valentine's Day a day early. This couple's trip will be a great opportunity to enjoy some time with your significant other while not having to worry about making any of the plans! While our surprise lunch destination might not feature a romantic, candlelight dining experience, couples should still expect to have a nice time.

Date: Friday, February 13

Time: 10:30AM-2:30PM

Fee: \$15 per person (couples must sign up as individuals)



Circa '21 Dinner Playhouse: Lucky Stiff

Join us as we venture west to Rock Island, Illinois to visit the Circa '21 Dinner Playhouse, a historic, century old theater that provides a taste of Broadway along the banks of the Mississippi. We'll enjoy a matinee show of the laugh out loud, hilarious murder mystery, "Lucky Stiff". This farcical comedy featuring mistaken identities, love interests, and a cast of eccentric characters, "Lucky Stiff" is a sublimely silly and highly entertaining show. The show includes lunch (your choice of three entrees), drinks, dessert, and pre-paid gratuity.

Location: Circa '21 (Rock Island, IL)

Date: Wednesday, February 25

Time: 8:30AM-6:30PM

Fee: \$83

Westclox Museum

The Westclox Museum, located in Peru, Illinois, is dedicated to the preservation and display of collections of products, documents, photos, antiques, and the overall history of the Western Clock Company, better known as Westclox. Join us for the unique experience where you're sure to have a good "time"! After touring the museum, we will stop somewhere in the area for lunch (not included in price) before heading back home.

Location: Westclox Museum (Peru, IL)

Date: Friday, March 13

Time: 9:00AM-2:15PM

Fee: \$19



The Barn III Conklin Dinner Theater: The Game Show

We're heading to see a Sunday matinee with Conklin's Dinner Theater at The Barn III in Goodfield. We are scheduled to see "The Game Show". Come on down! This fast-paced, heartfelt original comedy parodies some of the most iconic game shows to ever hit the airwaves. Expect an afternoon of hilarity where everyone leaves a winner! Fee includes transportation, full meal and drinks, dessert, and pre-paid gratuity.

Location: The Barn III (Goodfield, IL)

Date: Sunday, March 15

Time: 10:45AM-4:15PM

Fee: \$85



National Picnic Day: Progressive Parks Lunch

April 23 is National Picnic Day – a day to encourage people to pack a meal and enjoy it outdoors with friends and family. While we aren't asking you to pack your own picnic blanket and basket, we do encourage you to join in our comradery as we venture out to four Bloomington parks throughout the afternoon. Each park will feature a separate food item for you to enjoy, from appetizers to dessert! Dress accordingly as we will plan on being outside while enjoying our progressive meals in open-air shelters within the parks.

Location: Various Parks around Bloomington

Date: Thursday, April 23

Time: 10:45AM-2:45PM

Fee: \$15



Route 24 Rendezvous

Spend the day traveling and enjoying small-town Illinois. We'll be making stops in various towns and villages along Route 24 from El Paso to Chatsworth, and nearly everywhere in between! We will plan to visit some interesting and unique sites and shops. The full-day experience will include quick stops for breakfast AND lunch. Program fee does not include the meals or gratuity.

Location: Route 24

Date: Wednesday April 29

Time: 8:00AM-4:45PM

Fee: \$20



Fresh Air Friday: Fugate Woods Nature Preserve

Get out of town and enjoy some quality fresh air and great scenery, all while experiencing the calmness and tranquility of our natural environment. Wear comfortable shoes and dress accordingly as we will be spending time outdoors. The amount of walking involved will be a personal decision for each participant. Picnic lunch will be provided in between your time enjoying the peaceful trails of Fugate Woods. Return time listed is an approximation.

Location: Fugate Woods (Fairbury, IL)

Date: Friday, May 1

Time: 9:30AM-3:00PM

Fee: \$18



Harmony Dinner Theater – Leader of the Pack: The Ellie Greenwich Musical

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. The happy, high-spirited, foot-stomping romp of a show celebrates the life and times of Ellie Greenwich. This musical retrospective features classic doo-wop sounds that skyrocketed to the top of the '60s charts.

Location: Harmony Theater (Hillsboro, IN)

Date: Wednesday, May 6

Time: 9:00AM-5:00PM

Fee: \$73



Wildlife Prairie Park

Enjoy a fun day as we get out and about in the great outdoors while taking part in several interactive, nature-oriented experiences, including the chance to get an up-close look at some magnificent animals such as the park's resident elk and bison. While part of our experience will be guided and tour-based, there will also be some time to do some exploring on your own. Trip fee includes park admission and an adventure trek tour. Other add-on experiences can be purchased on site. We will make a stop for a late lunch on our way back home (lunch not included in fee).

Location: Wildlife Prairie Park (Hanna City)

Date: Tuesday, May 12

Time: 8:45AM-3:30PM

Fee: \$38





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The Den Palmer Room

Enjoy the beautiful banquet room overlooking The Den Golf Course for your meeting or family get-together. The renter is responsible for room arrangement and clean-up afterwards. Rental time includes set-up and take down.

To arrange a time to view the facility and/or to make reservations, contact The Den at (309) 434-2300. Banquet/Meeting Room: Seating 168. Open year-round. Call (309) 434-2317 for rates.



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Fees are subject to change.

Group Rates

Advanced registration is required, restrictions apply. Please call (309) 434-2250 for more information.

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!

Tortoise and Anteater Feedings

Tortoise Feedings are at 11:30AM.

Anteater Feedings are at 3:00PM.

**Contact the Zoo at (309) 434-2250
to reserve your spot!**

Gift certificates are available!



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.



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Miller Park Zoo Fall Events

Checkmates! Chess Club

All Ages Welcome

Join us on the first Tuesday of the month for a game of chess at Miller Park Zoo. The idea is you play the game while hanging out with our animals! Each month, we will rotate between different animal buildings. We provide the game board and snacks. You are also welcome to bring your own board. This is an opportunity to play against other chess enthusiasts. There will be no instructions on how to play the game. This opportunity is for all ages and skill levels. **We do request that an adult accompany all children under 16 years of age.**

Day	Time	Date	Fee
T	5:30-7:30PM	1/6	\$5
T	5:30-7:30PM	2/3	\$5
T	5:30-7:30PM	3/3	\$5
T	5:30-7:30PM	4/7	\$5
T	5:30-7:30PM	5/5	\$5



Senior Tours

Ages 55+

Grab your coffee and come to the Zoo for a brisk morning walk. Join other seniors as we walk through the Zoo and learn about animals. Our trained volunteer tour guide will lead you on a tour of two animals. There is no need to register in advance.

Your guide will meet you at the Zoo entrance. If more information is needed, please email Silvia Schuh sschuh@cityblm.org or call (309) 434-2826. Large groups are welcome, but please call ahead to register.

Day	Time	Date	Fee
W	8:30-9:30AM	1/14	\$5 (Free for MPZS)
W	8:30-9:30AM	2/11	\$5 (Free for MPZS)
W	8:30-9:30PM	3/11	\$5 (Free for MPZS)
W	8:30-9:30PM	4/8	\$5 (Free for MPZS)
W	8:30-9:30PM	5/13	\$5 (Free for MPZS)

Volunteer Round-Up Open House

Ages 15+

Join us for an opportunity to learn what it takes to become a volunteer at Miller Park Zoo. There will be a short presentation describing the opportunities we offer. We have jobs in animal care, building projects, light data entry, and events. If you want a meaningful way to give back to our amazing community, this is the place for you. This informational meeting is set up as a come-and-go, open-house style event. You are not required to stay the entire time. For more information, please email Silvia Schuh at sschuh@cityblm.org.

Day	Time	Date	Fee
T	5:30-6:30PM	1/20	Free
SA	10:00-11:00AM	1/24	Free



FlexZOObility Yoga Class

All Ages Welcome

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to have a yoga session at the Zoo? Join the animals and Nonny, owner of Universe Yoga and Healing, for a session of yoga. Nonny is certified in Reiki/Chakra balancing/Crystal Healing. Her group class sessions are gentle and safe, in a supportive environment. Please register soon as this activity will fill up fast. All skill levels are welcome!

Day	Time	Date	Fee
SA	8:30-9:30AM	1/3	\$15
SA	8:30-9:30AM	2/7	\$15
SA	8:30-9:30AM	3/7	\$15
SA	8:30-9:30AM	4/4	\$15
SA	8:30-9:30AM	5/2	\$15



Party for the Planet Earth Day

All Ages Welcome

Join us as we celebrate Earth Day! There will be fun activities to help us celebrate our amazing planet. You will also have an opportunity to vote for your favorite recycled art sculpture. Voting will take place from 10:00AM to 4:00PM in the Main Event Room at the Zoo.

Date: Saturday, April 25

Time: 12:00-2:00PM

Fee: Free with Zoo Admission



Party for the Planet Recycled Art Sculpture Contest

All Ages Welcome

Calling all artists! After last year's great participation from the community, Miller Park Zoo will once again host the Recycled Art Sculpture Contest. The idea is to use recycled materials (plastic containers, paper, wood, etc.) to build an art sculpture. We are asking that the theme for your sculpture be an animal form of your choice! There will also be a prize (TBD) for four age brackets. Bring your sculpture to the Zoo no later than Friday, April 24th (9:30-4:30PM). The sculptures will be voted on by the visiting guests of Miller Park Zoo on April 19. All artist entries must be pre-registered.

Please email Silvia Schuh at sschuh@cityblm.org to register or for more information.

Date: Saturday, April 25

Time: 10:00AM-4:00PM

Fee: Free to participate



Pollinators Rock!

All Ages Welcome

Come out and learn about the importance of preserving our local pollinators and endangered plant species in our area. You will learn what Miller Park Zoo is doing in the fight to attract and protect local pollinators and local endangered plant species. We will also be passing out starter plants for your own pollinator garden (while supplies last, one plant per guest).

Date: Saturday, May 2

Time: 10:00AM-12:00PM

Fee: Free with Zoo Admission



Endangered Species Day

All Ages Welcome

Join us as our Zookeepers talk about Miller Park Zoo's effort to save endangered species. Learn about the animals we are helping by playing a scavenger hunt game. You can pick up your game card as you check in at admissions. There will be a small prize for all completed forms.

Date: Saturday, May 16

Time: 12:00-2:00PM

Fee: Free with Zoo Admission

Endangered Species Coalition Chalk Art Contest

All Ages Welcome

In honor of Endangered Species Day, Miller Park Zoo is partnering with the Endangered Species Coalition. Miller Park Zoo will be a host site for anyone who would like to enter the contest. We will provide the space and supplies, you provide the creativity. This contest is open to all ages. **To learn more and to register for this event, contact Silvia Schuh at sschuh@cityblm.org.**

Date: Saturday, May 16

Time: 10:00AM-3:00PM

Fee: Free with Zoo Admission



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 never repeats but 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.

Classes are identical in each session, so register for only one class per month.

***Children must be at least three years old to participate.**

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

Day	Time	Date	Fee
F	10:00-11:00AM	1/30	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child
F	1:00-2:00PM	1/30	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child
F	5:00-6:00PM	1/30	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child
SA	9:00-10:00AM	1/31	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child
SA	10:30-11:30AM	1/31	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child
SA	1:00-2:00PM	1/31	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child
F	10:00-11:00AM	2/27	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child
F	1:00-2:00PM	2/27	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child
F	5:00-6:00PM	2/27	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child
SA	9:00-10:00AM	2/28	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child
SA	10:30-11:30AM	2/28	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child
SA	1:00-2:00PM	2/28	MPZS Members: \$10/child; Nonmembers: \$15/child

Zoo Explorers

Ages 6-11

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

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

Class	Day	Time	Date	Fee
Herbivores	M	9:00-11:00AM	1/19	MPZS Members: \$20/child; Nonmembers: \$30/child
Herbivores	M	1:00-3:00PM	1/19	MPZS Members: \$20/child; Nonmembers: \$30/child
Carnivores	M	9:00-11:00AM	2/16	MPZS Members: \$20/child; Nonmembers: \$30/child
Carnivores	M	1:00-3:00PM	2/16	MPZS Members: \$20/child; Nonmembers: \$30/child



Friday Night Twilight Safari **NEW**

Ages 6-12

Parents, plan a night out while your child enjoys an evening at the zoo! Participants will make friends (human and animal!), join in fun activities, and learn more about wildlife. A meal from zoo concessions will be included in registration fee with chips and a drink. Students will choose between a hotdog, chicken fingers, soft pretzel and mozzarella sticks at drop off. An animal video will be played to wind down after activities and before pickup. Come to one, come to all! Curriculum will differ each session. Wear comfy play clothes and bring a cozy blanket for wind down if you'd like.



Day	Time	Date	Fee
F	5:30-8:00PM	2/6	MPZS Members: \$30/per child; Nonmembers: \$35/child
F	5:30-8:00PM	2/13	MPZS Members: \$30/per child; Nonmembers: \$35/child
F	5:30-8:00PM	2/20	MPZS Members: \$30/per child; Nonmembers: \$35/child

Spring Break Discover Camp: Animal Championships

Ages 6-11

Animal Champions is our theme for the day! We'll learn which Miller Park Zoo animals are the best athletes & see how well we would compete against them. Along the way, we'll meet Zoo animals, make a craft, & 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 & wear play clothes.

Curriculum is identical each session, so please only register for one day of camp.

Day	Time	Date	Fee
T	9:00AM-3:00PM	3/24	Family MPZS Members: \$60/child; Nonmembers: \$70/child
W	9:00AM-3:00PM	3/25	Family MPZS Members: \$60/child; Nonmembers: \$70/child
TH	9:00AM-3:00PM	3/26	Family MPZS Members: \$60/child; Nonmembers: \$70/child

Junior Zookeepers

Grades 5+ • March 3rd, 4th and 5th

The Junior Zookeeper program is for young people who want to learn more about wildlife and how a zoo works. JZKs begin by attending a one-week educational summer camp and can eventually become volunteers at Miller Park Zoo! **Students currently in 5th grade or higher are eligible to begin this summer.**



Space in the program is limited, so all interested students and their parent/guardian must attend one informational meeting in order to receive application materials.

Meetings will be held at the Miller Park Pavilion on March 3, 4, and 5, from 6:30-7:30PM.

Choose the meeting date that fits your schedule; no reservation is required.

Doors will close and no one may enter after 6:35PM.

Contact Julia Benzel at jbenzel@cityblm.org or call (309) 434-2256 with questions.

Please visit MillerParkZoo.org for more information.





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.

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We can bring our animal encounter program to you! Choose a topic that fits your curriculum or we can just "show and tell"! Maximum group size is 40 students per program, 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 or (309) 434-2256.

FREE FRIDAYS IN FEBRUARY!

Back by popular demand, Miller Park Zoo will have FREE admission on Fridays. Admission only is free all day!

No need to register, just come on over.
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Open Skate Schedule



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Weekday Open Skate

Mondays-Fridays 11:30AM-1:00PM
Extended on 1/19 for MLK Jr. Day
(11:00AM-2:30PM)

Weekend Open Skates

Fridays: 6:30-8:00PM

Saturdays: 12:30-2:00PM

Sundays: 2:30-4:00PM

(No Open Skates on 1/29, 1/30,
1/31, 2/6, and 2/7).

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

The Coolest Group Outings!

Whether you bring your friends, family, organization or club, the Bloomington Ice Center is the perfect place for fun. Call us at (309) 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.

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 Bloomington Ice Center Team!



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

Special Themed Open Skates

Winter Games Celebration Skate

Sunday, January 25, 2:30-4:00PM

Join us as we celebrate the kickoff of the Winter Games! Enjoy an exciting day on the ice filled with fun and American spirit. Try your hand at on-ice games, curling challenges, and more! Concessions will be available for purchase, and you can learn how to get involved in the sport of skating—from beginner classes to advanced opportunities. Come skate, play, and cheer on USA with us!



Sweetheart Skate

Saturday, February 14, 12:30-2:00PM

Bring that special someone to the rink for a romantic afternoon of skating! We'll be serving up sweet treats along with your favorite love songs and photo backdrop! This will be a memorable day for everyone to celebrate love and friendship on the ice.



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Saint Paddy's Skate

Saturday, March 14, 12:30-2:00PM

A leprechaun has sprinkled the rink in green decor! Come skate to Irish tunes, enjoy specialty treats and enroll in our best dressed leprechaun contest! Skaters who dress in green receive \$1.00 off admission.



Superheroes and Royalty

Saturday, April 18, 12:30-2:00PM

Come dressed as your favorite princess character or superhero. There will be fun music and a photo station to bring your costumes to life! Those who dress in costume will receive \$1.00 off admission.



American Girl Doll Skate

Saturday, May 16, 12:30-2:00PM

Bring your favorite stuffed animal or doll to skate for an afternoon of enjoyment! Skaters and their dolls will enjoy a free hot chocolate, cookie and amenities that include a bracelet & babysitting station! Please pre-register online: BloomingtonParks.org.

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Learn to Skate

Pre-School Ice Explorers

Ages 2-5

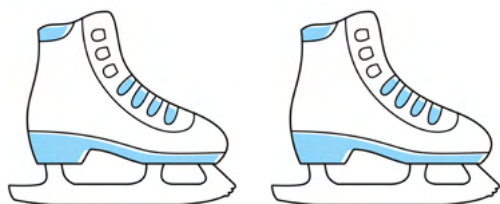
Join us for a fun introduction to the ice with helpful direction from our instructors. Skaters will participate in coloring activities, field trips around the rink and on-ice obstacle courses!

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!

Registration Opens December 4



Blades 1-6

Ages 6-13

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 14+

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.

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 if you have any questions.

Specialty Learn to Skate Classes

Registration Opens December 4

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 program 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.

Find dates, times, and fees for Create a Routine on page 48.



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.

Find dates, times, and fees for Skating Skills for Figure Skaters on page 48.

Theatre on Ice: Bloomington Pops

Pre-requisite: Blades 3/Tots 3

Skaters will be exposed to diverse styles of choreography through musical programs. All participants must be a member of USFS basic skills. Skaters will learn and refine routines that will be performed at figure skating exhibitions on March 7 and May 16. Additional fees will apply for costumes.

Day: Tuesday

Session 1 Dates: 1/6-3/3

Session 2 Dates: 3/10-5/12 (not 3/24)

Time: 5:00-5:30PM

Fee: \$90 (Payment Plans available online)

Learn to Compete

Pre-requisite: Blades 3/Tots 3/Adults

Skaters will learn a choreographed routine to music, which will be polished and performed in the Illinois Basic Skills competition series. This program introduces skaters to the excitement of competing, builds confidence, and enhances individual skating skills—all while promoting teamwork, sportsmanship, and a sense of accomplishment. A parent information meeting will be held before the event to ensure families have everything they need for a positive competition experience.

- 1) Skaters receive a professional choreographed routine to music
- 2) A copy of their skating music (to practice)
- 3) Certified USFS skating coach will put child out for competition
- 4) Receive an award for competing
- 5) One half-hour skating lessons
- 6) Four FREE ½ hour freestyle practice sessions (valued at \$25)

Day: Saturday

Dates: 2/14-5/3 (Not 3/28 and 4/4)

Competition Dates: 5/1/26-5/3/26

Time: 11:50AM-12:20PM (4/11: 8:10-8:40AM)

Fee: \$120 (doesn't include competition entry fee)



Private Lessons

All Ages Welcome

The Bloomington Ice Center is excited to offer one-on-one private lessons to your skaters! Skaters of all ages and levels in both hockey and figure skating can benefit from private lessons. The personalized attention you get from a coach helps you to learn and progress at an accelerated rate. Plus, each session is tailored to you or your skater's goals and ability level. Booster lessons are \$24 per lesson, including ice time and skate rental.

Interested in getting started with private lessons for you or your child? Please contact the Skating Director at ldanner@cityblm.org to get started!

Learn to Skate Winter/Spring Session Schedule

Registration Opens December 4

Winter 1

Class	Day	Dates	Time	Fee
Ice Explorers	TH	1/8-1/22	10:00-10:30AM	\$36
Tots 1-3	T	1/6-2/3	5:30-6:00PM	\$60
Tots 1-3	W	1/7-2/4	5:00-5:40PM	\$65
Tots 1-3	F	1/9-1/23	5:00-5:40PM	\$39
Tots 1-3	SA	1/10-1/24	10:20-11:00AM	\$39
Blades 1-6	T	1/6-2/3	6:00-6:30PM	\$60
Blades 1	W	1/7-2/4	5:00-5:40PM	\$65
Blades 1-6	F	1/9-1/23	5:40-6:20PM	\$39
Blades 1-6	SA	1/10-1/24	11:10-11:50AM	\$39
Jump & Spin	T	1/6-2/3	5:30-6:00PM	\$60
Jump & Spin	SA	1/10-1/24	11:10-11:50AM	\$39
Teen/Adult Advance	T	1/6-2/3	5:00-5:45PM	\$68
Teen/Adult	T	1/6-2/3	5:45-6:30PM	\$68
Teen/Adult	F	1/9-1/23	5:00-5:40PM	\$39
Skating Skills for Figure Skaters	SA	1/10-1/24	11:50AM-12:20PM	\$39

Winter 2

Class	Day	Winter 2	Time	Fee
Ice Explorers	TH	2/12-3/19	10:00-10:30AM	\$70
Tots 1-3	T	2/10-3/17	5:30-6:00PM	\$70
Tots 1-3	W	2/11-3/18	5:00-5:40PM	\$79
Tots 1-3	F	2/13-3/20	5:00-5:40PM	\$79
Tots 1-3	SA	2/14-3/21	10:20-11:00AM	\$79
Blades 1-6	T	2/10-3/17	6:00-6:30PM	\$70
Blades 1	W	2/11-3/18	5:00-5:40PM	\$79
Blades 1-6	F	2/13-3/20	5:40-6:20PM	\$79
Blades 1-6	SA	2/14-3/21	11:10-11:50AM	\$79
Jump & Spin	T	2/10-3/17	5:30-6:00PM	\$70
Jump & Spin	SA	2/14-3/21	11:10-11:50AM	\$79
Teen/Adult Advance	T	2/10-3/17	5:00-5:45PM	\$80
Teen/Adult	T	2/10-3/17	5:45-6:30PM	\$80
Teen/Adult	F	2/13-3/20	5:00-5:40PM	\$80
Create a Routine Class	SA	2/14-3/21	11:50AM-12:20PM	\$79
Learn to Compete	SA	2/14-5/2 (not 3/28)	11:50AM-12:20PM	\$120
Adult Learn to Compete	SA	2/14-5/2 (not 3/28)	11:50AM-12:20PM	\$120

Spring

Class	Day	Spring	Time	Fee
Ice Explorers	TH	4/2-5/7	10:00-10:30AM	\$70
Tots 1-3	T	3/31-5/5	5:30-6:00PM	\$70
Tots 1-3	W	4/1-5/6	5:00-5:40PM	\$79
Tots 1-3	F	4/10-5/15	5:00-5:40PM	\$79
Tots 1-3	SA	4/11-5/16	9:30-10:10AM	\$79
Blades 1-6	T	3/31-5/5	6:00-6:30PM	\$70
Blades 1	W	4/1-5/6	5:00-5:40PM	\$79
Blades 1-6	F	4/10-5/15	5:40-6:20PM	\$79
Blades 1-6	SA	4/11-5/16	8:40-9:20AM	\$79
Teen/Adult Advance	T	3/31-5/5	5:00-5:45PM	\$80
Teen/Adult	T	3/31-5/5	5:45-6:30PM	\$80
Teen/Adult	F	4/10-5/15	5:00-5:40PM	\$80
Jump & Spin	T	3/31-5/5	5:30-6:00PM	\$70
Jump & Spin	SA	4/11-5/16	8:40-9:20AM	\$79
Create a Routine	SA	4/11-5/16	8:10AM-8:40PM	\$79

Learn to Play Hockey

Registration Opens December 4

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

Ages 3-5

Pre-requisite: Tots 1

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

Hockey Learn to Play

Ages 6-14

Pre-requisite: Tots 1 or Blades 1

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.



Required Equipment

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

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 for rental equipment arrangements.

Learn to Play Hockey Winter/Spring Schedule

Registration Opens December 4

Winter/Spring

Class	Day	Dates	Time	Fee
Tots 1	Multiple	Find dates, times, and fees for Learn to Skate on page 48		
Blades 1	Multiple	Find dates, times, and fees for Learn to Skate on page 48		

Winter 1

Class	Day	Dates	Time	Fee
Hockey Tots	W/SA	1/7-1/24	W: 5:00-5:40PM SA: 10:20-11:00AM	\$78
Hockey Learn to Play	W/SA	1/7-1/24	W: 5:00-5:40PM SA: 10:20-11:00AM	\$78
Teen/Adult Hockey Learn to Play	W	1/14-3/4 (Not 1/28, 2/4)	8:40-9:40PM	\$99

Winter 2

Class	Day	Dates	Time	Fee
Hockey Tots	W	2/11-3/18	5:00-5:40PM	\$78
Hockey Tots	SA	2/14-3/21	10:20-11:00AM	\$78
Hockey Learn to Play	W	2/11-3/18	5:00-5:40PM	\$78
Hockey Learn to Play	SA	2/14-3/21	10:20-11:00AM	\$78
Teen/Adult Hockey Learn to Play	W	3/11-4/22 (Not 3/25)	8:40-9:40PM	\$99

Spring 1

Class	Day	Dates	Time	Fee
Hockey Tots	W	4/1-5/6	5:00-5:40PM	\$78
Hockey Tots	SA	5/2-6/6	9:30-10:10AM	\$78
Hockey Learn to Play	W	4/1-5/6	5:00-5:40PM	\$78
Hockey Learn to Play	SA	5/2-6/6	9:30-10:10AM	\$78
Teen/Adult Hockey Learn to Play	W	4/29-6/3	8:40-9:40PM	\$99

Try Hockey For Free Day

Ages 4-12

Bloomington Ice Center proudly presents National Try Hockey for Free Day in partnership with USA Hockey on March 7th. This event is designed to provide kids, between the ages of 4 to 12, a completely free experience to try youth hockey. Equipment is available to borrow. 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.

Pre-registration is required. To register, please visit: tryhockeyforfree.com/event_detail/3493

Date: Saturday, March 7

Time: 2:15-3:00PM

Fee: Free (Pre-registration is required)



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 a session, it is recommended that you complete a Learn to Skate program prior to starting Little Blackhawks. Learn to Skate Tots 1 and Blades 1 classes for the Winter 1 start January 7th.

The Little Blackhawks program includes 8 weeks of lessons and a full set of equipment! Weekly sessions are run by ice rink staff and local coaches.

Registration Fees Include:

- Eight (8) weeks of ice time and lessons
- Brand-new head-to-toe equipment to keep.
- Blackhawks discounted ticket offer

Registration must be done online.

Day: Saturday

Dates: 3/14-5/16 (Not 3/28, 4/4)

Time: 2:10-3:00 PM

Fee: \$298 + Processing Fees



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 for prices, monthly schedule, and times.



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2026 Spring Hockey Clinics

Registration Opens December 4

Please Note: For all of the Clinic/Camps and/or Leagues listed below full hockey equipment is required. Bloomington Ice Center has rental equipment available for a \$25 fee, plus deposit.

Skill Enhancement Clinic and 3 on 3

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 for the first half of this clinic. The second half will split into teams to play 3 on 3 cross ice hockey. **Full ice hockey equipment is required.**

Session	Day	Time	Dates	Fee
Winter	SA	9:20-10:10AM	3/14-3/21	\$35
Spring 1	SA	10:15-11:05 AM	4/11-4/25	\$45
Spring 2	SA	10:15-11:05 AM	5/2-5/16	\$45

Skills, Skating, and Scrimmage Clinic

Ages 8-15

Want to keep active in the offseason but still have the fun of games? This once a week clinic will 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, please email Brian Ludy at bludy@cityblm.org for reduced fees.**

Day: Thursday

Dates: 4/2-4/30

Time: 7:10-8:00PM

Fee: \$75



Youth & Adult Hockey Leagues

All players must be 2025-26 or 2026-27 members of the USA Hockey in order to participate in the Youth and Adult Leagues. To register as a USA Hockey player, go to USAHockey.com. This number will be required to register.

Youth Hockey Leagues

Registration Dates: 12/1/25-4/1/26

The youth spring leagues will be played using the 2026-27 age groups to help the players better prepare for the upcoming fall season. Playing in the 3 on 3 or full ice leagues in the spring will not affect eligibility to play with other travel or tournament teams during the spring.

Youth Spring 3 on 3 and Full Ice League Registration Dates:

Residents: 12/1/25-4/1/26

Non-Residents: 12/1/25-4/1/26

Youth Spring Full Ice League

8U/10U

Bloomington Ice Center will run an 8U and 10U youth full ice league that will skate for seven weeks (seven practices, six games), April 1-May 16. Depending on registration numbers, teams will be drafted as evenly as possible or split weekly. Each team will practice once during the week on Thursdays, and play a full ice game on Saturday afternoons. Age groups may be combined based on registration numbers. All games will be played at the Bloomington Ice Center or Arena. The individual player fee for the league is \$245. Goalie fees are \$99.

Youth Spring 3 on 3 League

6U/8U, 10U, 12U, and 14U/16U/18U

Bloomington Ice Center will run a cross ice or half ice 3 on 3 league based on age that will skate for seven weeks (seven practices, six games), April 1-May 16. Teams will be formed at the 6U/8U, 10U, 12U, 14U, 16U, and 18U levels based on 2026-27 USA Hockey Age Classifications. Teams will be drafted as evenly as possible. Each team will practice once during the week on Wednesdays, and play a full ice or cross ice game each Saturday morning or afternoon. All games will be played at the Bloomington Ice Center or Arena. Fees based on age group are available online. Goalie fees are \$99.

Thank you to our sponsors who helped offset some of the costs of the Bloomington Recreational Hockey League this past year:

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Adult Hockey Leagues

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

Adult League Winter 2026

Ages 18+

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

Players will register as an individual and the Bloomington Ice Center and Adult League Captains will form three divisions (low skill, intermediate, and high skill) and teams as evenly as possible. The first week will be evaluations, with captains drafting teams during the following week. Most games will be on Sundays. A game on weeknights or Saturday nights may be necessary to play the 12 games. Teams will be a max of 15 players and minimum of 10 players. Players will play 13 total ice times. Fees include one jersey per year (three seasons), officials, score keepers, and ice time. Evaluation times will be sent out on the Thursday prior to Evaluations to registered emails and will also be updated online.

Day: Sundays (Weeknight and Saturday games may be scheduled in March)

Dates: 1/4/25-3/29/25 (Not 2/8)

Times: 4:10-11:30PM (games between these times)

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

There will be a \$15 discount for re-enrolled players from the Fall 2025 Adult League.

Register online before January 2 to take advantage of a two-payment option (pay \$110 when registering and \$110 on January 31).

Adult Spring 3 on 3 League

Ages 18+

Registration Dates: 12/1/25-4/7/26

Individuals will form their own team of six skaters and one goalie. The Adult League Committee will form four to six divisions. Games will be played on Sunday evenings. Each team will play two 30-minute games each week against different opponents. The games will be played cross ice with two or three games going on at once. Each game will consist of warm up and two 11-minute running time periods. Teams will play 12 total games. Please contact Brian Ludy at bludy@cityblm.org for individuals looking for teams. Players must register by April 3, 2026.

Day: Sundays

Dates: 4/12-5/17

Time: 4:15-9:40PM (games times will start between these times)

Fee: Individual: \$110; Team: \$675





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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®

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.



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. 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

Park Services & Amenities

L = Lighted
P = Permanent

			Baseball/Softball Diamond	Basketball Court	Drinking Fountain	Fishing Lake	Football Field	Multi-Purpose Area	Native Prairie	Parking Lot	Picnic Shelter	Picnic Tables	Playground	Restroom	Soccer Field	Splashpads	Tennis Courts	Walk Path or Trail Access
1	Airport Park	3010 Winchester Dr	x	x	x			x		x	x	x	x		x			
2	Alton Depot Park	101 S Western Ave									x	x	x					x
3	Angler's Lake Nature Preserve	1017 S Mercer St				x			x									x
4	Atwood Wayside	303 N Robinson St			x					x	x	x		x				x
5	Bloomington HS Tennis Cts	606 Towanda Ave														8L		
6	Bittner Park	3807 Rave Rd	x	x	x			x		x	x	x	x	x				x
7	Brookridge Park	2904 Ireland Grove Rd		x	x			x		x	x	x	x		x			x
8	Buck-Mann Park	116 Weldon St		x				x					x					
9	Clearwater Park	2716 Clearwater Ave		x	x			x		x	x	x	x	x	x			x
	Constitution Trail				x							x		x				x
10	Eagle Crest Park	2506 Chesapeake Ln		x	x						x	x	x					
11	Eagle View Park	4001 Baywood Rd	2	x	x			x		x	x	x	x	x	x			x
12	Emerson Park	717 Bell St											x					
13	Empire Junction	713 1/2 E Empire St			x			x	x	x		x						x
14	Evergreen Park	1205 Forrest St			x								x					
15	Ewing I	1420 Towanda Ave			x			x	x	x	x	x	x	P				x
16	Ewing II	1001 Ethell Pkwy	2		x		x		x	x	x	x	x	P	x			x
17	Ewing III	901 Jersey Ave						x	x									
18	Fell Avenue Park	1301 Fell Ave		x	x						x	x	x					
19	Forrest Park	1813 Springfield Rd			x					x	4	x	x	P				
20	Franklin Park	302 E Chestnut St			x							x	x					
21	Friendship Park	719 W Jefferson St									x	x	x					
22	Gaelic Park	3102 Cave Creek Rd	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x			x
23	Holiday Park	800 S McGregor St			x	x				x	2	x	x					
24	Marie Litta Park	317 S Gridley St			x						x	x	x					
25	McGraw Park	3202 Cornelius Dr	4		x	x		x		x	x	x	x	P	x	x	6L	x
26	Miller Park	1020 S Morris Ave	x		x	x		x		x	x	x	x	P		x		
27	Northpoint School Park	2602 E College Ave	x		x		x	x		x	2	x	x	x	x			
28	O'Neil Park	1515 W Chestnut St	3	x	x			x		x	x	x	x	P		x		
29	Oakland School Park	1605 E Oakland Ave	x										x					
30	PJ Irvin Park	1601 McKay Dr							x	x	x	x	x	x				
31	Pepper Ridge Park	2502 Fox Creek Rd	2L	x	x		x			x	x	x	x	x	x			
32	Rollingbrook Park	1002 S Hershey Rd	x	x	x			x		x	x	x	x	x	x		3	x
33	Stevenson School Park	2106 Arrowhead Dr	x	x	x				x		x	x	x	x			3L	
34	Suburban East Park	3011 Lisa Dr	x	x	x						x	x	x		x			
35	Sunnyside Park	407 E Erickson Ave	x	x	x			x		x			x					
36	Sweeney Park	3901 Pamela Dr			x			x			x	x	x					x
37	Tipton Park North	2201 Stone Mountain Blvd	2	x	x				x	x	x	x	x	P	x	x		x
38	Tipton Park South	2410 General Electric Rd			x	x			x	x	x	x	x	x				x
39	Westwood Park	2301 Ridge Creek Rd																
40	White Oak Park	1514 Cottage Ave	x		x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	Px	x			x
41	Withers Park	204 E Washington St										x						
42	Wittenberg Park	509 Lutz Rd			x	x					x	x	x					x
43	Woodbury Park	1214 Woodbury Pl			x						x	x	x					

Sand Volleyball

Sand Volleyball

Hedge Apple Woods

Sledding Hill

Disc Golf

National Historic Site

Pool

Butterfly Garden

Aquatics Center, Skate Park

Disc Golf

Inclusive Playground, 9 Pickleball Courts

Born Learning Trail

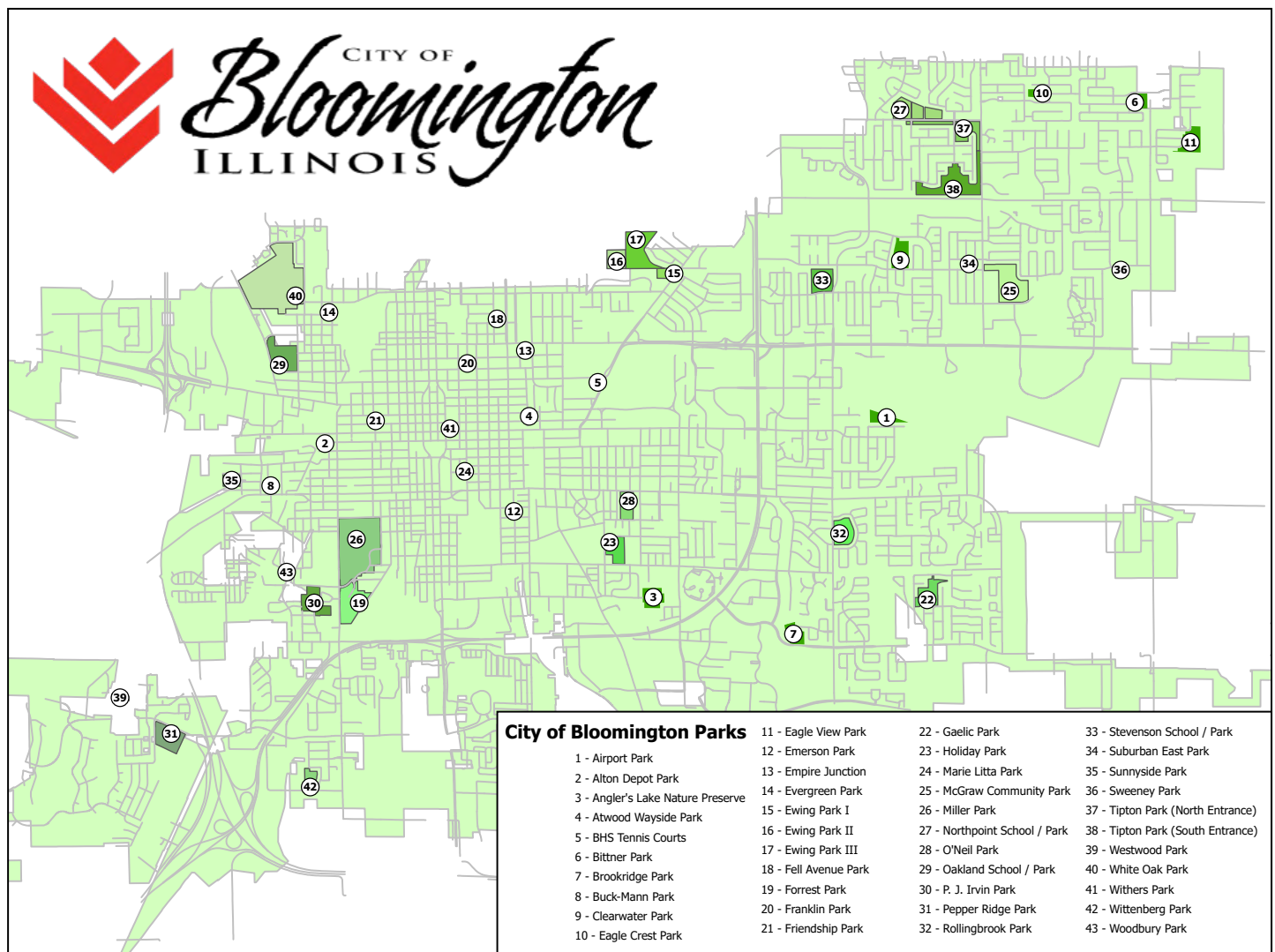
Life Trail System



Constitution Trail



Tipton Park North



Registration Policies

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

Resident Registraton begins at 5:00AM on **Wednesday, January 7, 2026**

Non-Resident Registration begins at 5:00AM on **Wednesday, January 14, 2026.**

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 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: _____

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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
TOTAL				

* 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: _____

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 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, JANUARY 7**

**NON-RESIDENT
REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 5:00AM
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14**

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

BLOOMINGTONPARKS.ORG