

winter + spring PLAYBOOK



2023



PROGRAMS + EVENTS +
CLASSES + HOLIDAY CAMPS



PARK SYSTEM MAP



BREC is dedicated to creating a healthy community by providing public access to safe parks, trails and recreation facilities with programs that encourage physical activity, cultivate a connection to nature and contribute to a greater sense of social, mental and physical well-being.

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BREC IS COMMITTED TO A CULTURE OF INCLUSION!

We provide recreational programs that are accessible and equitable to our community. We strongly encourage integration, as this inclusive recreation environment provides our patrons with even greater options for their leisure time. Therefore, anyone needing special accommodations to enjoy one of our programs is offered to participate in a recreational assessment conducted by a trained professional here at BREC. This assessment must be completed a minimum of two weeks prior to the program start date. This service is provided at no cost to the patron, as staff will make every attempt to facilitate inclusion of our patrons with needs into our diverse array of recreational opportunities and experiences we offer. If you would like to schedule a recreational assessment, please email recadaptive@brec.org.

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A WORD FROM BREC



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LETTER FROM SUPERINTENDENT COREY WILSON



Dear BREC families,

Even though it feels like winter, the BREC team is already hard at work planning for our award-winning summer camps. Mark your calendars now for March 4, 2023, when registration opens for residents of East Baton Rouge Parish. No matter where the camp is located, it will provide heavy doses

of Vitamins D and N (nature), opportunities to create new friendships as well as healthy activity and memorable experiences. Be on the lookout for a separate summer camp guide outlining the many different options for your children in February.

This guide focuses on all of the different programs and events we are offering you, your family and friends through both winter and spring. As I read through the guide, I couldn't help but notice how many opportunities there are to learn something new. No matter your age or ability, we have many different athletic and art classes and clinics as well as baking and decorating, gardening, exercise, acting skateboarding, bicycling, horseback riding, kayaking, tennis, golf and archery lessons available. You can even make your own Mardi Gras mask!

We will also offer our traditional popular community events such as Zippity Zoo Fest, Rockin' at the Swamp, Movies in the Park, Wild Wine Walk, Catfish Rodeo, BioBlitz and Nature Hikes. Of course, there are some new events as well such as the Continuous Egg Hunts where you never have to worry about missing the start of the event, Sensory Bunny for children with special needs, Glow in the Park and Community Bonfire to name a few. As

always, we will hold our popular holiday camps to ensure your children have a safe and active Spring Break.

We will continue to celebrate being named the number one park system in the country so look for your opportunity to take a picture with the 2022 National Gold Medal at select events and local parades. We will also celebrate the opening of major construction projects in 2023 such as the underwater pygmy hippo exhibit at the Zoo, the renovated J.S. Clark Golf Course at Greenwood Community Park, the elevated pool and recreation center at Howell Community Park and the new nature station at Frenchtown Road Conservation Area. Other transformational projects will get started including the effort to turn Airline Highway/State Fairgrounds into BREC's 13th community park, the greenway to connect Scotlandville Parkway to Downtown Baton Rouge and new master plans for Perkins Road Community Park and Bluebonnet Swamp Nature Center.

Most importantly, we will ask you to help us create our third Imagine Your Parks plan to guide construction and improvements for the entire BREC system. We first began this effort in 2004 and have worked for nearly 20 years to improve what used to be an aging park system into one that has something for everyone to enjoy. There is still work to be done and we need your ideas to ensure that we continue doing everything we can to make East Baton Rouge Parish a better place to live work and play. Watch brec.org and our social media pages for announcements about public meetings and surveys so your voice can be heard.

Thank you for making our parks shine brighter,

Corey K. Wilson, BREC Superintendent

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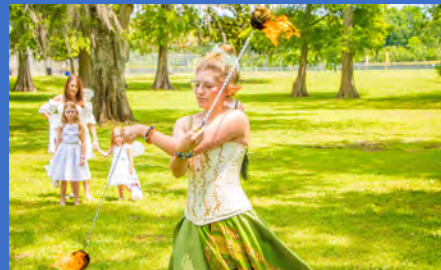
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ADAPTIVE RECREATION

 BREC.ORG/ADAPTIVE

Opportunities listed below are for all ages and no fees are associated unless otherwise noted.

Our goal is to offer a positive and supportive environment where individuals of all abilities can explore new recreation skills, develop socialization skills and have opportunities to participate in leisure and recreation programming to the fullest extent. While BREC strives to offer inclusive programs parish-wide we also offer separate programs exclusively for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

More info:  casey.cantrelle@brec.org
To register:  brec.org/adaptiveregistration

All BREC programs are inclusive. If you would like to participate in a BREC program and might require an accommodation, please contact molly.orr@brec.org for more information or set up an assessment.

EVENTS

SUNSHINE SOCIALS

Dance the night away with BREC Adaptive and Families Helping Families as we host our monthly Sunshine Socials. Be creative and dress to match each month's theme. Enjoy dinner, dancing, and door prizes.

JEFFERSON HIGHWAY PARK

Jan. 20: **Pajama-Rama**

Feb. 17: **Cajun Carnival**


March 17: **Green-Out Party**

April 21: **Dancing in the Rain**

May 19: **Prom - Rolling Out the Red Carpet**

6-9 p.m. / \$5 per person

Adults and teens with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families.

To register:  brec.org/adaptiveregistration
Registration begins Jan. 5

SATURDAYS IN THE PARK

Join us on Saturday mornings as we enjoy all that the park has to offer. We will play games and do a nature craft project.

GREENWELL SPRINGS PARK

March 4 + 18 + April 1 / 10 a.m.-noon


All ages + abilities

MARDI GRAS FUN RUN FOR DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY AWARENESS

Laissez les bon temps rouler, marcher, courir! We are bringing Mardi Gras flair to BREC Adaptive's annual Roll, Walk, Run this year in honor of Developmental Disability Awareness Month. The Mardi Gras Fun Run is open to everyone regardless of your ability. The Developmental Disability awareness color is yellow - we encourage plenty of purple and green but go all out with moving in whatever way you can!

PERKINS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

March 11 / 10 a.m.-2 p.m. / All ages

To register:  brec.org/funrun
Registration: Jan. 1-March 6

SENSORY BUNNY

Hop into spring with BREC Adaptive's Sensory Bunny! Children and adults with disabilities are invited to join us for activities and pictures with the Easter Bunny, while avoiding long lines. See you on the bunny trail!

ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK

March 31 / 6-8 p.m.

All ages with intellectual, developmental or sensory processing disorders

To register:  brec.org/adaptiveregistration
Registration begins March 1

PROGRAMS

SUNSHINE CLUB

What do you do after graduation? You walk on Sunshine, of course! The Sunshine Club is here to help bridge the gap for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities by offering not only recreational experiences but life skills and volunteer opportunities. We learn how to be productive members of the community while exploring and learning new things with a bit of fun thrown in the mix. All incoming participants will need an assessment prior to registration. Contact casey.cantrelle@brec.org to schedule your assessment.

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK

Monday-Friday / Jan. 9-May 19

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

18+ with intellectual and developmental disabilities
\$90 per week


SUNSHINE INTERACTIVE GROUP

Are you looking for an opportunity to have fun and gather with friends during the day? Do you like trying new activities as well as revisiting those we all love? Come have fun with the Sunshine Interactive Group for teens and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

NORTH SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

Monday-Friday / Jan. 9-May 19 / 10 a.m.-noon

Adults and teens with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their caregiver

More info:  brec.org/adaptiveregistration

INCLUSIVE ARCHERY 101

We are excited to partner with Outdoor Adventure for Inclusive Archery 101! These one-day inclusive introduction classes teach the fundamentals of archery. Guardians/Caregivers are encouraged to participate and share in the fun that comes with shooting a bow and arrow. BREC will provide all equipment necessary.

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK
BATTING CAGES/ARCHERY RANGE

Feb. 28 / Ages: 10-17

March 9 / Ages: 18+
6-7 p.m. / \$10 per class

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

Registration deadline: Feb. 1-25

INCLUSIVE LEAGUES

INCLUSIVE SOFTBALL

Batter UP! Join us as at Greenwell Springs Park as we learn the basics and enjoy one of America's Favorite Past Times: Softball! Come on out and enjoy the fun! For ages and up with and without disabilities.

GREENWELL SPRINGS PARK

Skills Day: March 4

Games: Saturday / March 18-May 13

9-11 a.m. / Ages: 3+ / \$10 per participant

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

Registration begins Feb. 15

ADULT LEISURE

 BREC.ORG/ADULTLEISURE

Opportunities listed below are for ages 55+ and no fees are associated unless otherwise noted. Please see the table of contents for more information if special accommodations are needed.

The BREC Adult Leisure genre includes recreation facilities, events and programs across East Baton Rouge Parish offering a variety of recreational opportunities for adults ages 55 and up. These opportunities vary and can include arts and crafts, health and wellness and seasonal pop-up events.

More info:  pturner@brec.org

PROGRAMS

ARTS + CULTURE

CLASSIC CERAMICS OPEN STUDIO

Ceramics is a hobby that anyone could learn and find the passion for! During this studio time, seasoned participants provide insight on the techniques involved in the painting and glazing of ceramics. The focus of this class is not the forming of the ceramic piece but administering the paint and glaze to preformed ceramic pieces. Participants bring their own supplies: paint/brushes/pieces or can purchase a piece from our selection. Register onsite.

SHARP ROAD PARK

Tuesday + Thursday / 9-11 a.m.

WEBB SENIOR CENTER

Thursday / noon-1 p.m.

LOYAL TO THE SOIL GARDENING CLUB

Do you have a green thumb? Are you interested in learning more about gardening? Either way, the Loyal to the Soil Gardening program is for you! This program extends the opportunity to contribute your time and expertise to grow nutritious foods, socialize with others and pass on cross-generational knowledge to younger community members. Register onsite.

ALSEN PARK

Thursday / 9:30-11 a.m.

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK

Wednesday / 9:30-11 a.m.

PAINTING WITH A PURPOSE CLASS

Are you interested in learning to paint? Our Painting with Purpose class provides participants the opportunity to experience and explore a variety of painting techniques and mediums. An instructor will guide the class in painting projects and allow them to explore their creativity by creating unique pieces of art. Participants will receive a supply list to select, purchase and bring in their own supplies. Register onsite.

WEBB SENIOR CENTER

Tuesday / 10-11:30 a.m.

SHARP AS A NEEDLE SEWING CLASS

Do you have a sewing machine, patterns or fabric laying around? Are you interested in developing a new skill and learning how to sew? No matter what skill level you are starting from, Sharp as a Needle Sewing Class is for you! Our instructor will familiarize participants with the sewing machine: parts, function and how to operate. Different patterns and materials will be presented, discussed and utilized to make individual projects. Register onsite.

WEBB SENIOR CENTER

Monday + Thursday / 10-11:30 a.m.

WARMTH OF THE EARTH POTTERY PROGRAM

Use your hands to get creative while shaping and molding clay into beautiful pieces of artwork. Basic pottery techniques are introduced where participants will be allowed to create, paint, and glaze their individual pieces. The finished product will then be fired by the instructor. Register onsite.

SHARP ROAD PARK

Monday + Wednesday + Friday / 9:30-11 a.m.

HEALTH + WELLNESS

BUSY BODIES

This Senior instructor-led program addresses some of the major wellness components needed for optimal health such as strength, flexibility, balance, cognition and nutrition while using chairs, weight, strength bands and balancing bars. Register onsite.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK

Monday + Wednesday + Friday / 8:30-9:30 a.m.

COMMIT TO BE FIT AEROBICS CLASS

Come and enjoy a low impact aerobics class with us! Commit to Be Fit works your entire body utilizing great music and purposeful moves that helps you to get in the groove, in and out of class. Register onsite.

WEBB SENIOR CENTER

Wednesday / 10-11 a.m.

ALSEN PARK

Wednesday / 10-11 a.m.

SHARP ROAD PARK

Wednesday + Friday / 10-11 a.m.

NORTH SHERWOOD COMMUNITY PARK

Monday-Friday / 9:30-10:30 a.m.

FOREVER YOUNG EXERCISE

This class emphasizes low impact low move for cardiovascular conditioning as well as muscular endurance and overall toning. Register onsite.

NORTH SHERWOOD COMMUNITY PARK

Monday-Friday / 11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m.

STEPS IN MOTION LINE DANCING

Get up, step up and line up to the latest beats and the classics in our Steps in Motion Line Dance Class! Our line dance classes are fun for everyone. The instructor will break down a variety of dances to give you a great workout and prepare you for your next reception or event! Register onsite.

NORTH SHERWOOD COMMUNITY PARK

Monday-Friday / 10:35-11:35 a.m.

TABLE TENNIS

Table tennis is a wonderful way to simulate mental alertness, concentration and tactical strategy. This makes it the perfect game for senior! Table tennis also develops mental acuity, improves reflexes, is easy on the joints, burns calories, offers a social outlet, improves balance, and stimulates various parts of the brain. Register onsite.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK

Monday + Thursday / noon-3 p.m.

Wednesday / 10 a.m.-noon

TEA DANCE

Grab those dancing shoes for our weekly Tea Dances! Each week we offer live entertainment, light refreshment and plenty of dancing, along with the opportunity to meet new friends and catch up with familiar faces. Register onsite.

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK BALLROOM

Tuesdays / 1-3 p.m. / \$5 per person

WALKING WITH JOY

Walking with JOY is more than just an exercise program. It is a positive and healthy start to your day. We will reach fitness goals by walking while we visit and converse in a group setting. Register onsite.

ALSEN PARK

Monday / 10-11:30 a.m.

ZUMBA GOLD™

Come party yourself into shape with Zumba classes. Zumba is a Latin-inspired, easy to follow calorie-burning, and dance-fitness party you do not want to miss. It fuses hypnotic Latin rhythms and easy to follow aerobic moves to create a one-of-a-kind fitness programs that is energizing. This class is month to month with no contracts needed, so sign up and start dancing your way to a healthier, more vibrant you! Register onsite.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK

Monday / 11 a.m.-noon / \$24 per month

ADVENTURE + SPORTS

 [BREC.ORG/ADVENTUREANDSPORTS](https://brec.org/adventureandsports)

Opportunities listed below are for all ages and no fees are associated unless otherwise noted. Please see the table of contents for more information if special accommodations are needed.

EVENTS

STUDENT HORSE SHOW

Our BREC lesson students enjoy a day at a horse show, demonstrating all they've learned, and gaining experience in the show ring in a welcoming and encouraging environment. Open to the public for viewing, and a great opportunity to let your future young rider see what our park has to offer.

FARR PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER

Western Horse Show - Jan. 21 + April 15

English Horse Show - Jan. 22 + April 16

9 a.m.-2 p.m.

More info:  225-769-7805

 camille.chapman@brec.org

10 + UNDER TENNIS TOURNAMENT

This tournament features a singles round robin format with boys and girls divisions: ages 8 and younger on a 36 ft. court with a maximum 23-inch racquet; ages 10 and younger on a 60 ft. court with a maximum 25-inch racquet; ages 10 and younger on a 78 ft. court with a maximum 29-inch racquet. Free snacks and awards for players.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Feb. 11 + April 29 / 8:30 a.m.-noon / Ages: 6-10

\$18 for EBR Parish residents

\$21.60 for out-of-parish residents

To register:  webtrac.brec.org  225-766-0247


Registration deadline: Wednesday before tournament

COMITE RIVER RUN

Join us for BREC's 3rd annual Comite River Run! Runners will take to the trails for a 5-mile loop along the river and through the woods. Join us after the race for food and a little fun. Awards will be given for 1st-3rd in the Men's and Women's division. There will also be finisher medals for all runners who complete the course.

COMITE RIVER PARK

March 4 / 8 a.m.-1 p.m. / Ages: 8+ / \$25

More info:  outdooradventure@brec.org

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

MARCH MADNESS 3 ON 3 TOURNAMENT

Are you ready to unite 6 (3 on 3) players on the court where players can touch the ball more often, establish man-to-man defense a little easier? Join in on the competitive games filled with the joy and energy of the fun 3 on 3 tournament.

GUS YOUNG AVENUE PARK

March 9 / 5:30-8 p.m. / Ages: 10+

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK

March 16 / 5:30-8 p.m. / Ages: 10+

BEN BURGE PARK

March 18 / 10 a.m.-1 p.m. / Ages: 16+

MONTE SANO PARK

March 23 / 5:30-8 p.m. / Ages: 10+

OPEN HOUSE JUNIOR SINGLES TOURNAMENT

This is a great opportunity for beginner youth players to experience playing in a tournament. Format is 10-point sets. Free pizza, snacks, and beverages for players.

CAPITAL ONE TENNIS CENTER

AT CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK

March 17 / 4-8 p.m. / Ages: 11-18

\$20 for EBR Parish residents

\$24 for out-of-parish residents

To register:  webtrac.brec.org  225-343-3767

Registration deadline: March 11

ADULT FUN PICKLEBALL DOUBLES TOURNAMENT

This one-day doubles tournament features a round robin format. Divisions for men, women, and mixed. Various levels.

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

March 25 / 8 a.m.-6 p.m. / Ages: 18+

\$40 per person for EBR Parish residents

\$48 for out-of-parish residents

To register:  webtrac.brec.org  225-209-8310

Registration deadline: March 17

COMITE CLASSIC

Test your mountain bike skills at the Comite Classic! Sign up for either our 1 loop (5 mi.) novice division or our 3 loop (15 mi.) advance division. Each loop is approximately 5 miles. After the race join us for food and fun. Prizes will be awarded to the top three male and female finishers in each division.

COMITE RIVER PARK

April 1 / 9 a.m.-1 p.m. / Ages: 8+ / \$25

More info:  outdooradventure@brec.org

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

BR BIKE FEST

Are you bananas for bicycles? Join us for Baton Rouge's second annual bike festival. Come enjoy velodrome demonstrations, free rides on BREC's BMX track, BMX skate park competition, bicycle polo, and guided bicycle rides along the Pennington Trail. This event will feature many bike related organizations throughout East Baton Rouge Parish and aims to support two-wheeled locomotion and a love for all this bicycling. It'll be wheely fun.

PERKINS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

April 8 / 10 a.m.-2 p.m. / All Ages

More info: 📞 xsports@brec.org

PROGRAMS + CLINICS

ATHLETICS CLINICS + SPORTS

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL – PITCH, HIT & RUN (PHR)

Participants can compete in either the Baseball Division or Softball Division and can advance through four levels of competition including Locals, Sectionals, Team Championships, and the National Finals during MLB All-Star Week. BREC Athletics local host site will be announced through our social media platforms.

CENTRAL SPORTS PARK

Spring 2023 / 10 a.m.-4 p.m. / Ages: 14 + under / Free

To register: 🌐 pitchhitrun.com

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL – JR. HOME RUN DERBY (JRHRD)

Jr.HRD provides youngsters 14 and under with an opportunity to participate in an exciting, free, home run derby competition. All Local events are individually scored, and the winners advance to one of ten (10) Regional Competitions. Regional Champions will advance and compete in the National Finals during Major League Baseball All-Star Week. BREC Athletics local host site will be announced through our social media platforms.

CENTRAL SPORTS PARK

Spring 2023 / 10 a.m.-4 p.m. / Ages: 14 + under / Free

To register: 🌐 mlb.com/junior-home-run-derby

VOLLEY UP

Participants will be inspired to learn the fundamentals of volleyball in a creative way with other experienced players. This program is designed to encourage others to get back into the fun and energetic game of volleyball. Let's volley up and have fun!

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

Monday / Jan. 2-May 23 / 4:30-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 18+

More info: 📞 225-767-4003

ANTIOCH BOULEVARD PARK

Thursday / Jan. 5-May 25 / 6-8 p.m. / Ages: 16+

More info: 📞 225-752-8316

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK

Thursday / Jan. 12-May 25 / 6-8 p.m. / Ages: 16+

More info: 📞 225-775-1707

WEEKDAY FUTSAL

BREC Athletics will offer the community an open play opportunity for a non-traditional sport this Winter. This hour-long weekly session will aim to increase leisure interest for those with minimum knowledge of the selected game. High participation will hopefully garner a new league opportunity for the youth and adults in the community. Weekday Futsal registrations are accepted at the location of the host park. All participants must register to participate in this activity.

KATHY DRIVE PARK + FLANNERY ROAD PARK

Friday / 4-6 p.m. / All Ages / Free

Winter Open Play: Feb. 10-March 31

Winter Registration Period: Jan. 1-31

WEEKDAY SPIKE BALL

BREC Athletics will offer the community an open play opportunity for a non-traditional sport this Spring. This hour-long weekly session will aim to increase leisure interest for those with minimum knowledge of the selected game. High participation will hopefully garner a new league opportunity for both youth and adults in the community. Weekday Spike Ball registrations are accepted at the location of the host park. All participants must register to participate in this activity.

KATHY DRIVE PARK + FLANNERY ROAD PARK (SAND COURTS)

Friday / 4-8 p.m. / All Ages / Free

Spring Open Play: March 13-May 5

Spring Registration Period: April 1-30

More info: 📞 athletics@brec.org

EQUESTRIAN

HEARTS + HOOVES THERAPEUTIC RIDING PROGRAM SPRING

Riders ages 6 and up with physical, mental, and social disabilities will participate in a 6-week session of riding lessons tailored to their needs. Riders enjoy a one-hour class on horseback while learning stretching exercises, basic equitation, and games. Horseback riding is known to improve core strength and co-ordination and provide a unique social opportunity with peers. Maximum class sizes of 8 riders, with 3 instructors and up to 3 volunteer assistants per rider.

FARR PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER

Session 1: Monday / Jan. 23-Feb. 27

Session 2: Monday / March 13-April 17

Available class times: 4:30 p.m. + 6 p.m. / Ages: 6+

\$120 for EBR Parish residents

\$144 for out-of-parish residents

To register: 🌐 camille.chapman@brec.org

📞 225-769-7805 (pre-assessment required)

GUIDED TRAIL RIDES

BREC's Farr Park Equestrian center is proud to offer guided trail rides on select Saturdays and Sundays. Enjoy a one-hour gentle ride through the park or in the indoor arena on one of the BREC horses. This fun activity is perfect for families, groups and friends. Trail rides are by appointment only, and all riders must be at least 9 years old.

FARR PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER

Jan. 7 + 28 + Feb. 4 + 25 + March 4 + 25 + April 1 + 29

Ride times: 9 a.m. + 10:30 a.m. + noon

Ages: 9+ / \$50 per rider

Maximum 8 riders per ride time.

More info: 📞 225-769-7805

✉️ camille.chapman@brec.org

ENGLISH + WESTERN RIDING LESSONS

Learn how to ride a horse or improve your skills. We offer lessons from beginner to advanced. Farr Park offers riding lessons to students ages 6 and older at all different levels, English or Western, taught by qualified instructors who specialize in their disciplines. Group and private lessons are available.

FARR PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER

Tuesday-Friday, year round

Lesson Times: 4 p.m. + 5:30 p.m. + 7 p.m. / Ages: 6+

Group lessons (no more than 5 riders):

\$27 for EBR Parish residents

\$32 for out-of-parish residents

Private lessons:

\$47 for EBR Parish residents

\$56 for out-of-parish residents

More info: 📞 225-769-7805

✉️ camille.chapman@brec.org

EXTREME SPORTS

SKATEBOARDING ACADEMY

Do you want to learn to skateboard? Then join us for Skateboarding Academy! Over four weeks our staff will teach the fundamentals of skateboarding, from balance, board control, transition riding, ollies and more. This class meets consecutively over a four-week period so you have time each week to practice the lessons from each class and grow your skills. This class is open to skaters at any skill level. Our instructors meet the skater where they're at and will be there to guide riders with general coaching that meets them based on their personal abilities. BREC will provide all equipment necessary.

EXTREME SPORTS PARK

AT PERKINS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

March 8 + 15 + 22 + 29 / 6-7 p.m.

Ages: 8+ / \$50

More info: ✉️ xsports@brec.org 📞 225-766-9039

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

BMX AT THE PARK

BMX at the Park is an entry level, beginner skatepark BMX skills clinic specifically for riding the skatepark. Over four weeks our staff will teach the fundamentals of riding BMX. During the clinic, one of our experienced instructors will guide riders on the essentials skills of riding the park such as etiquette, riding transition, and bunny hops. This clinic is open to riders at any skill level. Our instructors meet the rider where they're at and will be there to guide riders with both general and specific issues they may be having. This clinic is limited to 10 riders to ensure quality instruction, sign up now while spots are still available! BREC will provide all equipment necessary.

EXTREME SPORTS PARK

AT PERKINS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

March 9 + 16 + 23 + 30 / 5-6 p.m. / Ages: 8+ / \$50

More info: ✉️ xsports@brec.org 📞 225-766-9039

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

SKATEBOARDING BASICS

Skateboarding Basics is a basic skateboarding skills clinic for entry level skaters. During this clinic an experienced instructor will guide skaters on the essentials of riding your board at the park. This involves skills such as etiquette, turning, riding transition, and much more. This clinic is open to skaters at any skill level. Our instructors meet the skater where they're at and will be there to guide riders with both general coaching that meets them based on their personal abilities. BREC will provide all equipment necessary.

EXTREME SPORTS PARK

AT PERKINS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

March 19 + 26 / 5-6 p.m. / Ages: 8+ / \$20

More info: ✉️ xsports@brec.org 📞 225-766-9039

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

BALANCE BIKING 101

Balance Biking 101 is a unique program geared towards accelerating a toddler's bicycle handling skills and progression curve. It offers a safe environment for kids 2-5 to learn how to ride the BMX track with experienced instructors by their sides. Over two week our instructors will guide students through certain smaller areas of the BMX track and teach bike control as well as track etiquette! This class is formatted to give your child a head start in bicycle riding and designed to give them a sense of accomplishment at an early age. This clinic is limited to 10 riders to ensure quality instruction, sign up now while spots are still available! BREC will provide all equipment necessary.

EXTREME SPORTS PARK

AT PERKINS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

April 20 + 27 / 5-6 p.m. / Ages: 2-5 / \$20

More info: ✉️ xsports@brec.org 📞 225-766-9039

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

GOLF

YOUTH GOLF

FIRST TEE SPRING GOLF PROGRAM

A national golf youth development program designed to build Game Changers not only on the golf course, but in the community. We use our curriculum to teach the youth of East Baton Rouge Parish about core values and life skills. On the golf course, our curriculum teaches swing fundamentals, course management, and on-course activities for players of all skill levels.

The spring program will offer clinics once a week for six. Clubs will be provided or bring your own. Financial assistance is available if needed.

First Tee will transition to age-based format for all programs.

Age groups: 7-9, 10-11, 12-13, 14+
March 13-April 20

BEAVER CREEK GOLF COURSE:

Player Level / 4:30-6 p.m. / Monday

J.S. CLARK GOLF COURSE:

Player Level / 4:30-6 p.m. / Wednesday

SANTA MARIA GOLF COURSE:

Player Level / 4:45-6:15pm / Monday or Tuesday or Thursday (select one day)

Annual Membership: \$75 per person (expires Dec. 31)

Spring Program Fee: \$30 per week

To register: www.firstteebrp.org

More Info: [225-774-5946](tel:225-774-5946) tftebpr@gmail.com

OUTDOOR

More info: outdooradventure@brec.org

To register: webtrac.brec.org

ARCHERY 101

Want to explore archery? Then join us for this one-day introduction class to learn the skills of archery. Come enjoy the fun that comes with shooting a bow and arrow and let us help you get on target! This class is for ages 16 and up only. BREC will provide all equipment necessary.

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK

Jan. 25 / 6-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 16+

\$15 for EBR Parish residents

\$18 for out-of-parish residents

ARCHERY 101 JR.

Want to explore archery? Then join us for this one-day introduction class to learn the skills of archery. Come enjoy the fun that comes with shooting a bow and arrow and let us help you get on target! This class is for youth from ages 8-15. BREC will provide all equipment necessary.

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK

Feb. 1 / 6-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 8-15

\$15 for EBR Parish residents

\$18 for out-of-parish residents

ARCHERY ACADEMY

Designed to take you from archery newbie to bullseye bound in four short weeks. Our instructors will provide you with basic archery instruction, educate participants on common archery equipment, and safe archery practices. You will spend lots of time shooting with plenty of opportunity to practice your newfound archery skills. We meet once a week for four weeks to review and practice skills, ending in an explosive conclusion! All equipment is provided.

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK

Feb. 9 + 16 + 23 + March 2 / \$40

6-7 p.m. / Ages: 8-15

7-8 p.m. / Ages: 16+

KAYAK ACADEMY

A four-week skills development class designed to get beginner paddlers comfortable and confident on the water. In this class, you will learn everything from kayaking strokes and maneuvers to on-water safety and how to transport your kayak from point A to point B. Each week we will build upon the last going more in-depth and providing more time to practice your new skills! This class is perfect for those who have attended Kayaking 101 or who are comfortable on the water but want to progress their paddling skills to the next level.

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK

March 15 + 22 + 29 + April 5 / 6-7 p.m. / Ages: 12+

\$40 for EBR Parish residents

\$48 for out-of-parish residents

SUNSET PADDLE

Join us as we paddle into the beautiful south Louisiana sunset. This experience is perfect for youth and adults with little or abundant watercraft skills. Kayaks and canoes are available to rent, but these spots go quick so make sure to register in advance before the event is full.

MILFORD WAMPOLD MEMORIAL PARK

April 20 / 6:30-8 p.m. / Ages: 12+

\$10 single kayak / \$20 tandem kayak / \$25 canoe

KAYAKS + COFFEE

Looking for something more than your average cup of Joe to kickstart your morning routine? Try adding a little spice with Kayaks & Coffee, a fantastic blend of adventure and exercise to get you ready to face the day.

MILFORD WAMPOLD MEMORIAL PARK

April 26 / 10 a.m.-noon / Ages: 18+

\$10 for EBR Parish residents

\$12 for out-of-parish residents



PICKLEBALL

ADULT BEGINNER PICKLEBALL INSTRUCTION

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
Monday / Jan. 2-April 24 (no session Jan. 16)
5-7 p.m. / Ages: 18+ / \$2

INTERMEDIATE + ADVANCED PICKLEBALL OPEN PLAY

This is an open play competition opportunity for intermediate and advanced pickleball players.

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
Tuesday + Thursday / Jan. 3-April 27
5-9 p.m. / Ages: 18+ / \$2

SENIOR BEGINNER PICKLEBALL INSTRUCTION

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
Wednesday / Jan. 4-April 26
8-10 a.m. / Ages: 50+ / \$2

ADVANCED PICKLEBALL DRILLS

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
Wednesday / Jan. 4-April 26
5-7 p.m. / Ages: 18+ / \$2

TENNIS

ADULT PROGRAMS

GENEXIS LEAGUE PREP FOR ADULT BEGINNERS

This is a program for adult beginner players who desire to improve their tennis skills in preparation to play league tennis.

CAPITAL ONE TENNIS CENTER
AT CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK
Monday / Jan. 2-30 (no class Jan. 16) + Feb. 6-27 +
March 6-27 + April 3-24 / 7:30-8:30 p.m. / Ages: 18+
Monthly rate: \$112 for EBR Parish residents
\$134.40 for out-of-parish residents
Weekly rate: \$31 for EBR Parish residents
\$37.20 for out-of-parish residents
To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-343-3767

SUNDAY MORNING TENNIS

This on-going program is for players who are more consistent and can handle a faster pace. Focused drills as well as advanced technique and strategies. Walk-ins accepted.

CAPITAL ONE TENNIS CENTER
AT CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK
Sunday / Feb. 5-April 30 (no session April 9)
8:30-10 a.m. / Ages: 18+ / \$12 per person per session

TUESDAY NIGHT TENNIS

This on-going program is for players who are more consistent and can handle a faster pace. Focused drills as well as advanced technique and strategies. Walk-ins accepted.

CAPITAL ONE TENNIS CENTER
AT CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK
Tuesday / Feb. 7-April 25 / 6:30-8 p.m.
Ages: 18+ / \$12 per person per session

BEGINNER ADULT INSTRUCTION

This four-week program for beginners introduces and reinforces fundamental tennis techniques. Walk-ins accepted.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
Monday / Jan. 2-23 + Feb. 6-27 + March 6-27 +
April 3-24 / 6-7 p.m. / Ages: 18+
\$40 for EBR Parish residents
\$48 for out-of-parish residents
To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-766-0247

STROKES, STRATEGY + PLAY FOR ADULT INTERMEDIATES

This four-week program reinforces stroke development, conditioning, and strategies for adult intermediate players. Walk-ins accepted.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
Monday / Jan. 2-23 + Feb. 6-27 + March 6-27 +
April 3-24
7-8 p.m. / Ages: 18+
\$40 for EBR Parish residents
\$48 for out-of-parish residents
To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-766-0247

BEGINNER ADULT INSTRUCTION

This four-week program for beginners introduces and reinforces fundamental tennis techniques. Walk-ins accepted.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
Wednesday / Jan. 4-25 + Feb. 1-22 + March 1-22 +
April 5-26 / 6-7 p.m. / Ages: 18+
\$40 for EBR Parish residents
\$48 for out-of-parish residents
To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-766-0247

SHOW UP + PLAY

INTERMEDIATE ADULT ROUND ROBIN

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
Wednesday / Jan. 4-April 26 / 7-8:30 p.m.
Ages: 18+ / Standard court fees

BEGINNER ADULT TENNIS CLINIC

This four-week program is for adults who want to learn the fundamentals of the game.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
Wednesday / Feb. 1-22 + March 1-29 (no session March 15) + April 5-26 / 6 - 7:30 p.m. / Ages: 18+
\$50 for EBR Parish residents
\$60 for out-of-parish residents
To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-923-2792
Registration deadline: Friday before session begins

INTERMEDIATE ADULT TENNIS CLINIC

This four-week program is for adults who want to fine tune their game.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Monday / Feb. 6-27 + March 6-27 + April 3-24

6-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 18+

\$50 for EBR Parish residents

\$60 for out-of-parish residents

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-923-2792

Registration deadline: Friday before session begins

YOUTH PROGRAMS

HOME-SCHOOL TENNIS PROGRAM

A six-week program designed especially for home-schooled children. Program includes drills, games, and tennis knowledge.

CAPITAL ONE TENNIS CENTER

AT CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK

Wednesday / Jan. 11-Feb. 15 + March 1-April 5

1-2:30 p.m. / Ages: 5-17

\$70 for EBR Parish residents

\$84 for out-of-parish residents

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-343-3767

OPEN HOUSE SERIES FOR JUNIORS

Kids come out and learn to play tennis. BREC provides equipment and racquets. Please bring a water bottle and dress to sweat.

CAPITAL ONE TENNIS CENTER

AT CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK

Saturday / Jan. 14-April 22 (no session Feb. 11)

Ages: 6-10 / 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Ages: 11-17 / 9:30-10:30 a.m.

\$2 per person per class

PEE WEE CHAMPS

This four-week program is designed to help your child develop motor skills, hand-eye coordination, overall athleticism, and fundamental tennis strokes.

CAPITAL ONE TENNIS CENTER

AT CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK

Friday / March 3-24 / 3:45-4:30 p.m. / Ages: 3-6

\$55 for EBR Parish residents

\$66 for out-of-parish residents

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-343-3767

Registration deadline: Feb. 26 (\$5 late fee)

HIGHLAND PARK JUNIOR TENNIS ACADEMY

This is a continuous year-round program separated into semesters. Skill levels include beginner, advanced beginner and intermediate.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Monday-Thursday / Jan. 4-May 18

4:30-6 p.m. / Ages: 5-17

Visit 🌐 brec.org/tennis for monthly + semester rates

To register: 📞 225-766-0247

Registration deadline: 24 hours prior to the class (walk-ins not accepted)

JUNIOR ADVANCED BEGINNER INSTRUCTION

This four-week program reinforces fundamental tennis techniques, stroke development, and conditioning for advanced beginners. Walk-ins accepted.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Wednesday / Feb. 1-22 + March 1-22 + April 5-26

5-6 p.m. / Ages: 8-17

\$40 for EBR Parish residents

\$48 for out-of-parish residents

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-766-0247

PEE WEE PROGRAM

This four-week program consists of 45-minute classes designed to introduce the game of tennis to younger children. Help your child develop motor skills, hand-eye coordination, overall athleticism, and fundamental tennis strokes. Fun is guaranteed!

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Saturday / Feb. 4-March 4 + March 11-April 1 +

April 8-May 6 (no sessions Feb. 11 + April 29)

9:15-10 a.m. + 10:15-11 a.m. / Ages: 3-5

\$40 per session for EBR Parish residents

\$48 per session for out-of-parish residents

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-766-0247

Registration deadline: Thursday before session begins

JUNIOR BEGINNER INSTRUCTION

This four-week program introduces and reinforces fundamental tennis techniques. Walk-ins accepted.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Tuesday / Feb. 7-28 + March 7-28 + April 4-25

5-6 p.m. / Ages: 8-17

\$40 for EBR Parish residents

\$48 for out-of-parish residents

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-766-0247

AFTER SCHOOL JUNIOR TENNIS PROGRAM

Four-week session for beginners.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Wednesday / Feb. 8-March 1 + March 8-29 / 4-5 p.m.

Ages: 8-16

\$40 for EBR Parish residents

\$48 for out-of-parish residents

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-923-2792

Registration deadline: Friday before session begins

HOME-SCHOOL TENNIS PROGRAM

This six-week program is designed especially for home-schooled children. Participants will learn about the game of tennis in a fun learning environment. Program includes drills, games and tennis knowledge.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Thursday / Jan.12-Feb. 16 + March 2-April 6

1:30-3 p.m. / Ages: 6-17

\$70 for EBR Parish residents

\$84 for out-of-parish residents

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-923-2792

Registration deadline: Friday before session begins

PEE WEE TENNIS PROGRAM

This six-week program is designed especially for children between the ages of 3-6. Program includes drills, games, and tennis knowledge.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Thursday / March 2-April 6 / 1:30-2:15 p.m. / Ages: 3-6
\$50 for EBR Parish residents

\$60 for out-of-parish residents

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-923-2792

Registration deadline: Feb. 24

LEAGUES

ADULT LEAGUES

ADULT SPORTS

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

More info: 📧 athletics@brec.org

WEEKDAY ADULT WOMEN'S SOFTBALL

HARTLEY/VEY SPORTS PARK AT OAK VILLA

Wednesday / 6:30-10 p.m.

Ages: 18+ / \$395 per team

Winter League: Feb. 22–April 6

Winter Registration Period: Jan. 1-31

Spring League: May 10–June 28

Spring Registration Period: April 1-30

If games are cancelled due to weather, make up games will be played the following Monday for the Women's league.

WEEKDAY ADULT MEN'S SOFTBALL

HARTLEY/VEY SPORTS PARK AT OAK VILLA

Monday + Wednesday / 6:30–10 p.m.

Ages: 18+ / \$395 per team

Winter League: Feb. 22-March 22

Winter Registration Period: Jan. 1-31

Spring League: May 9-June 14

Spring Registration Period: April 1-30

SUNDAY ADULT COED SOFTBALL – RECREATIONAL

PERKINS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

Sunday / 1-6 p.m. / Ages: 18+ / \$295 per team

Winter League: Feb. 5-March 26

Winter Registration Period: Jan. 1-31

Spring League: May 7-June 25

Spring Registration Period: April 1-30

WEEKDAY ADULT COED 5V5 VOLLEYBALL – RECREATIONAL

5v5 Adult Coed has a minimum of 2 female players required on the field/floor.

KATHY DRIVE PARK + FLANNERY ROAD PARK

Tuesday + Thursday / 8-10 p.m.

Ages: 18+ / \$175 per team

Winter Indoor League: Feb. 23-March 31

Winter Registration Period: Jan. 1-31

Spring Sand League: May 9 -June 22

Spring Registration Period: April 1-30

WEEKDAY ADULT COED KICKBALL – RECREATIONAL

Games are played with a minimum of 6 to 9 players in the field. Teams must have a 5 (Females)- 4 (Males) gender split.

HARTLEY/VEY SPORTS PARK AT OAK VILLA

Tuesday + Thursday / 6:30-10 p.m.

Ages: 18+ / \$175 per team

Winter League: Feb. 23-April 6

Winter Registration Period: Jan. 1-31

Spring League: May 9-June 29

Spring Registration Period: April 1-30

WEEKDAY ADULT BASKETBALL - PREMIER

VARIOUS LOCATIONS

Monday + Wednesday / 8-10 p.m.

Ages: 18+ / \$285 per team

Winter League: Feb. 22-March 22

Winter Registration Period: Jan. 1-31

Spring League: May 9-June 14

Spring Registration Period: April 1-30

WEEKDAY ADULT BASKETBALL – RECREATIONAL

VARIOUS LOCATIONS

Tuesday + Thursday / 7-10 p.m.

Ages: 18+ / \$285 per team

Winter League: Feb. 23-April 6

Winter Registration Period: Jan. 1-31

Spring League: May 9-June 29

Spring Registration Period: April 1-30

SUNDAY ADULT 7V7 FLAG FOOTBALL – RECREATIONAL

KATHY DRIVE PARK + FLANNERY ROAD PARK

Sunday / 1-6 p.m.

Ages: 18+ / \$395 per team / 8-10 Game Season

Winter League: Feb. 5-March 26

Winter Registration Period: Jan. 1-31

Spring League: May 7-June 25

Spring Registration Period: April 1-30



YOUTH LEAGUES

YOUTH BASKETBALL

BREC YOUTH GIRLS' BASKETBALL - SPRING DEVELOPMENTAL

BREC Youth Girl's Developmental League will be a recreational instructional league. Girls ages 6-12 will learn fundamental basketball skills, while competing in a fun & supportive environment. Participant fee will include a jersey for league play. Volunteer coaches will be needed. For more information or to sign up to volunteer, visit volunteer.brec.org or contact athletics@brec.org

SPORTS ACADEMY + MCKINLEY MIDDLE GYM

Ages: 8-12 / \$75 per participant / \$325 per team
Registration: April 1-30

League Groups: 8U + 10U + 12U

League Play: May 6-June 24

Spring/Summer Leagues Offered

Sophomore (8U) - Any player who has not reached his or her 9th birthday on or before May 1, 2023, is eligible to play.

Junior (10U) - Any player who has not reached his or her 11th birthday on or before May 1, 2023, is eligible to play.

Senior (12U) - Any player who has not reached his or her 13th birthday on or before May 1, 2023, is eligible to play.

YOUTH BASEBALL + SOFTBALL

T-BALL

HARTLEY/VEY SPORTS PARK AT OAK VILLA
Monday + Wednesday / 6:40-9:40 p.m.

Ages: 3-5 / \$200 per team / 8-10 Game Season

Spring/Summer League: May 15-July 5

Registration: April 1-30

A child is ineligible if he/she does not turn 3 before May 1 of the current year. A child turning 6 years of age prior May 1 of current year will have to participate in Coaches Pitch.

COACHES PITCH

BREC Athletics offers a spring/summer youth coach pitch season for youth ages 6-7. Our mission is to ensure that each participant registered for our program has a safe, fun, and enriching experience with baseball.

HARTLEY/VEY SPORTS PARK AT OAK VILLA

Monday + Wednesday / 6:40-9:40 p.m.

Ages: 6-7 / \$350 per team / 8-10 Game Season

Spring/Summer League: May 16-July 6

Registration: April 1-30

(6-7) - Any player who has not reached his or her 8th birthday on or before May 1, 2023, is eligible to play.

A child turning 8 years of age prior May 1 of current year will participate in Kid Pitch.

KID PITCH

Powered by: Louisiana Youth Sports Network

BREC Athletics and LYSN will offer spring/summer youth kid pitch season for youth ages 8-17. Our mission is to ensure that each participant registered for our program has a safe, fun, and enriching experience with baseball.

HARTLEY/VEY SPORTS PARK AT OAK VILLA

Tuesday + Thursday / 6:40-9:40 p.m.

Ages: 8-17 / \$350 per team / 10 Game Season

Spring/Summer League: May 23-July 6

Registration: April 1-30

Kid Pitch Division(s)

10U - Any player who has not reached his or her 11th birthday on or before May 1, 2023, is eligible to play.

12U - Any player who has not reached his or her 13th birthday on or before May 1, 2023, is eligible to play.

14U - Any player who has not reached his or her 15th birthday on or before May 1, 2023, is eligible to play.

17U - Any player who has not reached his or her 18th birthday on or before May 1, 2023, is eligible to play.

GIRLS FAST PITCH SOFTBALL

BREC Athletics offers a spring/summer youth girl's fast pitch softball season for youth ages 9-12. Our mission is to ensure that each participant registered for our program has a safe, fun, and enriching experience with baseball.

HARTLEY/VEY SPORTS PARK AT OAK VILLA

Tuesday + Thursday / 6:40-9:40 p.m.

Ages: 7-12 / \$350 per team / 10 Game Season

Spring/Summer League: May 2-July 6

Registration: April 1-30

Girls Fast Pitch Division(s)

10U - Any player who has not reached his or her 11th birthday on or before May 1, 2023, is eligible to play.

12U - Any player who has not reached his or her 13th birthday on or before May 1, 2023, is eligible to play.



ARTS + CULTURE

 BREC.ORG/ARTSANDCULTURE

Opportunities listed below are for all ages and no fees are associated unless otherwise noted. Please see the table of contents for more information if special accommodations are needed.

EVENTS

SWAMP ART RECEPTIONS

Are you one of our participating artists or would you like to meet them and share your appreciation for their work? If so, please join us for one of our receptions in association with our Swamp Art Spectacular show. Light refreshments provided.

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER



Swamp Art Soiree

Jan. 12 / 5:30-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 18+ / Free

Meet the Artists Closing Reception

Feb. 26 / 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Ages: all ages / Participating artists are free



More info:  225-757-8905  sguidry@brec.org

SWAMP ART SPECTACULAR

Join us for our 4th Annual Swamp Art Spectacular, featuring work from local artists in the fields of Fabric Arts, Fine Arts and Photography – focusing on the theme "Impressions of Louisiana Nature". Come visit during the exhibition and vote on your favorite piece in both the youth and adult categories – winners will receive a prize at the end of the show!

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

Jan. 13-Feb. 26 / Normal operating hours

More info:  225-757-8905  sguidry@brec.org

ARTSFEST @ BARINGER PARK

Join BREC Art and artists for our first ArtsFest @Baringer Park. This free, immersive experience will give the public a chance to see what BREC Art can do for your creative instincts. Live artist demonstrations including painting, pottery wheel throwing, sculpture, encaustic painting, printmaking and art journaling. Some "curious arts" will be explored with demonstrations of macrame/fiber arts, Ikebana and latte art. Mural painting on the Baringer Art Center will be in progress for the public to view. For the kids, lots of creative play and art activities to join in and a sidewalk chalk drawing contest as well!

BARINGER ROAD PARK

March 11 / 5-8 p.m.

More info:  brec.org/brecart

MESSY MASTERPIECES

Create your own special work of art using a variety of mediums including paints and chalks in your own style with your hands, fingers and brushes.

KERNAN AVENUE PARK

March 18

SAIA PARK

March 25

noon-2 p.m. / Ages: 3+

More info:  jeremy.issac@brec.org  225-927-5092

To register:  brec.org/messymasterpieces

LET'S GEAX TIE DYE

Let's learn the basic art of tie dye! Join us to create your own colorful pieces. Bring your shirt, bag, hat or anything you would like to tie dye.

NORTH STREET PARK

April 1

KERNAN AVENUE PARK

April 22

noon-2 p.m. / Ages: 3+ / \$5

More info:  jeremy.isaac@brec.org  225-383-0563


To register:  webtrac.brec.org

SWAMP ART SHOW FIELD DAYS

Those interested in working on entry pieces for upcoming Swamp Art Show Series shows can visit the swamp on this day for inspiration (FOR FREE!). Whether your gear includes canvases or cameras, come out and enjoy this paint-out and field-shoot day. Bring your own supplies – we'll provide workspace indoors and out for you to create your masterpieces!

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

April 15-16 / Regular operating hours / All ages

More info:  225-757-8905  sguidry@brec.org

HOMAGE TO A HERO:

SEEDS OF CHANGE - WANGARI MAATHAI

As a young girl in Kenya, Wangari was taught to respect nature. She grew up loving the land, plants, and animals that surrounded her. Although most Kenyan girls were not educated, Wangari, curious and hardworking, was allowed to go to school. There, her mind sprouted like a seed. She excelled at science and went on to study in the United States. After returning home, Wangari blazed a trail across Kenya, using her knowledge and compassion to promote the rights of her countrywomen and to help save the land, one tree at a time. Let's celebrate Wangari by learning more about her and painting an African inspired landscape of her beloved Kenya.


BARINGER ART CENTER

April 29 / 10:30 a.m.-noon / Ages: 8+

\$25 for EBR Parish Residents

\$30 for Out-of-Parish Residents

More info:  robin.mcandrew@brec.org

 225-228-2649

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

MOVIE IN THE GARDEN: FAE FEST EDITION

Come one, come all for a magical day full of whimsy and lore. Come dressed in your favorite FAE costume and celebrate the earth and preservation of everything that makes it the beautiful place we know, while enjoying whimsical and fun activities with a FAE twist. This event will feature movies, games, strolling entertainment, FAE folk, face painters, crafts, and other exciting family entertainment for all to enjoy. Admissions is free for fairies, sprites, gnomes, and elves of all ages. Costumes are certainly encouraged!

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK
BOTANICAL GARDEN / THEATRE LAWN
May 6 / noon-4 p.m. / All ages
More info: recreationevents@brec.org

PROGRAMS

COZY KIDS KNITTING CLUB

Unwind with a tight-knit group of young fiber artists to learn the basics of knitting and complete a beginner's project over each 4-week session.

CEDAR RIDGE DRIVE PARK
Tuesday / 4-6 p.m.

Session 1: Jan. 24 + 31 + Feb. 7 + 14
Session 2: Feb. 28 + March 7 + 14 + 21
Session 3: March 28 + April 4 + 11 + 18
Session 4: April 25 + May 2 + 9 + 16
Ages 8-12 / \$70 per session

More info: sarah.surber@brec.org
To register: webtrac.brec.org In-person

FIRST FREE SUNDAYS

Free guided tours will be offered on the first Sunday of each month.

MAGNOLIA MOUND
Feb. 5 + March 5 + April 2 / Regular operating hours
More information: [225-343-4955](tel:225-343-4955)

POP UP ART

Pop on over to Highland Road Community Park for art at the pavilion. Offered each Friday, park guests can take home their own piece of art!

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK
Friday / Jan. 6-April 28 / 11 a.m.-noon / Ages: 3-12
More info: dbarlow@brec.org
[225-767-4003](tel:225-767-4003)
To register: brec.org/popupart



YOUTH ART PROGRAMS

KI-DART

Relax, refresh and show your creative side through art! Join is for our virtual art expressing your personality, creating your own unique masterpieces.

EXPRESSWAY PARK
Thursday / Jan. 5-April 27 / 2-3 p.m. / Ages: 6-12
More info: dbarlow@brec.org
[225-343-7110](tel:225-343-7110)
To register: brec.org/kidart

CRAFT CORNER AT THE SWAMP

Looking to express yourself through some nature-themed crafts while enjoying the sights and sounds of the Swamp? Join us quarterly as we host Craft Corner and provide a variety of fun and interactive crafts for you to complete with us or take home to work on at your leisure. This program is included with your general admission.

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER
Jan. 6-7 + April 14-15 / 9 a.m.-5 p.m. / All ages
More info: sguidry@brec.org [225-757-8905](tel:225-757-8905)

SATURDAY MORNING STUDIO

Saturday Morning Studio is drawing outside the lines this spring! Each month BREC Art participants will be introduced to an art that relies on creativity instead of artistic skill. While still exercising the basics of art, we will work with unusual mediums and be introduced to new types of art that students may not have much experience with. Join us each month for out-of-the-box thinking, treats, and creative expression as we learn fun and different ways to "be an artist."

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK

Jan. 28: **Party Time Print Making** - In this session, students will celebrate the art of printmaking using Gelli® plates. Their prints will then be applied to canvas where the use of mixed media will elevate the prints to a fun, creative and unique piece of art! Cake and party hats will add to the artsy celebration.

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK

Feb. 25: **Over There! A Landscape in the Art of Collage** - Students will discuss far off lands, both real and imagined, and then make them come to life! Using mixed media techniques including colored pencil, found paper of various colors and textures and more, their landscapes will come alive!

DRUSILLA LANE PARK

April 1: **Let's Get Muddy!** - Saturday Morning Studios is moving to BREC's Drusilla Lane Park's Clay Studio this month! Students will learn about the art of ceramics, practice hand building skills, as well as basic wheel throwing techniques. What a fun way to get muddy! (Glazing is not part of this workshop and class is limited to 6 students.)

10:30 a.m.-noon / Ages: 8-12
\$12 for EBR Parish residents
\$14.40 for out-of-parish residents
Pottery Fees: \$25 for EBR Parish residents
\$27.50 out-of-parish residents
More info: robin.mcandrew@brec.org
[225-228-2649](tel:225-228-2649)
To register: webtrac.brec.org

ART IMAGINATION

Find all the things that you love the most about art and let your imagination run wild. Participants will create arts and crafts projects while enjoying soft music.

KERR WARREN PARK + MILLS AVENUE PARK + MONTE SANO PARK

Wednesday / Year-round / 5-6 p.m. / Ages: 6+

More info: vselvege@brec.org

To register: webtrac.brec.org

FOR THE NEWBIE ARTISTS! STUDIO 3, 4, 5

It's never too early to begin creative play with art! This class will introduce both the grown-up and child to the fundamentals of art through songs, games and introduction to brush work, watercolors, tempera, pastels and mixed media. Grown-ups are required to stay with students.

BARINGER ART CENTER

March 7 + 21 + April 4 + 18

Tuesday / 9:30-10:30 a.m. / Ages: 3-5

\$40 for EBR Parish residents

\$48 out-of-parish residents

More info: robin.mcandrew@brec.org

[225-228-2649](tel:225-228-2649)

To register: webtrac.brec.org

LITTLE PICASSOS

This is an introduction to the fun aspects of art! Young artists will experience their first art basics by experimenting with paint, oil pastels, watercolor and mixed media. One meeting will be devoted to each media.

ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK

Session 1: Jan. 10 + 17 + 24 + 31

Session 2: Feb. 7 + 14 + 28 + March 7

Tuesday / 4:30-5:30 p.m. / Ages: 5-7

\$30 per session for EBR Parish residents

\$36 per session for out-of-parish residents

More info: robin.mcandrew@brec.org

[225-228-2649](tel:225-228-2649)

To register: webtrac.brec.org

LOOSE ENDS

Let BREC Art help with the mid-week slump! Twice a month, Baringer Art Center will open its doors to the creative world of art! Music, artsy games, art films, art chats and visual art will be part of this on-going series. Classes will vary from week to week and will not repeat.

BARINGER ART CENTER

Feb. 1 + 15 + March 15 + 29 + April 5 + 19

Wednesday / 4:30-5:30 p.m. / Ages 8-12

\$10 per visit per child for EBR Parish residents

\$12 for out-of-parish residents

More info: robin.mcandrew@brec.org

[225-228-2649](tel:225-228-2649)

To register: webtrac.brec.org

ADULT ART PROGRAMS

ART UNWINED

Tired of the same ol' paint and drink?! If so, then check out BREC Art's adult-only, fun and creative grown-up time outs. Each of these classes are designed to encourage and inspire while enjoying beverages and nibbles. All art supplies, nibbles and adult (or not) beverages included.

Great for friend get-togethers, bridal parties, corporate team building or just making new friends! Private ART UnWined bookings are also available. Must be 21 to join the fun.

DRUSILLA LANE PARK

Feb. 10: **Clay Sweeties!** - Great for couples and best friends! This Valentine inspired clay class will allow participants to throw and decorate a bowl and glaze heart shaped bisqueware mugs. Muddy Mary's and sweet treats are all part of the fun! Class taught by ceramicist, Sandy Parfait. This class is limited to 6 couples!

BARINGER ART CENTER

March 3: **Welcome, Spring!** - This class invites participants to welcome spring by painting a bouquet of colorful flowers in a personalized (artistic freedom!) vase. Complementing the freshly painted bouquets will be wine, cheese and sweet treats.

BARINGER ART CENTER

April 21: **April Showers** - Have you ever walked through a warm spring rain with no particular destination? This class hopes to invoke that feeling with a lovely painted image of walking through the rain under softly glowing lights. Wine and charcuterie will be served.

6:30-8:30 p.m. / Ages: 21+

\$45 for EBR Parish Residents

\$49.50 for Out-of-Parish Residents

Pottery Fees: \$50 per couple for EBR Parish residents /

\$55 per couple for out-of-parish residents

More info: robin.mcandrew@brec.org

[225-228-2649](tel:225-228-2649)

To register: webtrac.brec.org

MUDDY BUDDIES: A CLAY WHEEL THROWING CLASS FOR BEGINNERS

This class is for those who've always wanted to touch, throw and play with clay! We will use the potter's wheel to learn how to make basic shapes used in all pottery: the cylinder and the bowl. With these two shapes we will create, and design mugs and bowls limited only by your own imagination! This class will also explore trimming and how to glaze. You will finish this fun class with your own mugs, bowls, and the experience of making art on a potter's wheel. Let's get muddy!

DRUSILLA LANE PARK

Session 1: March 14 + 21 + 28 + April 4

Session 2: March 16 + 23 + 30 + April 6

6-8 p.m. / Ages: 16+

\$150 for EBR Parish residents

\$180 for out-of-parish residents

More info: jpoulter@brec.org [225-228-2624](tel:225-228-2624)

To register: webtrac.brec.org

OPEN CLAY STUDIO NEW!

BREC Art is proud to offer scheduled open wheel use for both seasoned clay artists and beginners. Our new studio has everything you need to throw the perfect piece including tools and our new potter's wheels.

DRUSILLA LANE PARK

Tuesday + Thursday / 5-6:30 p.m. + 7-8:30 p.m.

Saturday / 8:30-10 a.m. + 10:30 a.m.-noon

For available dates + times visit BREC.org/OpenStudio

\$25 per hour and a half session

\$30 for out-of-parish residents

More info:  jpoulter@brec.org  225-228-2624

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

IMAGES IN CLAY NEW!

Join arts educator and ceramicist, Heather Berrios, for this new fun and different two-part class that will teach students how to create memories that will last a lifetime! Using hand building techniques, students will etch their photos onto clay through a trace and transfer technique that will then be fired and glazed. What a special gift or keepsake! All supplies included.


DRUSILLA LANE PARK

April 15 + 22 / 10 a.m.-noon / Ages: 16+

\$75 for EBR Parish residents

\$82.50 for out-of-parish residents

More info:  robin.mcandrew@brec.org

 225-228-2649

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

ART INTENSIVE WORKSHOP! NEW!

Join us at BREC's Baringer Art Center for our first-ever series of workshops for adults. These two-hour workshops will highlight a different art process at each meeting. Designed for participants to learn skills that will enable them to continue their interests on their own. Each session will be taught by professional artist and illustrator, Holly Stone-Barker. All supplies included.

BARINGER ART CENTER

Feb. 13: **Mono Printing** - Create a mono print by learning a simple technique using ink, a quill pen, and watercolors.

Feb. 27: **Gelli® Plate Printing**

Learn how to use a Gelli® plate to create beautiful texture papers by using acrylic paint and a variety of texture tools and paper.

March 13: **Sketchbook 101** - During this workshop participants we will learn simple and fun ways to create in a sketchbook by using color pencils, markers and watercolor.


March 27: **Birds in Collage** - In this workshop students will choose from a variety of painted papers to snip and glue to create a bird using elevated collage techniques.

9:30-11:30 a.m. / Ages: 18+

\$30 for EBR Parish residents

\$33 for out-of-parish residents

More info:  robin.mcandrew@brec.org

 225-228-2649

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

ARTIST'S STUDIO NEW!

Have a question? Need more space? Lack motivation? Then this new, FREE offering from BREC Art is for you! Bring your supplies and your art piece to our studio time and let professional artist, Holly Stone-Barker provide guidance, give useful and practical advice and inspire you to begin or finish a polished piece of art! Basic supplies including water cups, paper towels, a variety of used brushes, basic paint colors, color pencils and a basic palette of watercolors, will be available. REMEMBER: This is NOT a class! This is time for artists to gather, get advice, share work and meet like-minded friends.

BARINGER ART CENTER

Feb. 17: **Painting – Acrylic or Watercolor**


March 3: **Collage**

April 21: **Sketching**

May 5: **Painting – Acrylic or Watercolor**

9:30 a.m.-noon / Ages: 16+ / Free

More info:  robin.mcandrew@brec.org

 225-228-2649

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

ADULT PAINT NIGHT

Join us for an adult-only event that is designed to encourage and inspire creativity. All art supplies will be provided.

NORTH STREET PARK

April 22 / 6-8 p.m. / Ages: 18+ / \$20

More info:  jeremy.isaac@brec.org  225-928-7860

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

THEATRE + DANCE

THEATRE

INTRO TO ACTING FOR KIDS

This class is for kids ages 7-11, with little or no previous acting experience. Students practice techniques to develop relaxation, concentration, and stage presence in front of an audience. Class work includes group and individual exercises, theatre games, improvisation, and written critique of live theatre productions.

INDEPENDENCE EVENT CENTER

Tuesday / Jan. 10-Feb. 28 / 5:30-7 p.m. / Ages: 7-11

\$200 for EBR Parish residents

\$240 for out-of-parish residents

More info:  theparktheatre.com

FILM PRODUCTION

This course introduces students, ages 17 and older, to the basics of film analysis, cinematic formal elements, genre, and narrative structure and helps students develop the skills to recognize, analyze, describe, and enjoy film as an art and entertainment form. This course will focus on using the skills acquired to create a short project commercial.

INDEPENDENCE EVENT CENTER

Tuesday / Jan. 10-Feb. 28 / 7-8:30 p.m. / Ages: 17+

\$200 for EBR Parish residents

\$240 for out-of-parish residents

More info:  theparktheatre.com

INTRO TO ACTING FOR YOUTH

This class is for young people, ages 12-16, with little or no previous acting experience. Students practice techniques to develop relaxation, concentration, and stage presence in front of an audience. Class work includes group and individual exercises, theatre games, improvisation, and written critique of live theatre productions.

INDEPENDENCE EVENT CENTER

Wednesday / Jan. 11-March 1 / 5:30-7 p.m.

Ages: 12-16

\$200 for EBR Parish residents

\$240 for out-of-parish residents

More info: [theparktheatre.com](https://www.theparktheatre.com)

JAZZ/HIP HOP DANCE CLASS FOR YOUTH

This dance class combines techniques of classical ballet and modern dance with current forms of popular dance. Classes include warm up, isolations, stretches, across the floor progressions, and choreography combinations.

INDEPENDENCE EVENT CENTER

Wednesday / Jan. 11-March 1 / 7-8:30 p.m.

Ages: 12-16

\$200 for EBR Parish residents

\$240 for out-of-parish residents

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INDEPENDENCE EVENT CENTER

Thursday / Jan. 12-March 2 / 5:30-7 p.m. / Ages: 17+

\$200 for EBR Parish residents

\$240 for out-of-parish residents

More info: [theparktheatre.com](https://www.theparktheatre.com)

FILM PRODUCTION FOR YOUTH

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INDEPENDENCE EVENT CENTER

Tuesday / March 7-April 25 / 7-8:30 p.m. / Ages: 12-16

\$200 for EBR Parish residents

\$240 for out-of-parish residents

More info: [theparktheatre.com](https://www.theparktheatre.com)

DANCE

MUSICAL THEATRE DANCE

Musical Theatre is a jazz-based class filled with Broadway style dancing and music. Classes incorporate the style of dance one would typically see on a Broadway stage. This form of dancing emphasizes learning performance skills such as connecting with the audience and facial expressions.

INDEPENDENCE EVENT CENTER

Thursday / Jan. 12-March 2 / 7-8:30 p.m. / Ages: 17+

\$200 for EBR Parish residents

\$240 for out-of-parish residents

More info: [theparktheatre.com](https://www.theparktheatre.com)

ART IN MOTION

Want to learn how to dance? This program will teach you the basics of the genres of jazz, tap, ballet and hip hop. Bring your moves and come join us to get your groove on. A recital will be held at the end of the program to show off dance routines learned. Class is open to all levels of skills.

PERKINS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

Tuesday / Jan. 3-Feb. 28

5:30-6:30 p.m. / Ages: 6-9

6:30-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 10-15

\$22 per month

More info: dbarlow@brec.org

225-766-5209

To register: [webtrac.brec.org](https://www.webtrac.brec.org)

HIP HOP / MAJORETTES DANCE

Dance to the moon and reach for the stars. Majorettes Dance also known as HBCU Dance includes 8 counts dance struts and jumps inspired by the clean and crisp technique of jazz and the energy and attitude of hip hop.

EXXON YMCA AT HOWELL PLACE GYM

Wednesday / Jan. 11-April 26 / 6:30-8 p.m.

Ages: 6-16 / \$22 per month

More info: vselvage@brec.org

To register: [webtrac.brec.org](https://www.webtrac.brec.org)

INTRODUCTION TO DANCE FOR KIDS

Critical analysis of dance as a cultural and expressive art form, studied through lecture, reading, research, multimedia presentations, and practical movement experiences. This will introduce kids to various techniques of dance.

INDEPENDENCE EVENT CENTER

Tuesday / March 7-April 25 / 5:30-7 p.m. / Ages: 7-11

\$200 for EBR Parish residents

\$240 for out-of-parish residents

More info: [theparktheatre.com](https://www.theparktheatre.com)

INTRODUCTION TO DANCE FOR YOUTH

Critical analysis of dance as a cultural and expressive art form, studied through lecture, reading, research, multimedia presentations, and practical movement experiences. This class will introduce kids to various techniques of dance.

INDEPENDENCE EVENT CENTER

Wednesday / March 8-April 26 / 5:30-7 p.m.

Ages: 12-16

\$200 for EBR Parish residents

\$240 for out-of-parish residents

More info:  theparktheatre.com

MUSICAL THEATRE DANCE FOR YOUTH

Musical Theatre is a jazz-based class filled with Broadway style dancing and music. Classes incorporate the style of dance one would typically see on a Broadway stage. This form of dancing emphasizes learning performance skills such as connecting with the audience and facial expressions.

INDEPENDENCE EVENT CENTER

Wednesday / March 8-April 26 / 7-8:30 p.m.

Ages: 12-16

\$200 for EBR Parish residents

\$240 for out-of-parish residents

More info:  theparktheatre.com

INTRODUCTION TO DANCE

Critical analysis of dance as a cultural and expressive art form, studied through lecture, reading, research, multimedia presentations, and practical movement experiences. This class will introduce participants to various techniques of dance.

INDEPENDENCE EVENT CENTER

Thursday / March 9-April 27 / 5:30-7 p.m. / Ages: 17+

\$200 for EBR Parish residents

\$240 for out-of-parish residents

More Info:  theparktheatre.com

JAZZ/HIP HOP DANCE CLASS

This dance class combines techniques of classical ballet and modern dance with current forms of popular dance. Classes include warm up, isolations, stretches, across the floor progressions, and choreography combinations.

INDEPENDENCE EVENT CENTER

Thursday / March 9-April 27 / 7-8:30 p.m. / Ages: 17+

\$200 for EBR Parish residents

\$240 for out-of-parish residents

More Info:  theparktheatre.com

HEALTH + WELLNESS

 BREC.ORG/HEALTHANDWELLNESS

Opportunities listed below are for all ages and no fees are associated unless otherwise noted. Please see the table of contents for more information if special accommodations are needed.

PROGRAMS

CIRCUIT TRAINING

Are you ready to take a step in the right direction into a healthier you? Our new circuit training program is designed to improve heart health along with muscular endurance and increase strength. Grab your water and towel and join us for this full body workout.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK

Monday / Jan. 2-May 15 / 6-7 p.m. / Ages: 16+

\$24 per month

More info:  jeremy.isaac@brec.org  225-928-7860

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

TANG SOO DO

Interested in learning a form of karate? This class is a traditional Korean marital art and is a primarily system of empty-handed self-defense techniques. It is taught by an instructor with an extensive martial arts background.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK

Monday + Wednesday / Jan. 2-May 17 / Ages: 6+

Beginner: 5:30-6:30 p.m. / \$25 per month

Advanced: 6:30-7:30 p.m. / \$30 per month

More info:  jeremy.isaac@brec.org  225-928-7860

To register:  webtrac.brec.org



30/30 WORKOUT CLASS

Join us for 30 minutes of bodyweight workouts followed by 30 minutes of cardio kickboxing while building stamina, changing the composition of the body and burning calories. Body weight exercises mixed with cardio improves your cardiovascular endurance and your muscle strength together so grab your water bottle, a workout partner and get ready to work!

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK

Tuesday / Jan. 3-May 16 / 6-7 p.m. / Ages: 16+
\$10 per class

More info: 📧 jeremy.isaac@brec.org 📞 225-928-7860
To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

ZUMBA®

Come party yourself into shape with Zumba® classes. Zumba® is a Latin-inspired, easy-to-follow, calorie-burning, and dance-fitness party you do not want to miss. It fuses hypnotic Latin rhythms and easy to follow aerobic moves to create a one-of-a-kind fitness program that is energizing. Sign up and start dancing your way to a healthier, more vibrant you!

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK

Thursday / Jan. 5-May 18 / 7-8 p.m. / \$24 per month

LOVETT ROAD PARK

Monday + Thursday / Jan. 5-June 29 / 6-7 p.m.
\$30 per month for two one-hour classes per week

Ages: 16+

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

VOLLEY TENNIS

Looking for a workout for the entire body. Your legs, shoulders, arms, hands, upper back, and lower back all get a good workout. Try learning how to play volley tennis. Come join us today!

LONGFELLOW PARK

Wednesday / Jan. 11-April 26 / 6-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 16+

More info: 📧 vselvege@brec.org

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

FOREST TRAIL BLAZERS

Meet up with other walkers and joggers of all abilities before hitting the trails for fellowship and fitness. Sign-in at the recreation center.

FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

Tuesday + Wednesday + Thursday / year-round
10 a.m.-2 p.m. / Ages 18+

More info: 📞 225-256-2949

LINE DANCING

Line Dancing is a beginner workout plan made to be fun and safe for anyone. We explore a variety of methods to get you moving with a mix of line dancing and aerobics.

NORTH SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

Tuesday + Thursday / year-round / 6-7 p.m. / Ages: 16+
\$36 per month for two one-hour classes per week

More info: 📧 britiany.sensley@brec.org

📞 225-229-3966

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

PILATES

Pilates combines low-impact strength exercises concentrating on posture, balance and flexibility which develops through muscular efforts stemming from the core. Similar to yoga, Pilates encourages deep, conscious breathing which also gives the exercise therapeutic and preventative benefits. This class is open to all levels of ability.

LOVETT ROAD PARK

Thursday / year-round / 6:30-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 16+
\$15 per month

More info: 📧 britiany.sensley@brec.org

📞 225-229-3966

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

MARTIAL ARTS

Martial arts class teaches how to exercise the mind, body, and spirit through focused, purposeful movements. In addition to self-defense skills, participants learn self-discipline, self-confidence, and positive social behaviors.

LONGFELLOW PARK

Tuesday + Wednesday / year-round / 6:30-7:30 p.m.
6-18 (Beginner) / 16-18 (Intermediate)
\$22 per month

More info: 📧 vselvege@brec.org

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

HOLIDAY EVENTS + CAMPS

 BREC.ORG/HOLIDAYCAMPS

Opportunities listed below are for all ages and no fees are associated unless otherwise noted. Please see the table of contents for more information if special accommodations are needed.

EVENTS

I HEART MY ZOO DAY

Join the Zoo for a Valentine extravaganza! This action-packed day includes Safari Amphitheater programs featuring the sometimes-strange and amazing "birds and the bees" facts as they apply to our affectionate animals. Make a valentine for your favorite person or animal!

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

Feb. 11 / 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Regular Zoo admission applies. Free for Members.

SWEETHEART NIGHT

Do you have Valentine's Day Plans? Bring a friend or your sweetheart and join us under the stars for an entertaining night including trivia, a movie showing, a sweetheart bike ride, refreshments, and photos to capture the night!

INDEPENDENCE EVENT CENTER

Feb. 11 / 5:30-8:30 p.m. / Ages: 18+

More info:  recreationevents@brec.org

To register:  brec.org/sweetheart

Registration: Jan. 1-Feb. 6


MARDI GRAS MASK PAINTING

Missed out on the Mardi Gras festivities? No worries. Come and join BREC in an opportunity to not only experience a piece of Mardi Gras but also paint your own masquerade mask. Best mask wins a secret prize. Snacks and beverages will be provided.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK

Feb. 18 / noon-2 p.m. / Ages: 3+ / \$5

More info:  jeremy.isaac@brec.org

 225-928-7860

To register:  brec.org/mgmask

INDEPENDENCE PARK THEATRE PRESENTS:

POLKADOTS-THE COOL KIDS MUSICAL

A family musical, inspired by the Little Rock 9, which reminds young audiences that our individual differences make us awesome, not outcasts. 'Polkadots: The Cool Kids Musical' follows eight-year-old Lily Polkadot who just moved to the "Squares Only" small town of Rockaway. As the first Polkadot in an all-Square school, Lily faces the almost impossible task of gaining acceptance from her peers. From daily bullying to segregated drinking fountains, Lily's quest seems hopeless until she meets Sky, a shy Square boy whose curiosity for her unique polka-dot skin blooms into an unexpected friendship.

INDEPENDENCE PARK THEATRE

Feb. 21 / 7 p.m.

Ticket Price: Adults \$15 / Kids \$10

More info:  theparktheatre.com

MOVIE IN THE PARK EGGSTRAVAGANZA

Grab your lawn chair or blanket and HOP on in to enjoy a day filled with family fun. There will be exciting spring themed activities prior to the start of the movie. Check out BREC's Facebook page or brec.org to see the movie lineup.

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK

March 8 / noon-3 p.m. / All ages

More info:  recreationevents@brec.org

MARDI GRAS FUN RUN

Laissez les bons temps rouler, marcher, courir! We are bringing Mardi Gras flair to Roll, Walk, Run this year in partnership with Community Events, Adaptive Recreation, and Outdoor Adventure! Come on out to promote Developmental Disability Awareness Month. Open to everyone regardless of your ability. The Developmental Disability awareness color is yellow - we encourage plenty of purple and green but go all out with moving in whatever way you can!

PERKINS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

March 11 / 10 a.m.-noon / All ages

Registration: Jan. 1-March 6

To register:  brec.org/funrun

CONTINUOUS EGG HUNT

Question - What do you get when you combine kids, eggs, prizes, and fun? You get BREC's Continuous Egg Hunt! We invite you to join us for this family-fun event - games, face painting, bounce houses, arts & crafts, petting zoo, and a special appearance from - just you wait and see!

JACKSON COMMUNITY PARK

March 18 / 1-3 p.m.

FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

March 25 / 1-3 p.m.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK

April 1 / 1-3 p.m. / All ages

More info:  recreationevents@brec.org

ZIPPITY ZOO FEST

BREC's Baton Rouge Zoo will hold its annual spring festival, Zippity Zoo Fest. Come celebrate the Zoo's 53rd Birthday this year!!! We'll have a Children's Village, education stations, food court, and animal encounters.

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

April 1 + 2 / 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Regular Zoo admission applies. Free for Members.

CAMPS

MLK YOUTH PICKLEBALL CLINIC

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Jan. 16 / 8:30-11:30 a.m. / Ages: 6-17

\$10 for EBR Parish residents

\$12 for out-of-parish residents

To register:  webtrac.brec.org  225-209-8310

Registration deadline: Jan. 12

MARDI GRAS YOUTH PICKLEBALL CLINIC

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Feb. 20 / 8:30-11:30 a.m. / Ages: 6-17

\$10 for EBR Parish residents

\$12 for out-of-parish residents

To register:  webtrac.brec.org  225-209-8310

Registration deadline: Feb. 16

SPRING HOLIDAY PICKLEBALL YOUTH CLINIC

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Monday + Wednesday + Friday / April 10-14

8:30-11:30 a.m. / Ages: 6-17

Single Day:

\$10 for EBR Parish residents

\$12 for out-of-parish residents

Two Days:

\$18 for EBR Parish residents

\$21.60 for out-of-parish residents

Three Days:

\$25 for EBR Parish residents

\$30 for out-of-parish residents

To register:  webtrac.brec.org  225-209-8310

Registration deadline: April 7

MARDI GRAS JUNIOR TENNIS CAMP

Full-day campers must bring their own lunch.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Feb. 20-24 / Ages: 4-17

Full day / 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Single Day:

\$45 for EBR Parish residents

\$54 for out-of-parish residents

Full Week:

\$195 for EBR Parish residents

\$234 for out-of-parish residents

Half Day / 9-11:30 a.m.

Single Half Day:

\$35 for EBR Parish residents

\$42 for out-of-parish residents

Full Week Half Day:

\$155 for EBR Parish residents

\$186 for out-of-parish residents

To register:  webtrac.brec.org  225-766-0247


Registration deadline: Feb. 17 (\$10 late fee)

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Feb. 20-22 / 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. / Ages: 6-16

\$130 for EBR Parish residents

\$156 for out-of-parish residents

To register:  webtrac.brec.org  225-923-2792

Registration deadline: Feb. 17

SUPER TUESDAY TENNIS CAMP

This one-day camp includes tennis instruction. Campers must bring their own lunch.

CAPITAL ONE TENNIS CENTER

AT CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK

Feb. 21 / 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. / Ages: 5-16

\$55 for EBR Parish residents

\$66 for out-of-parish residents

To register:  webtrac.brec.org  225-343-3767

Registration deadline: Feb. 17 (\$5 late fee)

SPRING HOLIDAY JUNIOR TENNIS CAMP

This three-day camp includes tennis instruction and a visit to the splash pad (campers should bring change of clothes). Campers must bring their own lunch.

CAPITAL ONE TENNIS CENTER

AT CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK

April 4-6 / 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. / Ages: 5-16

\$129 for EBR Parish residents

\$154.80 for out-of-parish residents

To register:  webtrac.brec.org  225-343-3767

Registration deadline: March 31 (\$5 late fee)

SPRING HOLIDAY JUNIOR TENNIS CAMP

Full-day campers must bring their own lunch.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

April 10-14 / Ages: 4-17

Full day / 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Single Day:

\$45 for EBR Parish residents

\$54 for out-of-parish residents

Full Week:

\$195 for EBR Parish residents

\$234 for out-of-parish residents

Half Day / 9-11:30 a.m.

Single Half Day:

\$35 for EBR Parish residents

\$42 for out-of-parish residents

Full Week Half Day:

\$155 for EBR Parish residents

\$186 for out-of-parish residents

To register:  webtrac.brec.org  225-766-0247

Registration deadline: April 7 (\$10 late fee)

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

April 10-14 / Ages: 6-16

Monday-Thursday / 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Friday / 8:30-11:30 a.m.

\$150 for EBR Parish residents

\$180 for out-of-parish residents

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-923-2792

Registration Deadline: April 7

SPRING HOLIDAY RIDING CAMP

Holiday Riding Camp will teach your child basic riding skills, horsemanship, horse care, and stable management, in addition to fun crafts and friendship, while enjoying the beautiful spring weather outdoors. This one-day camp will focus on either English or Western riding in a smaller, more concentrated environment, taught by an instructor specializing in the chosen discipline. All campers will have their own horse, and ride for a total of 1-2 hours per day.

FARR PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER

English Riding - April 10

Western Riding - April 11

8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Ages: 9-12 (ten riders maximum) / \$75 per day

More info: 📧 camille.chapman@brec.org

📞 225-769-7805

BLUEBONNET SWAMP BUSY BEE SPRING CAMP

Bring your child to Bluebonnet Swamp for three days of fun during the holiday break. They'll be treated to nature-based activities such as arts and crafts, live animal encounters, hikes, games, and a themed afternoon snack. Each day will be comprised of different activities, and campers will need to bring a bag lunch and drink each day. Activities in spring camp will focus on springtime topics such as baby animals, blooming plants, and bees. Registration opens March 1.

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

April 10-12 / 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. / Ages: 6-12

\$75 for EBR Parish residents

\$90 for out-of-parish residents

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

📍 Bluebonnet Swamp Nature Center

More Info: 📞 225-757-8905 📧 sguidry@brec.org

MAGNOLIA MOUND SPRING HOLIDAY CAMP

Campers will explore early 19th century history and make Spring-themed crafts. From touring the historic house to playing old-fashioned games, campers will love learning about the past. The two days will end with campers cooking in the open-hearth kitchen and visiting the museum store. Free before and after care is available from 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

MAGNOLIA MOUND

April 11-12 / 9 a.m.-4 p.m. / Ages: 7-12

\$50 for EBR Parish residents

\$60 for out of parish residents

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225 343-4955

Registration deadline: April 14



NATURE EXPLORERS SPRING CAMP!

Nature Explorers Camp is all about getting your child outside for a hands-on exploration of nature. Bring your camper to Palomino Drive Park for two days of fun during the Spring Break. Campers will explore the park and enjoy the great outdoors while learning exciting facts about the nature around them. Our activities are designed to keep your camper engaged, learning, and having a blast throughout the entire camp. Each day will be comprised of different activities, outdoor games, crafts, and experiments. For this camp, we will be investigating the wild hustle and bustle of spring. After the nap of winter, nature bursts into life in the spring! Plants and animals race around to wake up and take advantage of nature's bounty before it gets too hot. Come join us as we explore flowers, frogs, and so much more! Campers will need to bring a bag lunch, drink, and snacks each day.

PALOMINO DRIVE PARK

April 10-11 / 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. / Ages: 7-12

\$50 for EBR Parish residents

\$60 for out-of-parish residents

More info: 📧 conservation@brec.org 📞 225-218-4979

SPRING ZOO CAMP

What could be more fun during spring break than hanging out with the animals? Zoo Camp includes guided walks through the Zoo and seasonally-themed games and crafts. Children will also have the opportunity to get up-close-and-personal with Zoo animals.

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

April 10-14 / 9 a.m.-4 p.m. / Ages: 6-12

\$130 per child for EBR Parish residents

\$152 per child for out-of-parish residents

Early drop-off at 7:30 a.m. + late pick-up until 5:30 p.m. are available at no additional fee

BREC-XPEDITIONS

Calling all Junior Adventurers! Looking for a fun adventure for your kids to enjoy during their Spring Break? Look no further than our BREC-Xpeditions. Our experienced staff will lead participants on paddling and hiking adventures. Exact field trip locations will be weather dependent.

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK

April 11 - Paddling Expedition

April 13 - Hiking Expedition

8 a.m.-5 p.m. / Ages: 10-14

\$25 for EBR Parish residents

\$30 for out-of-parish residents

More info: 📧 outdooradventure@brec.org

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

SPACE EXPLORATION CAMP

Campers review highlights of American space program via interactive demos and games. Each session has a theme, chemical rocket construction and science inquiry activities.

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY

April 11-12 / 8 a.m.-5 p.m. / Ages: 9-13

\$55 for EBR Parish resident

\$66 for out-of-parish resident

More info: 🌐 brec.org/observatory

To register: 📧 webtrac.brec.org

📍 Highland Road Park Observatory

Registration deadline: April 4

SPRING HOLIDAY ART CAMP

Campers will hop into the season by creating spring inspired art projects in an atmosphere of fun and encouragement. Media for projects includes paint, clay, watercolor, pastels and mixed media.

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK

April 12-14 / 8 a.m.-5 p.m. / Ages: 7-10

\$96 for EBR Parish residents

\$105.60 for out-of-parish residents

More info: 📧 robin.mcandrew@brec.org

📞 225-272-9200 EXT 1505

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

Summer Camp Registration begins March 4

LEISURE + ENRICHMENT

🌐 BREC.ORG/KIDSANDCOMMUNITY

Opportunities listed below are for all ages and no fees are associated unless otherwise noted. Please see the table of contents for more information if special accommodations are needed.

EVENTS

CAMP-IN'

Get inspired through games, crafts, and activities highlighting our favorite summer camp moments. Each camp-in day will highlight different specialty weeks from the summer such as STEAM, Safari, and Power-Up along with guests/instructors and/or field trips. Campers should bring a lunch and 2 snacks and be dressed for indoor and outdoor activities.

LOVETT ROAD PARK

Jan. 16 + March 20 + April 7 / 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Ages: 6-12 / \$25 per day

More info: 📞 225-261-0126

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

FAMILY GAME NIGHT

Want to enjoy family bonding time? Join us for family game night, every third Friday of the month to choose from a variety of activities, board games and teambuilding games. Grab your family members and friends to join us for a night of family fun.

CEDAR RIDGE DRIVE PARK + NORTH STREET PARK

Jan. 20 + Feb. 17 + March 17 + April 21 + May 19

6-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 3+

More info: 🌐 brec.org/familygamenight

📧 jeremy.isaac@brec.org 📞 225-928-7860

COMMUNITY BONFIRE

Let's light up the night and welcome in the new year! Join us for an evening of fun at BREC's Community Bonfire. Bring a chair, have a picnic, or dance the night away! There will be s'mores, hot chocolate, fun entertainment, and much more!

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

Jan. 21 / 4-8 p.m. / All ages

Registration: Dec. 1-Jan. 16

More info: 🌐 brec.org/bonfire

📧 recreationevents@brec.org

GLOW IN THE PARK

Ready... Set... Glow! Gather friends and family for glow-in-the-dark team-based games at locations throughout the parish.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

Volleyball: Jan. 23 / 6-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 16+

BAKER PARK

Kickball: Feb. 17 / 6-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 3+

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK BALLFIELD

Kickball: Feb. 24 / 6-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 3+

ANTIOCH BOULEVARD PARK

Capture the Flag: March 10 / 6-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 8+

JACKSON COMMUNITY PARK

Kickball: March 10 / 6-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 3+

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK

Volleyball: April 13 / 6-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 16+

\$5 per person

Contact the facility for more information

SWEET TOOTH DESIGNS

Learn the basics of decorating cookies from the correct use of icing to the variety of ways you can top your sweet treat. All participants will get to take their cookie home to show their family, if it doesn't get eaten right away!

BEN BURGE PARK

Feb. 9 / 6-7 p.m. / Ages: 5-12

More info: dbarlow@bec.org

To register: bec.org/sweettooth

ESL WORKSHOP

Learning a second language at an early age not only advances kids educationally but gives kids a great confidence in learning and a bigger view of the world. This introductory and interactive session for both English and Spanish speakers will help develop basic conversational vocabulary that promotes communication in a bilingual community and throughout.

BEN BURGE PARK

March 21 / 1-3:30 p.m. / All ages

More info: dbarlow@bec.org 225-769-0305

To register: webtrac.brec.org

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Deciding on the career path you want to take in life is a challenge, especially for youth. This development course for Middle and High School students will explore career opportunities, how to ensure the correct preparation to reach your goals and the importance of supportive mentors through the whole process. Meal is included. Registration is required.

BEN BURGE PARK

March 28 / 6:30-8 p.m. / Ages: 12+

More info: dbarlow@bec.org 225-769-0305

To register: webtrac.brec.org On-site

ADULT GAME NIGHT

Come and join us in the night full of fun that will include food/drinks and a variety of games that include dominoes, card games, poker, and bingo. Sit back, relax and enjoy a game night strictly meant for adults.

JEFFERSON HIGHWAY PARK

April 8 / 6-8 p.m. / Ages: 21+ / \$5 per person

More info: jeremy.isaac@bec.org 225-928-7860

To register: webtrac.brec.org

WILD WINE WALK

Guests are invited to stroll through the zoo for an early evening of wine tasting, food sampling, live music & much more. The VIP experience will include an hour early access to the event & a commemorative wine tumbler. This 3rd annual event promises to be a WILDLY good time!

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

April 21 / 5-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 21+

General Admission / 4 p.m. entry for VIP

For tickets: wildwinewalk.org

FAMILY KARAOKE NIGHT

Pump up the JAMS - spend some quality time with your family but can't decide on an event. Come join us for a fun night singing your favorite songs with your friends and family. There will be refreshments, board games, inflatables, fun family photos, and wholesome musical fun!

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK THEATER LAWN

April 28 / 6-8 p.m. / All ages

More info: recreationevents@brec.org

To register: bec.org/karaoke

Registration: Jan. 1-April 24

PROGRAMS

LEISURE

SATURDAYS IN THE PARK

It's not just an ordinary day in the park. At Saturdays in the Park, there will be some extra excitement to add to your day of play! Roll out of bed and into your local park for pop-up activities to entertain, engage, and inspire all ages.

ANTIOCH BOULEVARD PARK + ALSEN PARK + INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK + HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK + HOWELL COMMUNITY PARK + JACKSON COMMUNITY PARK

Jan. 14 + Feb. 11 + March 11 + April 8 + May 13

10 a.m.-noon / Ages: 3+

QUILTING

Come join us for beginner quilting lessons! Participants will receive hands-on instruction to make a quilt top from our instructor. You will need a large cutting board, rotary cutter, long ruler, sharp scissors, straight pins, 100% cotton thread, a machine you are familiar with, or BREC can loan you a machine.

LOVETT ROAD PARK

Wednesdays / Jan. 11-Feb. 15 / 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Ages: 20+ / \$54 fee for 6 sessions

More info: britiany.sensley@brec.org

225-229-3966

To register: webtrac.brec.org



ENRICHMENT

AFTERSCHOOL ADVENTURES

Afterschool just got a little more adventurous! Introducing our new afternoon recreation program for youth ages 6-12. We will focus on fitness, health, Steam activities and 21st Century Skills. Daily programming will take place from 3:30-5:30 p.m. with one extended, enrichment day which will end at 7pm (days for extended time may vary). Our enrichment days will include field trips, guest speakers and special programming to provide unique experiences for participants. We will work with local school districts to provide transportation to our Adventure locations. Monthly fees include daily after school programming including early release days. Optional, extended service offering will be provided for teacher workdays and participants will also receive benefits of early bird registration and discount rates for our holiday camps when enrolled in the current monthly programming. For more information contact the facility.

ANTIOCH BOULEVARD PARK + CHURCH STREET PARK + LOVETT ROAD PARK

Monday-Friday / year-round / 3:30-5:30 p.m.
Ages: 6-12 / \$60 per month

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

BREC BEGINNINGS

BREC offers this part-time program as an opportunity for children ages 3-4 to experience and observe their natural world through observation and play. The curriculum focuses on inspiring curiosity, creativity, and socialization through arts & crafts, songs, physical activity, and more. For more information contact the facility.

CHURCH STREET PARK + FOREST COMMUNITY PARK + JACKSON COMMUNITY PARK

Monday-Thursday / year-round / 9 a.m.-noon
Ages: 3-4 / \$60 per month

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

KIDS IN THE KITCHEN

Kids in the Kitchen are mixing it up! This culinary arts program will teach young people how to use common ingredients and follow kid-friendly recipes for delicious and nutritious snacks.

SAIA PARK

Wednesday / Jan. 4-May 10 / 6-7 p.m.

GUS YOUNG AVENUE PARK

Tuesday / Jan. 10-April 25 / 5-6:30 p.m.

Ages: 6-12

LITTLE ADVENTURES


We offer a Parent Day Out program that gives children ages 3 and 4 the opportunity to experience a new adventure each week through the power of play. The recreation curriculum focuses on socialization, creativity and exploring your interest through play.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

Friday / Jan. 6-April 28 / 9 a.m.- noon

Ages: 3 + 4 / \$15 per month

More info:  dbarlow@brec.org

 225-767-4003

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

CHEFS R US


Thyme to turnip the beet! Using basic kitchen appliances and easy-to-follow recipes, Chefs R Us will offer a fresh take on classic food favorites, inspiring young people to experiment with new ingredients and create more nutritious culinary masterpieces the whole family can enjoy.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

Jan. 9 + 23 + Feb. 13 + 27 + March 13 + 27

FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

Jan. 16 + 30 + Feb. 6 + 20 + March 6 + 20
6-7 p.m. / Ages: 6-12 / \$15 per month

More info:  dbarlow@brec.org

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

KIDS AT PLAY

BREC offers a safe place with structured activities such as homework time, physical activities and healthy snacks. For more information contact the facility.

ALSEN PARK + CADILLAC STREET PARK + GUS YOUNG AVENUE PARK + MILLS AVENUE PARK + SAIA PARK

Monday-Friday / Jan. 9-May 17 / 3:30-5:30 p.m.
Ages: 5-12

DESIGN BY ME 101

Come have some fun at our Cameo 101 Design by Me class where we will teach you how to create and personalize your own shirt, mug, cap and so much more. Participants must bring with them their own laptop and items to personalize. This class is great for kids and adults.

GUS YOUNG AVENUE PARK

Monday / Jan. 9-April 24 / 6-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 16+

More info:  vselvage@brec.org

To register:  webtrac.brec.org


THE KIDS COVE


All kids ages 6 to 12 are welcome to enter The Kids Cove! Let's hang out on Tuesday and Thursdays for some fun like video games, board games or karaoke! Registration required before attending.

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK + GUS YOUNG AVENUE PARK

Tuesday + Thursday / Jan. 10-April 27
5-6:30 p.m. / Ages: 6-12

To register:  vselvage@brec.org

 225-775-1707 (Anna T.)

 225-926-5848 (Gus Young)

SCIENCE + NATURE

 BREC.ORG/SCIENCEANDNATURE

Opportunities listed below are for all ages and no fees are associated unless otherwise noted. Please see the table of contents for more information if special accommodations are needed.

EVENTS

BLUEBONNET FOREST PLANTING VOLUNTEER PROJECT

We are working to eradicate a non-native plant from Bluebonnet Swamp Conservation Area and we need your help to plant native trees and shrubs to keep the invasive plants from coming back. This project will require digging with a shovel and potentially carrying heavy plants around.

BLUEBONNET SWAMP CONSERVATION AREA

Feb. 4 / 9 a.m.-noon / Ages: 16+

More info:  conservation@brec.org

To register:  volunteer.brec.org


GEAUX FISH! CATFISH RODEO

Grab your fishing pole and head out with the family to GEAUX Fish! Our Geaux Fish Rodeos are a great opportunity to introduce new anglers to the sport of fishing or for the old veteran to test their skills. We will be stocking the pond with adult channel catfish to ensure you have plenty to catch and prizes galore. Don't miss this chance to bring home channel catfish for dinner and spend the day outside with the family. This event is weather dependent. Early registration is encouraged to guarantee a spot.

CENTRAL SPORTS PARK

Feb. 25 / 7:30-11:30 a.m. / All ages

More info:  conservation@brec.org

 225-218-4979

THE EDGE OF NIGHT - WINTER

Which stars are seen first? Are Mercury and Venus or the Moon out? Is that moving object a plane, a satellite or space debris? There is no other time like twilight. Bring it into your life!

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY

March 10 / 5:30-7:30 p.m. / All Ages / Free

More Info:  hrpo.lsu.edu

BREC GREEN FORCE VOLUNTEER TRAINING

BREC is looking to train a dedicated force of volunteers in resource management, education and programming. Learn how to help keep our habitats clean and healthy and earn rewards doing it. Only 20 volunteer hours a year commitment! Whether you want to learn more about invasive species removal, trail clearing or how to be a program or event aid, this training is for you! The training counts towards your total hours for the year. Lunch provided. Background check required.

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK + FIELD LOCATION

March 11 / 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. / Ages: 16+

More info:  conservation@brec.org

To register:  volunteer.brec.org

Registration deadline: Feb. 25

ROCKIN' AT THE SWAMP

Join us to explore the exciting world of rocks, minerals, gemstones, and fossils. Add to your rock collection or find some unique gift items at our Rockhound Market. Try your skill scaling our rock climbing wall. Learn to identify different rocks and minerals and make your own take-home identification card on our Treasure Trail. Experience the excitement of the gold rush while hunting for iron pyrite in our Gold Mine. Try out some rockin' crafts or paint your own Rock Animal in our craft corner. Explore ancient life forms in the Fossil Quarry. This is one rockin' day of fun highlighting geology and earth science. Pass discounts are available.

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

March 11 / 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Ages: 3-17 / \$4

Ages: 17+ / \$5

More Info:  225-757-8905  sguidry@brec.org

MEMBERS' NIGHT

A special night honoring our Friends of the Zoo members with special activities.

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

March 17 / 4-6:30 p.m. (Grounds close 7 p.m.)

Free for all members

BACK TO NATURE PHOTO CONTEST

Get out into our parks for our annual Back to Nature Photo Contest! The 2023 contest theme is "Community". Just like us, the great outdoors is filled with different communities and interactions between plants and animals. Each different organism plays a role in the ecosystem, just like we do in our own communities. Bees and butterflies pollinate flowers, fungi and beetles decompose organic matter, squirrels spread acorns around that lead to new oak trees, and so much more. When you go to one of our conservation sites and take a closer look at the flora and fauna around you, what interactions will you capture?

More info: 🌐 brec.org/photocontest

✉️ conservation@brec.org ☎️ 225-218-4979

Submission deadline: March 15

FLOWER FEST VOLUNTEER PROJECT

Come help us maintain our beautiful pollinator garden at Howell Community Park. This workshop/project will include weeding, re-mulching and learning about native plants. Come out and give your green thumb some use while learning something new!

HOWELL COMMUNITY PARK

April 1 / 9 a.m.-noon

Ages: 14+ (under 16 must be accompanied by an adult)

More info: 🌐 conservation@brec.org

To register: 🌐 volunteer.brec.org

PARTY FOR THE PLANET

What better way to celebrate our Earth than honoring the magnificent creatures that inhabit our planet? This is the largest combined Earth Day celebration in North America! The Baton Rouge Zoo's festivities include earth-friendly activities, animal encounters and educational family fun.

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

April 15/ 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Regular Zoo admission applies. Free for members.

BIOBLITZ 2023

Grab your field guides and boots and join BREC naturalists and local scientists as we explore and document the diversity of life, or "biodiversity", of Frenchtown Conservation Area. You can participate by attending a scheduled hike, helping to document species with local scientists around the park, meet local groups and organization that work to protect the natural spaces of Louisiana, practice hands on sampling, participate in live animal encounters, and more!

FRENCHTOWN ROAD CONSERVATION AREA

April 21-22 / All ages

More info: 🌐 conservation@brec.org

☎️ 225-218-4979

To register: 🌐 brec.org/bioblitz

INTERNATIONAL ASTRONOMY DAY

The largest and best IAD celebration within a day's driving distance of Baton Rouge. Music, games, food, demonstrations, rides, exhibitors, and sky viewings.

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY

April 29 / 3-11 p.m. / All Ages / Free

More info: 🌐 hrpo.lsu.edu

PROGRAMS

SCIENCE

FRIDAY NIGHT LECTURE SERIES

For twenty-five years this program has given patrons histories and possible futures. Skygazing tips, physics phenomena, space programs and famous events are covered.

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY

Friday / 7:30-8:30 p.m. / Ages: 14+ / Free

More info: 🌐 hrpo.lsu.edu

Please check website, programming is subject to change.

ADULT ASTRONOMY COURSES

Seasoned skygazers teach you how to focus, magnify and gauge transparency while using binoculars, telescopes and more. Get the most out of your skygazing investment or gift, so that you too can unlock wondrous views of the Heavens.

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY

Jan. 7: **Learn Your Binoculars**

Jan. 28: **Learn your Telescope**

3:30-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 18+

\$15 for EBR Parish residents

\$18 for out-of-parish residents

More info: 🌐 hrpo.lsu.edu

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

Registration deadline: Jan. 4 + Jan. 25

SCIENCE ACADEMY

Cadets are brought into the wonderful world of astronomy and give an exciting chance to explore gravity, simple machines, stars, spacecraft, meteors, the Earth-Moon system, asteroids and comets, and the electromagnetic spectrum. Registration closes the Friday before each class.

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY

Jan. 7 + 14 + 28 + Feb. 4 + 11 + 25 + March 4 + 11 + 25 + April 1 + 8 + 15 + May 6 + 13 + 27
10 a.m.-noon / Ages 8-12

\$5 for EBR Parish residents

\$6 for out-of-parish residents

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

📍 Highland Road Park Observatory

PLUS NIGHT

Get something extra beyond standard viewing: sky tours, physical science demos, "birth" stars and a marshmallow roast. Each Plus Night has a unique theme, make sure to check out our website for theme details.

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY

Jan. 14 + Feb. 11 + March 25 + May 13
7-10 p.m. / All ages / Free

More info: 🌐 hrpo.lsu.edu

SOLAR VIEWING

HRPO staff shows the Sun via projection, filtered optical light and hydrogen-alpha. Patrons will see any sizable sunspots or flares.

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY

Jan. 21 + Feb. 18 + March 18 + May 20
noon-2 p.m. / All ages / Free

More info: 🌐 hrpo.lsu.edu

STEM EXPANSION

Advanced demonstrations and topic extensions for an older teen crowd. Archived experiments, some not seen in over fifteen years, are joined with timely, cutting-edge demos and concepts. Certificates will be earned by participants. Registration closes the Friday before each class.

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY

Jan. 21 + Feb. 18 + March 18 + April 22 + May 20
3:30-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 12-16

\$15 for EBR Parish residents
\$18 for out-of-parish residents

More info: 🌐 hrpo.lsu.edu

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

📍 Highland Road Park Observatory

NATURE

SAFARI NIGHTS

Monkeys chatter, birds call, and tigers roar as your Safari Guide leads your group on walking tours of different parts of the Zoo. You'll learn all about the Zoo's animals through hands-on activities and animal encounters during your overnight stay. All participants receive a Safari Night t-shirt and all-day Zoo admission immediately following your Safari Night. Dinner and continental breakfast included.

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

Every Friday + Saturday, year-round

6:30 p.m.-9:30 a.m. / Ages: 5+

\$35 per person (min. 15 people; max. 25 people)

\$150 non-refundable deposit is required to secure your date. The Zoo accepts Visa and MasterCard.

To register: 📞 225-775-3877, option 5

FIRST SATURDAYS AT FRENCHTOWN

Start your month off on the right foot by spending a little time in nature at Frenchtown Road Conservation Area. Activities will focus on connecting both nature lovers and nature novices alike with the inner workings of the largest conservation area in the BREC Conservation system. And just like the site, activities and topics will change monthly. Pre-registration is required and all children must be accompanied by an adult.

FRENCHTOWN ROAD CONSERVATION AREA

Jan. 7 + Feb. 4 + April 1 + May 6 / 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Ages: 6+ / \$5

More info: 📧 conservation@brec.org

📞 225-218-4979

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

SWAMP BIRD WALKS

Join us for extended morning hours on the first Saturday of every month to check out the feathered friends that call Bluebonnet Swamp home. Led by a member of the Baton Rouge Audubon Society, visitors enjoy a morning hike through the forest and swamp while identifying various bird species. Bird-watching techniques and identification tips are also discussed. Beginners are welcome. Field guides and binoculars optional but recommended. For more information on birding and the Bluebonnet Bird Monitoring Project, visit braudubon.org.

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

Jan. 7 + Feb. 4 + March 4 + April 1 / 7-9 a.m. / All ages
General Admission Fees Apply / Audubon Society Members Free

More Info: 📞 225-757-8905 📧 sguidry@brec.org

ZOO & ME MORNINGS

Held the second Tuesday of the month, Zoo staff designed this program for children, accompanied by a parent or guardian. Programs incorporate many exciting activities including a train ride, animal encounters, art projects and "zooper" snacks that adults and children can enjoy together. Space is limited and preregistration is required.

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

Jan. 10: Warm and Fuzzy

Feb. 14: Lovely Little Lizards

March 14: The Wearing of the Green

May 9: What's Bugging You?

9:30-11:30 a.m. / Ages: 3-5

\$18 per child with one guardian

\$30 for two children with one guardian

To register: 📞 225-775-3877, option 5

CONSERVATION WOODS WALK

Explore the natural places throughout the parish just beyond your backyard at BREC Conservation Areas with staff on a Conservation Woods Walk. Further off the beaten path, these walks are geared toward providing an interactive experience at Conservation areas and trails throughout the parish to make these special natural spaces more familiar. Open to both novices and experts alike, these walks are more primitive and more rigorous than your regular walk in the park. Preregistration is required and all children must be accompanied by an adult.

FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

Jan. 21 / 9:30-11:30 a.m.

KENDALWOOD ROAD PARK

March 18 / 9:30-11:30 a.m.

MANCHAC PARK

May 20 / 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Ages: 8+ / \$5

More info: 📧 conservation@brec.org

📞 225-218-4979

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

SWAMP FLASHLIGHT NIGHT

We welcome you to enjoy the Swamp at night by visiting us during our Swamp Flashlight Night! Staff will be facilitating live animal encounters throughout the event. Enjoy a self-guided leisurely night hike with your family and friends or join a guided hike for an additional fee; space is limited so registration in advance is preferred. The swamp trails can be really dark at night, so don't forget to bring a flashlight. If you don't have one, check out our gift shop for some options. Closed-toe shoes and insect repellent are recommended. Please note that admission to the trails ends at 8:15 p.m.

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

Feb. 10 / 5-9 p.m. / All ages

General Admission Fees Apply

Guided Hike \$5 (Ages 3+)

Registration required for Guided Hike

More Info: 📞 225-757-8905 📧 sguidry@brec.org

BIRDING AROUND BREC

Rise and shine and come spot the early birds that call your BREC parks home! Whether you're a novice or seasoned birder, Birding Around BREC can give you more of a bird's eye view of our fine feathered friends of East Baton Rouge Parish. Join BREC Conservation staff for a scenic walk and learn about the variety of resident and migratory birds that call BREC parks home, sharpen your binocular and bird ID skills, and practice tracking your sightings to start or build your life list while helping the local birding community.

COHN ARBORETUM

Feb. 15 / 8-9:30 a.m.

MILFORD WAMPOLD MEMORIAL PARK

March 22 / 8-9:30 a.m.

Ages: 7+

More info: 📧 conservation@brec.org

📞 225-218-4979

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

URBAN NATURE HIKE SERIES

Interested in exploring the nature oasis next door or looking to take your neighborhood walks to the next level? Our Urban Hike series is a great start! Geared toward nature novices of all ages, participants will enjoy a leisurely walk through a BREC park while learning some fun facts about the park's natural areas and the fundamentals of adventuring in the great outdoors. Preregistration is requested for all attendees and all children must be accompanied by an adult.

ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK

April 25 / 5:45-7:15 p.m.

CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK

May 9 / 5:45-7:15 p.m.

Ages: 6+

More info: 📧 conservation@brec.org

📞 225-218-4979

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

SWAMP SCHOOL

Picking up where Trail Time for Toddlers leaves off, Swamp School continues nature-based education for kids ages 6-10. With more of a focus on science content, we will explore the outdoors, do arts and crafts, meet interesting animals and have healthy snacks. This is a perfect opportunity for homeschool parents to supplement their science education curricula in a natural setting. The program is held four times a month and themes change each class. Registration for each month begins on the 1st of the month prior.

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

Session 1: Feb. 28-March 21

Session 2: March 28-April 25

Tuesday / 2-4 p.m.

Ages: 6-10 (with accompanying adult)

\$40 per session (4 classes) per child for EBR Parish residents

\$48 per session (4 classes) per child for out-of-parish residents

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

📍 Bluebonnet Swamp Nature Center

More Info: 📞 225-757-8905 📧 sguidry@brec.org

TRAIL TIME FOR TODDLERS

Trail Time for Toddlers is a unique opportunity for children, ages 2-5, and their parents/guardians to make new friends while learning about nature through trail walks and themed indoor and outdoor activities. Come enjoy the sights and sounds of the swamp, arts and crafts, storytelling, animal encounters, and healthy snacks. Themes change from week to week, and none are repeated within a calendar year. Participants sign up for a month at a time (4 weekly classes) and can choose to attend the Wednesday or Thursday session. NEW this year - each month will also feature a special Saturday class for participants who are unable to attend one of our weekday sessions. Registration for each month begins on the 1st of the month prior.

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

Session 1: March 1-23

Session 2: March 29-April 27

Wednesday or Thursday / 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Ages: 2-5 (with accompanying adult)

\$40 per session (4 classes) per child for EBR Parish residents

\$48 per session (4 classes) per child for out-of-parish residents

Saturday / March 4 + April 1

\$10 per class for in-parish residents

\$12 per class for out-of-parish residents

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

📍 Bluebonnet Swamp Nature Center

More Info: 📞 225-757-8905 📧 sguidry@brec.org

REVIVE YOUR MIND NATURE HIKE

Forest bathing, Nature Rx, Ecotherapy...it's been called many things but the message is the same, NATURE is good for you! If life has you spinning and you feel out of balance this is the hike for you. We will be using time in nature to slow down and take a breakthrough mindful, purposeful observation. We will be hiking off the beaten path at one of BREC's Conservation Areas using the outdoors as a window to relaxation and a free mind. Join us to get a well-deserved dose of nature at its finest. This program is geared towards adults, but people 13 and older are welcome to attend with their parent.

FRENCHTOWN ROAD CONSERVATION AREA

March 4 / 9:30-11:30 a.m. / Ages: 13+ / \$10

More info: conservation@brec.org; 225-218-4979

To register: webtrac.brec.org (WebTrac Number 520210)

DOG DAY AT THE SWAMP

With our Dog Days, BSNC drops its "No Pets" policy and opens its doors and trails to pets 4 days out of the year! All pets are welcome, but they must be on a leash and have their vaccinations current. New for 2023, look for local rescue and "Pet Friendly" organizations to be onsite and join us in making a toy or craft for your furry family friend!

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

March 18 / 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

General Admission Fees Apply

More Info: [225-757-8905](tel:225-757-8905) sguidry@brec.org

START OF SUMMER NIGHT HIKE AND CAMPFIRE

Join us on a Friday night for a great way to say hello to summer! The program will include a night hike to learn about local ecology and nocturnal animals and will include activities and games. And no Night Hike would be complete without some time around the campfire and a S'more! Come enjoy this great way to get the family out after the daytime heat. Preregistration is required and spaces are limited. Children must be registered and accompanied by a registered adult.

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY TRAIL

April 28 / 7-9 p.m.

ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK

May 12 / 7-9 p.m.

Ages: 6+ / \$5

More info: conservation@brec.org

[225-218-4979](tel:225-218-4979)

To register: webtrac.brec.org



FACILITY INFO



 BREC.ORG



FITNESS CENTERS

BREC fitness centers offer affordable and convenient workout options for the community, including gym services, aerobics classes and senior citizen programs. BREC also offers fitness and wellness classes to people throughout the parish in recreational center programming. Fitness membership passes starting as low as \$15 per month.

Locations:

**ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK
FITNESS CENTER**
1750 Stilt St. / 225-775-1707

MILTON J. WOMACK FITNESS CENTER
6201 Florida Blvd. / 225-388-3004

**NORTH SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY PARK
FITNESS CENTER**
3140 North Sherwood Forest Dr. / 225-275-0568

SANTA MARIA GOLF COURSE FITNESS CENTER
18460 Santa Maria Ave. / 225-753-9372

More info:  brec.org/fitness

RECREATION FACILITIES

BREC's recreation centers are available for rent for recreational activities, birthday parties, meetings, family reunions and more! For more information on hours of operation, events, programs, or rentals - call the facility of your choice or visit brec.org/recreationcenters.

If you need information outside operational hours, please call BREC's Recreation Office for between the hours of 8 a.m.-5 p.m., 225-272-9200 EXT 1413.

Pardon Our Progress

In an effort to make your parks even better than imagined, the highlighted recreation centers are temporarily closed for renovations. Thank you for your patience!

RECREATION CENTERS

ALASKA STREET PARK
3014 Alaska St., 70802 / 225-346-1311

ALSEN PARK
601 Old Rafe Meyer Road, 70807 / 225-774-8078

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK
1750 Stilt St., 70807 / 225-775-1707

ANTIOCH BOULEVARD PARK
6229 Antioch Blvd., 70817 / 225-752-8316

BAKER RECREATION CENTER
1420 Alabama St., 70714 / 225-778-0779

BARINGER ART CENTER
7401 Baringer Road / 225-751-3733

BELFAIR PARK
4390 Fairfields Ave., 70802 / 225-355-7091

BEN BURGE PARK
9350 Antigua Dr., 70810 / 225-766-8616

CADILLAC STREET PARK
6000 Cadillac St., 70811 / 225-355-3505

CEDAR RIDGE PARK
13300 Cedar Ridge Dr., 70817 / 225-751-2563

CHURCH STREET PARK
3210 Church St., 70791 / 225-654-9861

CITY-BROOKS AT MCKINLEY MIDDLE
1550 Eddie Robinson Sr. Dr., 70808 / 225-387-1482

DRUSILLA LANE PARK
2546 Drusilla Lane, 7080 / 225-927-6882

EXPRESSWAY PARK
935 South 11th St., 70802 / 225-343-7110

EXXONMOBIL / YMCA AT HOWELL PLACE GYM
7717 Howell Blvd., 70807 / 225-357-4779

FLANACHER ROAD PARK
864 Flanacher Road, 70791 / 225-654-2617

FLANNERY ROAD PARK
801 Flannery Road, 70815 / 225-272-4615

FOREST COMMUNITY PARK
13900 S. Harrell's Ferry Road, 70816 / 225-275-9819

GUS YOUNG AVENUE PARK
4200 Gus Young Ave., 70802 / 225-926-5848

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK
13350 Hwy 19, 70714 / 225-620-0500

HAMILTON PARK
16200 Hamilton Ave., 70819 / 225-272-1917

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK
14024 Highland Road, 70810 / 225-767-4003

HOWELL COMMUNITY PARK
5509 Winbourne Ave., 70805 / 225-357-5374
CLOSED TEMPORARILY FOR RENOVATIONS

HOOPER ROAD PARK
6261 Guynell Road, 70811 / 225-357-7903

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK
7500 Independence Blvd., 70806 / 225-928-7860

JACKSON COMMUNITY PARK
12250 Sullivan Road, 70818 / 225-261-2161

JEFFERSON HIGHWAY PARK
8133 Jefferson Hwy., 70809 / 225-926-9834

KATHY DRIVE PARK
1801 Kathy Dr., 70816 / 225-275-9819

KERNAN AVENUE PARK
333 Kernan Ave., 70806 / 225-381-0067

KERR WARREN PARK
4100 Geronimo St., 70805 / 225-356-5118

LONGFELLOW PARK
5201 Longfellow Dr., 70805 / 225-357-2760

LOVETT ROAD PARK
13443 Lovett Road, 70818 / 225-261-2161

MAPLEWOOD PARK
8200 Maplewood Ave., 70812 / 225-357-7357
CLOSED TEMPORARILY FOR RENOVATIONS

MAYFAIR PARK
655 S. Sabine Dr., 70810 / 225-767-0710

MILLS AVENUE PARK
424 Woodpecker St., 70807 / 225-778-1288

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK
6201 Florida Blvd., 70806 / 225-388-3004

MONTE SANO PARK
2727 Greenwell St., 70805 / 225-357-9989

NORTH 14TH STREET PARK
1400 North 14th St., 70802 / 225-343-0228

NORTH SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY PARK
3140 N. Sherwood Forest Dr., 70814 / 225-275-0568

NORTH STREET PARK
4100 North St., 70806 / 225-383-0563

PALOMINO DRIVE PARK
14100 Palomino Dr., 70739 / 225-262-2396

PARKLAWN ADULT LEISURE CENTER
12248 Parklawn Ave., 70816 / 225-751-0823

PERKINS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK
7122 Perkins Road, 70808 / 225-766-5209

PLANK ROAD PARK
19550 Plank Road, 70791 / 225-654-8401

REAMES ROAD PARK
23223 Reames Road, 70791 / 225-654-8190

RED OAKS PARK
2100 Greenoaks Dr., 70815 / 225-275-7320

SAIA PARK
855 N. Donmoor Ave., 70806 / 225-927-5092

SHARP ROAD ADULT LEISURE CENTER
500 Sharp Road, 70814 / 225-273-3924

SPORTS ACADEMY
1002 Laurel St., 70802 / 225-344-9688

T.D. BICKHAM PARK
6850 Pettit Road, 70714 / 225-774-9513

TOM "PETE" PURVIS AT NAIRN DRIVE PARK
2900 Valley St., 70808 / 225-923-2720

WEBB PARK ADULT LEISURE CENTER
1351 Country Club Road, 70814 / 225-379-8510

ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK
2005 Old Scenic Hwy., 70791 / 225-654-4261

INTERACTIVE GAME ROOMS

Available for birthday parties, group rentals and health and wellness programs.

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK
More information or to rent: 📞 225-775-1707

NORTH SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY PARK
More information or to rent: 📞 225-275-0568

AQUATICS

 brec.org/aquatics  225-923-3202

LIBERTY LAGOON

 111 LOBDELL AVE  225-923-3202

 LIBERTYLAGOON.COM 

Dates of Operation:

Will be updated at the beginning of the 2023 season

Admissions:

Under 1 Year Old: Free

General Admission: \$12

Active Military + First Responders (with ID):
receive \$2 discount when purchased at ticket window

Public Lockers: available on-site (rental fee)

Season Passes:

Limited Session Pass: \$59.99+tax

Valid for the 2022 Operational Season: Monday-Thursday


Extreme Season Pass: \$100+tax

Valid for the 2022 Operational Season + Bonus over
48" receives Shockwave wristband every visit

Rentals + Party Packages

Liberty Lagoon is the perfect place to celebrate a birthday under one of our spacious pavilions. You can also rent one to ensure that you and your family have a special place to enjoy the park.

Reservations begin April 11

 Liberty Lagoon Ticket Office
Monday-Friday / 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Liberty Bell Pavilion - up to 36 guests

Patriot Pavilion - up to 36 guests

Colonial Pavilion - up to 36 guests

Presidential Pavilion - up to 75 guests

Independence Pavilion - up to 75 guests

Freedom Deck - up to 50 guests

For information about **Exclusive Water Park Rentals** (access to the water park for three hours with up to 900 guests), **Private Summer Camp Reservations**, or any additional information about the facility, please visit libertylagoon.com.

COMMUNITY POOLS

Pool hours are subject to change based on operations and/or inclement weather. There is no cost for entry to these facilities.

Dates of Operation:

Will be updated at the beginning of the 2023 season

CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK POOL

1650 Eddie Robinson, Sr. Drive

HOWELL COMMUNITY PARK POOL (CLOSED for 2023)

5509 Winbourne Avenue

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK POOL

1750 Stilt Street

SPLASH PADS

Cool off from the heat at one of BREC's splash pads. The BREC splash pads are interactive water play areas with no standing water. Anyone can activate the water spray features by simply pushing the activator button located within the splash pad. This will engage the water system which will run for approximately 12 minutes. Pushing the button will activate the system again.

Dates & Times of Operation:

March 18-October 15, daily from 8 a.m.-8 p.m.

Locations:

CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK

1650 Eddie Robinson Sr. Dr.

FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

13900 South Harrell's Ferry Road

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK

13350 Hwy. 19

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

14024 Highland Road

JACKSON COMMUNITY PARK

12250 Sullivan Road

NORTH SHERWOOD COMMUNITY PARK

3140 North Sherwood Forest Dr.

ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK

20055 Old Scenic Hwy.

BATON ROUGE ZOO

BREC's Baton Rouge Zoo is a place where people connect with animals. We are committed to providing excellence in animal care and welfare, education, recreation, conservation and research that collectively inspire respect for nature.

 3601 THOMAS ROAD  225-775-3877

 BRZOO.ORG



BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

BREC's Bluebonnet Swamp Nature Center is a 103-acre facility dedicated to connecting people with nature through conservation, education, recreation and tourism. More than one mile of gravel paths and boardwalks link varied habitats where visitors might see a variety of wildflowers, insects, birds, small animals, amphibians and reptiles. Programs are offered throughout the year including school field trips, holiday and summer camps, toddler time, birding sessions, special events, facility rentals and more. Admission fees apply.

Hours of Operation :

Tuesday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday, noon-5 p.m.

 10503 N. OAK HILLS PKWY  225-757-8905

 BREC.ORG/SWAMP



BREC ON THE GEAX MOBILE RECREATION

BREC on the Geaux is a traveling recreation program designed to provide recreational activities in East Baton Rouge Parish's underserved communities. The program operates year-round from two colorful, 14 foot box trucks loaded with a variety of physically active game equipment for all ages and ability levels.

BREC on the Geaux is available for school recess, after school programs, camps, health related community events. However, priority is given to events held in underserved communities. The mobile units may also be reserved for events held at BREC facilities or approved public locations.

For more information about BREC on the Geaux services or to download a reservation form:

 BREC.ORG/BRECONTHEGEAX

 225-272-9200

COHN ARBORETUM

This beautifully landscaped, heavily wooded land is used for the preservation and study of native plants and flora from other areas. BREC's Cohn Arboretum is free and open to the public and features more than 300 species of native and adaptable trees and shrubs, a fruit orchard, butterfly garden and bamboo collection. Amenities include pamphlets, paved walkways, self-guided and guided tours. A one-mile paved trail circles the lake and another lake skirts a wooded area. Both are wheelchair accessible.

 12206 FOSTER ROAD  225-620-0550

 BREC.ORG/COHN

CONSERVATION AREAS

BREC's Conservation Department is dedicated to complete its mission through the Natural Resource Management Plan in order to better the lives of East Baton Rouge Parish residents. The goals of BREC's Conservation Department are to promote recreation and education activities focusing on appreciation and understanding of the natural environment; protect unique and historically representative habitats within East Baton Rouge Parish; and to reduce the loss of species.

 BREC.ORG/CONSERVATION 

Hours of Operation :

Open sunrise to sunset unless otherwise noted.

Locations :

BLACKWATER CONSERVATION AREA (62 acres)
9385 Blackwater Road, 70814

FRENCHTOWN CONSERVATION AREA (496 acres)
17819 Frenchtown Road, Central, 70739

DOYLE'S BAYOU PARK (97 acres)
7801 Port Hudson-Pride Road, Zachary, 70791

SANDY CREEK COMMUNITY PARK (386 acres)
Carson Road, Pride, 70770

HOOPER ROAD PARK (150 acres)
6261 Hooper Road, 70811

KENDALWOOD RD. PARK (85 acres)
26501 Kendalwood Rd., 70817

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER (103 acres)
10503 N. Oak Hills Parkway, 70810

Hours of Operation :

Tuesday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday, noon-5 p.m.

DOG PARKS

BREC's Dog Parks provide a safe and open, off-leash public green space designated and properly secured for dogs to run free with other dogs and owners. The dog parks also provide a venue for dog-related organizations to host special events and training classes.

BURBANK DOG PARK AT BURBANK SPORTS COMPLEX
12400 Burbank Dr.

RAISING CANE'S DOG PARK AT CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK
1442 City Park Ave.

RAISING CANE'S DOG PARK AT FOREST COMMUNITY PARK
13900 Harrell's Ferry Road

RAISING CANE'S DOG PARK AT GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK
13350 Hwy. 19, Baker

RAISING CANE'S DOG PARK AT LOVETT ROAD PARK
13443 Lovett Road, Central

RAISING CANE'S DOG PARK AT ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK
20055 Hwy. 964, Zachary

📞 225-218-0918 🌐 [BREC.ORG/DOGPARKS](https://www.brec.org/dogparks) 📍

EXTREME SPORTS

BREC's Extreme Sports section provides diverse experiences designed to thrill related to skating, biking, scooting, climbing, and more.

EXTREME SPORTS PARK - 7122 Perkins Road
Headquartered at Perkins Road Community Park, the Extreme Sports Park features a 30,000 square foot concrete skate park, a BMX track, a velodrome, and skating and biking trails. Skate park components are also featured at Old Hammond Highway Park and Zachary Community Park. BREC's BMX Raceway at Perkins Extreme Park hosts birthday parties, and routine clinics are offered for many extreme sport genres.

📞 225-766-9039 🌐 [BREC.ORG/EXTREMESPORTS](https://www.brec.org/extremesports) 📍

DISC GOLF COURSES

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK DISC GOLF COURSE (18 HOLES)
14024 Highland Road 📞 225-766-0247

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK DISC GOLF COURSE (18 HOLES)

CLOSED TEMPORARILY FOR RENOVATIONS
13350 Hwy. 19, Baker, LA 📞 225-775-9166

FLANACHER PARK DISC GOLF COURSE (21 HOLES)
864 Flanacher Road, Zachary, LA 📞 225-654-2617

LOUISIANA HEALTH CONNECTIONS DISC GOLF PARK AT SCOTLANDVILLE PARKWAY
I-110 Scotlandville Pkwy.

FARR PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER

BREC's Farr Park Equestrian Center and RV Campground is one of the area's largest and most versatile centers for horse enthusiasts. It features lighted indoor and outdoor arenas, 162 stalls, a cross-country eventing course, horse trails and a RV campground. The equestrian facilities are available on an hourly or daily basis.

📍 6402 RIVER ROAD 📞 225-769-7805

🌐 [BREC.ORG/FARR](https://www.brec.org/farr) 📍

GOLF COURSES

BREC offers a course for every golfer. BREC's golf courses are open to the public seven days a week. Golfers may reserve tee times seven days a week at all courses. Every course offers golf carts, pull carts, rental clubs and an assortment of golf shop merchandise.

🌐 [golf.brec.org](https://www.golf.brec.org) 📍

CHAMPIONSHIP COURSES

BEAVER CREEK

Championship style 18-hole course with quality turf conditions, Creekside Grill, lighted driving range, short game area and practice putting green. Green fees range from \$17 to \$38.

1100 Plains-Port Hudson Road, Zachary

📞 225-658-6338

SANTA MARIA

Championship style 18-hole Robert Trent Jones layout, driving range, Champions Grill, short game practice area and practice putting green. Green fees range from \$17 to \$38.

18460 Santa Maria Pkwy., Baton Rouge

📞 225-752-9667

18-HOLE COURSES

WEBB MEMORIAL

Webb features an 18-hole course and practice putting green. This walkable course is one of the most popular courses in town. Large oak trees line the fairways of this centrally located golf course that is ideally situated off of College Drive. Green fees range from \$10 to \$18 with senior rates available every day.

1351 Country Club Dr., Baton Rouge

📞 225-383-4919

9-HOLE COURSES

HISTORIC CITY PARK

Historic City Park Golf Course is a nine-hole Tom Bendalov design with rolling terrain and practice putting green. This course is notable for its natural beauty, mature trees, lake vistas, small bayou and elevated terrain that varies by as much as 25 feet. Green fees range from \$7 to \$12 with senior rates available every day.

1442 City Park Ave., Baton Rouge

📞 225-387-9523

J.S. CLARK + THE FIRST TEE

OF EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH

CLOSED TEMPORARILY FOR RENOVATIONS

2301 Thomas Road, Baton Rouge

📞 225-775-9008 🌐 golf.bre.org

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY

The Highland Road Park Observatory, brought to the public by BREC, Louisiana State University's Department of Physics and Astronomy and the Baton Rouge Astronomical Society, is located on the south side of BREC's Highland Road Community Park. The Observatory houses state-of-the-art 16-inch and 20-inch reflecting telescopes and is the site of dozens of asteroid discoveries.

📍 13800 HIGHLAND ROAD 📞 225-768-9948 📺

🌐 HRPO.LSU.EDU 📧 OBSERVATORY@BREC.ORG

INDEPENDENCE PARK THEATRE + CULTURAL CENTER

Independence Park Theatre and Cultural Center sits nestled next to the beautiful Botanical Garden located inside BREC's Independence Community Park. With a seating capacity of 750 seats, this beautiful state-of-the-art theatre is available to rent for events throughout the year and offers meeting rooms that can accommodate 75 people. Independence Park Theatre and Cultural Center also features the Louisiana Artists Guild Gallery.

📍 7800 INDEPENDENCE BLVD 📞 225-216-0660

🌐 THEPARKTHEATRE.COM 📺

MAGNOLIA MOUND

Through educational programs, workshops, lectures, festivals and other special events, Magnolia Mound's mission is to illustrate and interpret the lifestyle of the French Creoles who formed the fascinating culture that still influences life in southern Louisiana. Central to this education mission, BREC's Magnolia Mound strives to tell an inclusive story of those that lived and worked on the property during its 110 history as a working sugar plantation. Of the 900 acres in the original Spanish land grant, BREC now owns about 16 acres of lovely grounds featuring champion live oak and magnolia trees. The property includes four buildings individually listed on the National Register of Historic Places including: a circa 1791 historic house, privy, kitchen, manager's cottage, slave quarters, and pigeonier.

📍 2161 NICHOLSON DRIVE 📞 225-343-4955

🌐 BREC.ORG/MAGNOLIAMOUND 📺

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

The BREC Outdoor Adventure department is dedicated to promoting an active, outdoor lifestyle to all citizens of EBR Parish by providing recreational opportunities that revolve around the outdoors. These programs include activities such as, kayaking, canoeing, climbing, biking, fishing, camping and land navigation. BREC's Outdoor Adventure programs introduce and instruct patrons in outdoor sports and helps them advance through progressive skill levels. These specialized programs also promote environmental awareness and ethical practices when in outdoor and nature-based activities. BREC's Outdoor Adventure team is committed to providing opportunities for adventure here in EBR Parish and beyond.

MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAILS

BREC maintains two mountain bike trails, open daily from sunrise to sunset. Riders must wear helmets at all times.

HOOPER MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAIL

6261 Guynell Dr. (in the Sharon Hills subdivision)

COMITE RIVER / KERRY STAMEY

MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAIL

8900 Hooper Road

JEAN LAFITTE AIR GUN RANGE

The Jean Lafitte Air Gun Range houses two field courses and a covered site-in range.

BREC AIRLINE HWY. PARK

17200 Airline Highway

TENNIS CENTERS

BREC's Tennis Department manages five major tennis centers, each housing its own pro shop that offers tennis resale merchandise, equipment rentals, refreshments and a staff that manages court reservations and fees. The tennis centers provide various programs to the community, including tennis instruction, school athletic programs, youth and adult league play and tournaments. Facilities are available for rental to organizations for tournaments, workshops and high school league practice. There are also 72 neighborhood tennis courts located at recreation centers throughout East Baton Rouge Parish where patrons can play tennis at no charge.

 BREC.ORG/TENNIS 

Hours of Operation:

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK + INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK + CAPITAL ONE TENNIS CENTER AT CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK + FOREST COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTERS

Monday-Thursday / 8 a.m.-10 p.m.

Friday-Sunday / 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Monday + Wednesday / 8 a.m.-noon + 5-9 p.m.

Tuesday + Thursday / 5-9 p.m.

Friday + Saturday / 8 a.m.-noon

Sunday / 1-5 p.m. (Jan. 1-March 12) + 5-9 p.m.

(March 13-April 30)

Court Fees:

\$5 per hour before 6 p.m. / \$8 per hour after 6 p.m.

\$12 per hour for indoor courts at Independence


Community Park Tennis Courts

Locations:

CAPITAL ONE TENNIS CENTER AT

CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK

Features 7 courts with one hitting wall.

1515 Dalrymple Dr.  225-343-3767

FOREST COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Features 11 courts with one hitting wall.

13900 S. Harrell's Ferry Road  225-756-3312

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Features 2 courts.

13350 Hwy. 19, Baker  225-778-4040

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Features 17 courts with one hitting wall, one permanent 60' youth court and six permanent 36' youth courts.

14024 Highland Road  225-766-0247

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Features 11 outdoor courts, two indoor courts and a separate hitting wall court.

7505 Independence Blvd.  225-923-2792

PICKLEBALL COURTS

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Features 12 pickleball courts.

Fees: \$2 per person

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK YOUTH COURTS

Features 6 pickleball courts.

Reservations:  225-766-0247

Fees: \$2.50 per hour per court

INDOOR COURTS

Fee: \$7 per month or \$70 per year per person

ANTIOCH BOULEVARD PARK + ANNA T. JORDAN

COMMUNITY PARK + BAKER RECREATION CENTER

+ CEDAR RIDGE PARK + FOREST COMMUNITY

PARK + HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK +

LOVETT ROAD PARK + PLANK ROAD PARK

NEIGHBORHOOD TENNIS COURTS WITH PICKLEBALL LINES

Free of charge. No reservations needed. First come, first served.

ANTIOCH BOULEVARD PARK + BARINGER ROAD

PARK + GOODWOOD PARK + JEFFERSON TERRACE

PARK + LOVETT ROAD PARK + MANCHAC PARK +

SANTA MARIA PARK + SHARP ROAD PARK

OUR PARTNERS

BATON ROOTS COMMUNITY FARM THE WALLS PROJECT

Baton Roots Community Farm is located in BREC's Howell Community Park, in the middle of a food desert, through a partnership with the Walls Project and the Mayor's HealthyBR Initiative. The farm blends access to fresh food, skill-development, socialization and art into one location. Baton Roots Community Farm brings an opportunity for the East Baton Rouge Parish community to learn best practices in sustainable agriculture on an urban farm.

BATON ROUGE GALLERY, A BREC FACILITY

Baton Rouge Gallery – center for contemporary art (BRG) facility, is housed in BREC's historic City-Brooks Community Park. The non-profit art gallery hosts new monthly contemporary exhibits featuring professional artists with an opening reception on the first Wednesday of each month. BRG also offers a wealth of cultural programming that brings visitors face-to-face with contemporary art across disciplines including film, poetry, dance and more.

BATON ROUGE SOCCER CLUB

Through a successful cooperative endeavor agreement, BREC and Baton Rouge Soccer Club have been able to offer quality soccer facilities and programming to the Greater Baton Rouge Area. BRSC has developed and implemented high quality recreational programs for youth of all ages, premier soccer for the player who seeks high-level competition, assessable soccer for people with disabilities, and adult leagues for men and women from age 19 to senior citizen. BREC has developed, built, and maintained first class dedicated soccer facilities at the 22 field Burbank Soccer Complex, and the seven field Independence Park Complex. With over 6,500 members, BRSC and BREC have been the recognized leaders in the expansion of soccer as the fastest growing team sport in the Baton Rouge community.

BOYS + GIRLS CLUB

BREC's Alaska Street Park is home to a Boys and Girls Club after-school program that promotes academic success, character and leadership, and healthy living in youth ages 7-18.

CENTRAL AREA YOUTH LEAGUE

Through a cooperative endeavor agreement, BREC and Central Area Youth League (CAYL) offer quality baseball and soccer facilities and programming to the Central Area at BREC's Central Sportsplex.

FIRST TEE

The First Tee uses the game of golf to teach youth life lessons and leadership skills. Sessions include a fun, group setting for youth ages 7 to 18 regardless of background or previous experience. Teaming up with experts in positive youth development, The First Tee helps youth become good golfers and even better people.

FRONT YARD BIKES

BREC's Terrace Street Park is home to Front Yard Bikes, an amazing organization that offers safe, free after-school programs that teach and develop hands-on skills in math, physics, mechanics, and much more while also promoting inclusivity, mentorship, recreation and academic achievement. Front Yard Bikes' programs are motivated by compassion for kids from low-income families that are willing to work for what they get.

GARDERE INITIATIVE

The Gardere Initiative, located adjacent to BREC's Hartley-Vey Gardere Park, provides children and families throughout the Gardere Community with fundamental services and resources that are otherwise unavailable to them through spiritual intervention, local partnerships, and selfless volunteering. The Gardere Initiatives works closely with BREC to hosts different events and activities within BREC's Hartley-Vey Gardere Park for residents of the Gardere Community. BREC also provides free internet services for participants enrolled in Gardere Initiative programs and activities.

KNOCK KNOCK CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

Knock Knock Children's Museum, located in City-Brooks Community Park, opens doors to the exciting world of early learning, discovery and hands on exploration through specific activities woven through 18 unique Learning Zones. Designed for children age 0 to 8, the museums Learning Zones create "teachable moments" that connect children's every day experiences to learning.

TEAM SPORTSPLEX

Team Automotive Group, the Baton Rouge Basketball and Volleyball Association (BBRVA) and BREC partnered to build a 30,000 square-foot recreational complex in the heart of Perkins Road Community Park. It is the largest indoor basketball facility in Baton Rouge and the largest indoor volleyball facility in Louisiana. It is also used for BREC summer camps, cheerleading competitions and recreation activities for seniors

RENTAL INFORMATION



 [BREC.ORG/RENTALS](https://www.brec.org/rentals)

DO YOU NEED TO RENT A REALLY BIG PLACE?

The fairgrounds at BREC's Airline Highway Park can accommodate an event of up to 10,000 people. BREC's two outdoor stadiums are also available for civic or sporting events. Memorial Stadium, located at 1750 Foss St., has a seating capacity of 21,395. Olympia Stadium, located at BREC's Perkins Road Park at 7122 Perkins Road, has a seating capacity of 6,000. For scheduling fees and information, call 225-273-6400.

NEED TO FIND THE PERFECT PARTY SPACE?

You can also plan a party at one of BREC's special facilities. The BMX Raceway, Independence Park Theatre, Farr Park Equestrian Center, Bluebonnet Swamp Nature Center, Liberty Lagoon Family Aquatics Center and BREC's Baton Rouge Zoo all have rental space available for your event.

BREC also has recreation centers located across the parish and are available to rent for recreational activities, birthday parties, meetings, family reunions and more! Call 225-273-6400 or your neighborhood recreation center for reservation guidelines.

Independence Café and Training/Banquet Center holds up to 60 attendees and has been used for wedding receptions, meetings and trainings.

LOOKING FOR THE PERFECT PLACE TO HOST A WEDDING, SHOWER OR LARGE, FORMAL EVENT?

Enjoy the historical elegance of the Hart House or historical barn, La Grange, at Magnolia Mound, 2161 Nicholson Dr.; the modern convenience of the Baton Rouge Garden Center, 7950 Independence Blvd.; the rustic outdoor setting of Bluebonnet Swamp Nature Center, 10503 N. Oak Hills Parkway; the club-like surroundings of the Jefferson Hwy. Center, 8133 Jefferson Hwy.; Greenwood Community Park's waterfront amphitheater and meeting room with stage, 13350 Hwy 19 in Baker, LA; or the wild uniqueness of the Capital One Pavilion at BREC's Baton Rouge Zoo, 3601 Thomas Road. Food and beverage services as well as kitchen facilities are available.

PAVILION RENTALS

All BREC parks are still first-come, first-serve for picnic pavilion usage. Since BREC park sites are in high demand, park users can now rent a pavilion. Renting a picnic pavilion allows the patron(s) to secure space when preparing a party, family reunion or association gathering at the park. If you rent a pavilion, then there is no reason to go to the park to “hold” your tables and pavilion ahead of time. The site will be clean and ready upon your arrival.

The following parks have pavilions (2 or more tables) available to rent.

- ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK
- FOREST COMMUNITY PARK
- GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK
- HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK
- HOWELL COMMUNITY PARK
- INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK
- JACKSON COMMUNITY PARK
- JEFFERSON TERRACE PARK
- NORTH SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY PARK
- PERKINS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK
- ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK

Each pavilion rental includes one auxiliary permit for use of dry inflatable, canopy/tent, or cooking apparatus. Auxiliary item and pavilions rental restrictions will be discussed at time of rental. If you are not renting a pavilion or want to add an additional auxiliary item, it is a \$10 non-refundable fee. Pavilion rentals may be requested on-site for small groups.

- Inflatable Rental Company must have BREC listed as co-insured with \$1 million liability coverage; a copy of the insurance policy must be included with the application.
- All Reservation must be done 14 days in advance
- \$100 separate refundable damage deposit check is required for all pavilion rentals.

Groups of 30 to 500 must have a pavilion rental agreement or apply for a special event permit. Large groups coming to enjoy one of our BREC parks must request permission 30 days in prior to the requested date. A non-refundable application fee of \$10 will apply for special event permit. Price and requirements for an approved special event is quoted within 15 days after submitting the application.

Groups of 500+ in size shall be limited to the following locations:

BREC’s Airline Hwy Fairgrounds, Zachary Community Park or Highland Road Community Park (Grand Pavilion and Great Lawn) unless prior permission is granted to hold the event. Renter must come into the main office on Florida Blvd. to reserve these facilities.

Park rules will be enforced by the local Police Department, East Baton Rouge Sheriff’s Department & BREC Park Rangers.

More info: ☎ 225-272-9200 (Mon.-Fri. / 8 a.m.-5 p.m.)
🌐 brec.org/pavilions

Please see brec.org/specialevents for policies, as they are different and require a minimum of 30 days in advance for approval.

An additional 20% is charged to Out-of-Parish residents.





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