

Summer 2023



PlayBook



CAMPS + EVENTS +
PROGRAMS + CLASSES





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.

20,000 copies of BREC's 2023 Summer Play Book were printed and distributed with the authority of the Recreation and Park Commission for the Parish of East Baton Rouge at a cost of \$0.64 per copy.

A WORD FROM BREC



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LETTER FROM SUPERINTENDENT COREY WILSON



Dear BREC families,

The BREC team is hard at work putting the finishing touches on plans to make the summer of 2023 one to remember. From our award-winning summer camps to free swimming lessons, paddling programs, woods walks and nature hikes, athletics clinics and even movies at Liberty Lagoon Water Park, something fun will happen in BREC parks every day.

Camp BREC registration is set for March 4, so mark your calendars now as many sessions fill up within the first few hours. This guide will help you build the perfect summer for your camper with camps offered in every part of the parish for easy drop-off and pick-up as well as a new bus stop option. We offer camps designed for nearly every interest such as animals, outdoor exploration, science, sports, theatre, art, history, astronomy and much more. As always, BREC is offering a robust scholarship program to make certain every child can have a safe, structured summer experience regardless of income or ability. We also have camps for teens and programs to train our next generation of summer counselors.

This guide also includes the schedule for Liberty Lagoon Water Park, BREC's splash pads and swimming pools. Programs and events include swimming lessons, special days that allow local first responders, seniors and children and adults with special needs to enjoy exclusive time in the water park. You'll also find a brand-new movie series which will offer extended evening hours in the water park and of course, the popular season-ending Pool Pawty for dog owners and their furry friends.

This is a pivotal year for BREC as many transformational construction projects are making substantial progress. You will be invited to celebrate new exhibits at the Zoo, a

transformed J.S. Clark Golf Course, a new, elevated recreation center and swimming pool at Howell Community Park, a new boat launch at Manchac Park and much more. Designs and construction will also begin as Airline Highway is turned into BREC's 13th Community Park, Bluebonnet Swamp and Perkins Road Community Parks receive new master plans through community input, construction on a trail to connect Scotlandville Parkway to Downtown will begin, the Lakes project will continue, and safe rooms to house first responders and double as state-of-the-art recreation centers will be built in the Memorial Stadium complex and Airline Community Park. These are just a few of the large-scale projects underway or in planning and as always, you can learn more by going to brec.org.

We invite you to work with us this year as BREC begins the lengthy process to create a new Imagine Your Parks strategic plan. Please keep an eye out for announcements as we hold public meetings and commission surveys across the parish to learn what you want to see next in your park system as we continue to work with you to create a modern park system that not only helps make our community healthier, but improves the environment, provides flood protection, offers safe spaces for bicyclists, runners and walkers, attracts visitors and makes our community a better place to live, work and play.

It is important that we also look back and recognize the progress that has been made since the first Imagine Your Parks plan was approved by the community in 2004, so look for a new web page that will show you how, together, we turned an aging park system into a gold medal champion in 18-years.

Thank you for making our parks shine brighter,

Corey K. Wilson, BREC Superintendent

SUMMER CAMP 2023!



BREC is proud to offer a variety of camps and activities to help keep your child engaged in a safe, fun way with timeless camp fun and exciting new adventures.

Registration begins online **March 4!**

 brec.org/summercamp

GENERAL SUMMER CAMP INFORMATION

REGISTRATION

Summer camp registration begins online Saturday, March 4 at 9 a.m. for all East Baton Rouge Parish residents. Out-of-parish residents may begin registering online or during regular facility hours of operation starting Tuesday, March 14.

You can register for all camp locations through WebTrac, BREC's online registration system, from your computer, tablet, or smartphone at webtrac.brec.org.

TIPS FOR A SUCCESSFUL ONLINE REGISTRATION

- All camp sessions are listed by location. Have your camp location chosen ahead of time so you only have to simply search by location or Camp Activity # which can be found by visiting brec.org/summercamp.
- Login to Webtrac before March 4 to make sure your information is up to date and that you are familiar with the layout and navigation. You will need Adobe Acrobat Reader to open these files.



- Know your user ID and password ahead of time. If you cannot remember it, use the "Forgot Password" or "Forgot Username" on the left side of the screen.
- Not sure if you have an account? Click "Contact Us" at the top of the screen to send a message with your Name, Address, Email Address and Phone Number or email staff directly at info@register.brec.org. BREC staff will get back to you as soon as possible.
- Never registered online before? Make your Webtrac account before March 4 by choosing "Create an Account" at the top of the screen.

For issues, email info@register.brec.org.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

- Visa, MasterCard or Discover credit/debit card are accepted on webtrac.brec.org.
- To pay by check or cash, please visit your selected camp location to register during the facility's regular hours of operation beginning Sunday, March 5.

PARTIAL PAYMENT AVAILABLE: All summer camp sessions can be reserved ONLINE by East Baton Rouge Parish residents with a 50% payment of total session fees through Friday, April 28. Beginning Saturday, April 29, full payments for summer camp sessions are required at the time of registration. Other arrangements may be made by going into the camp location where you would like to register. Full payment must be received by the Thursday prior to camp.

SCHOLARSHIPS: East Baton Rouge Parish residents can apply for scholarship opportunities ONLINE with a 50% pre-payment of total session fees and by filling out the scholarship request form available during registration. Mark the "interested in scholarship" box to access the request form. BREC may provide scholarship assistance of 50% of the total fee due to those families who qualify by providing documentation of filed 2022 Federal Tax form 1040 or current SNAP benefits. The 2022 filed Tax Form must have the name of the person registering the camper(s) and it must have the camper(s) listed as dependents. Line 1 of the tax form must meet the federal/state poverty guidelines to qualify. To qualify using SNAP, proof of current benefits must be documented with the name of the person registering camper(s) and have the camper(s) names listed as dependents. Once a completed request and all correct documentation has been received you will be notified within ten business days if it has been accepted. For more information or questions regarding hardship assistance please email scholarships@brec.org.

- Scholarships are available on a first come, first served basis until funds are no longer available.
- Scholarships are not available for Baton Rouge Zoo and Tennis Camp sessions

SUMMER CAMP REFUNDS

Registrants must request all refunds on a 2023 Summer Camp Refund form which can be downloaded at brec.org/summercamp or picked up at your summer camp location. Completed forms must be emailed to summercamp@brec.org.

If a registrant requests a refund more than 10 business days prior to the start of the session, BREC will issue the full session fee minus a \$15 transaction fee. If a registrant requests a refund 10 business days or less from the start of the session, BREC will not issue a refund. All checks must clear the bank before BREC processes any refunds. BREC does not issue a refund for any session already in progress. Please allow 3-4 weeks for BREC to issue a refund after the refund form has been submitted. Addresses must be legible and up to date to avoid any delay with the refund process. Refunds will be distributed to the payee named on the BREC summer camp payment receipt.

ASSESSMENTS

All campers with a diagnosed disability must undergo an assessment with a BREC Adaptive staff member. The assessment must be completed prior to starting camp. Assessments are essential for our campers to have a successful experience at camp. Assessments are required prior to registration for all Sunshine Camps.

Assessments are held in person at Nairn Drive Park
Mondays / Jan. 23-May 10 / 3:30-5:30 p.m.
Wednesdays / March 6-May 10 / 3:30-5:30 p.m.
No assessments will be held on Feb. 20

After May 10 assessments are by appointment only. No assessments will be scheduled between June 5-9. To set up an assessment or for questions, email recadaptive@brec.org.

CAMP BREC BUS STOPS

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COMMUNITY RECREATION SUMMER CAMPS



For Camper Assessments or Camp Scholarship information, please see page 4 for more information.

CAMP BREC

Animal Adventures

Gallop, slither, glide, or crawl down to BREC for animal-themed movement, crafts and games. Experience face-to-face encounters with beautiful beasts and creepy crawlies. Be a part of the herd during this wild week of Animal Adventures!

Foodie Frenzy

Would you describe yourself as a "foodie"? Do you love trying out new recipes or look to learn more about food? Foodie Frenzy is the right camp for you! We will learn basic cooking skills, cook simple recipes, and explore different foodie sites in the area. Let's get cookin'!

Full STEAM Ahead

Get ready for an exciting and hands-on learning opportunity for campers with a focus on Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math. Each activity is created to be both fun and full of learning by capturing your eyes, minds, and hearts with inspiration, imagination, and exploration.

Gamer's Paradise

Are you interested in learning more about gaming? If so, then this week is for you! Enjoy a week of eSport gaming tournaments, arcade field trips, education on gaming technology, and much more. Get an edge on the competition and join the family of eSports.

Muddy Sneakers

This week is for the outdoor lovers! Don't be afraid to get a little dirty because there's tons to learn and even more outdoor activities to be done such as hiking, canoeing, archery, fishing, and much more! Grab your sneakers or hiking boots and let's go on an adventure!

Splash-In

Bring your towel, goggles and sunscreen, and dive in for a full week of swim lessons, water safety, and splash-splashing fun! Whether your comfort level is floating on the surface or rolling in the deep, our aquatic activities will help develop skills sure to swimpress.

Spy Camp

In this week full of espionage and intrigue, campers will gather tools and tricks of the trade while learning the impact of spies throughout history. Build your own spy gadgets, decode secret messages, and race against time to escape counter-intelligence measures. Don't blow your cover, agents!



Wellness Warriors

Let's take the meaning of "Health and Wellness" to the next level! Activities, field trips and guests this week will help campers learn what it takes to be healthy both physically and mentally while having fun!

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

\$125 per week for EBR Parish residents

\$150 per week for out-of-parish residents

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK

BUS STOPS: Gus Young Park + ExxonMobil / YMCA at Howell Place Gym + Mills Avenue Park

Session 1: Spy Camp June 5-9

Session 2: Animal Adventures June 12-16

Session 3: Muddy Sneakers June 19-23

Session 4: Foodie Frenzy June 26-30

Session 5: NO CAMP July 3-7

Session 6: Splash-In July 10-14

Session 7: Wellness Warriors July 17-2

Session 8: Full STEAM Ahead July 24-28

Session 9: NO CAMP July 31-Aug. 4



BAKER RECREATION CENTER

BUS STOPS: TD Bickham Park + Alsen Park

- Session 1: **Gamer's Paradise** June 5-9
- Session 2: **Spy Camp** June 12-16
- Session 3: **Animal Adventures** June 19-23
- Session 4: **Muddy Sneakers** June 26-30
- Session 5: **NO CAMP** July 3-7
- Session 6: **Foodie Frenzy** July 10-14
- Session 7: **Splash-In** July 17-21
- Session 8: **Wellness Warriors** July 24-28
- Session 9: **Full STEAM Ahead** July 31-Aug. 4

CHURCH STREET PARK

BUS STOPS: Plank Road Park

- Session 1: **Animal Adventures** June 5-9
- Session 2: **Muddy Sneakers** June 12-16
- Session 3: **Foodie Frenzy** June 19-23
- Session 4: **Splash-In** June 26-30
- Session 5: **NO CAMP** July 3-7
- Session 6: **Wellness Warriors** July 10-14
- Session 7: **Full STEAM Ahead** July 17-21
- Session 8: **Gamer's Paradise** July 24-28

PLANK ROAD PARK

Session 9: **Spy Camp** July 31-Aug. 4

FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

BUS STOPS: Antioch Boulevard Park + Cedar Ridge Park

- Session 1: **Splash-In** June 5-9
- Session 2: **Wellness Warriors** June 12-16
- Session 3: **Full STEAM Ahead** June 19-23
- Session 4: **Gamer's Paradise** June 26-30
- Session 5: **NO CAMP** July 3-7
- Session 6: **Spy Camp** July 10-14
- Session 7: **Animal Adventures** July 17-21
- Session 8: **Muddy Sneakers** July 24-28
- Session 9: **Foodie Frenzy** July 31-Aug. 4

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

BUS STOPS: Ben Burge Park + Mayfair Park

- Session 1: **Wellness Warriors** June 5-9
- Session 2: **Full STEAM Ahead** June 12-16
- Session 3: **Gamer's Paradise** June 19-23
- Session 4: **Spy Camp** June 26-30
- Session 5: **NO CAMP** July 3-7
- Session 6: **Animal Adventures** July 10-14
- Session 7: **Muddy Sneakers** July 17-21
- Session 8: **Foodie Frenzy** July 24-28
- Session 9: **Splash-In** July 31-Aug. 4

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK

BUS STOPS: Saia Park + Jefferson Highway Park

Session 1: Full STEAM Ahead June 5-9

Session 2: Gamer's Paradise June 12-16

Session 3: Spy Camp June 19-23

Session 4: Animal Adventure June 26-30

Session 5: NO CAMP July 3-7

Session 6: Muddy Sneakers July 10-14

Session 7: Foodie Frenzy July 17-21

Session 8: Splash-In July 24-28

Session 9: NO CAMP July 31-Aug. 4

LOVETT ROAD PARK

BUS STOPS: Hooper Road Park + Jackson Community Park

Session 1: Muddy Sneakers June 5-9

Session 2: Foodie Frenzy June 12-16

Session 3: Splash-In June 19-23

Session 4: Wellness Warriors June 26-30

Session 5: NO CAMP July 3-7

Session 6: Full STEAM Ahead July 10-14

Session 7: Gamer's Paradise July 17-21

Session 8: Spy Camp July 24-28

JACKSON COMMUNITY PARK

Session 9: Animal Adventures July 31-Aug. 4

NORTH SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

BUS STOPS: Hamilton Park + Maplewood Park

Session 1: Foodie Frenzy June 5-9

Session 2: Splash-In June 12-16

Session 3: Wellness Warriors June 19-23

Session 4: Full STEAM Ahead June 26-30

Session 5: NO CAMP July 3-7

Session 6: Gamer's Paradise July 10-14

Session 7: Spy Camp July 17-21

Session 8: Animal Adventures July 24-28

Session 9: NO CAMP July 31-Aug. 4



Bitty Beaucoup Camp

Half days can pack a whole lot of fun! Three-and-four-year-olds will experience many of the same weekly themes as older campers, with adapted activities and pint-sized adventures fit for toddlers. Campers must be potty trained and require no assistance in toileting to attend.

7 a.m.-noon / Ages: 3-4

\$62.50 per week for EBR Parish residents

\$75 per week for out-of-parish residents

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK + CHURCH STREET PARK + FOREST COMMUNITY PARK + HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK + JACKSON COMMUNITY PARK

Session 1: June 5-9

Session 2: June 12-16

Session 3: June 19-23

Session 4: June 26-30

Session 5: NO CAMP July 3-7

Session 6: July 10-14

Session 7: July 17-21

Session 8: July 24-28

Session 9: NO CAMP July 31-Aug. 4

CAMP BREC BUS STOPS

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ADAPTIVE RECREATION SUMMER CAMPS

For Camper Assessments or Camp Scholarship information, please see page 4 for more information.

All Camp Sunshine campers are required to undergo an assessment with a BREC Adaptive staff member prior to registering for camp. Assessments are held in person at Nairn Drive Park

Mondays / Jan. 23-May 10 / 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Wednesdays / March 6-May 10 / 3:30-5:30 p.m.

No assessments will be held on Feb. 20

After May 10 assessments are by appointment only. No assessments will be scheduled between June 5-9. To set up an assessment or for questions, email recadaptive@brec.org.

CAMP SUNSHINE

Camp Sunshine is an exclusive camp for campers with intellectual and developmental disabilities who can function within a staff ration of 1:5. During each themed week, campers will enjoy recreational games and activities, arts and crafts, field trips, water activities, and inclusive activities with other BREC summer camps to socialize and interact with their peers.

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

\$125 per week for EBR Parish residents

\$150 per week for out-of-parish residents

JEFFERSON HIGHWAY PARK / Ages: 8-11

NAIRN DRIVE PARK / Ages: 12-17

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK - SUNSHINE CLUB / Ages: 18+

Session 1: June 5-9

Session 2: June 12-16

Session 3: June 19-23

Session 4: June 26-30

Session 5: **NO CAMP** July 3-7

Session 6: July 10-14

Session 7: July 17-21

Session 8: July 24-28

Session 9: **NO CAMP** July 31-Aug. 4

TEEN SUMMER CAMPS

For Camper Assessments or Camp Scholarship information, please see page 4 for more information.

CAMP RED STICK

Eleven through fourteen-year-olds who love being on the move, having fun, and taking trips, Camp Red Stick is for you! Camp Red Stick is all about exploring, swimming, gaming, learning life skills, and connecting with their community. The summer is to unplug, connect with friends and go on adventures so why not do it with BREC!

7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. / Ages: 11-14

\$125 per week for EBR Parish residents

\$150 per week for out-of-parish residents

ANTIOCH BOULEVARD PARK + GUS YOUNG AVENUE PARK + PLANK ROAD PARK + RED OAKS PARK

Session 1: June 5-9

Session 2: June 12-16

Session 3: June 19-23

Session 4: June 26-30

Session 5: **NO CAMP** July 3-7

Session 6: July 10-14

Session 7: July 17-21

Session 8: July 24-28

RED OAKS PARK ONLY

Session 9: July 31-Aug. 4

Includes special 2-night overnight camp experience. Overnight location TBA.

\$200 per week for EBR Parish residents

\$240 per week for out-of-parish residents

ATHLETICS SUMMER CAMPS

For Camper Assessments or Camp Scholarship information, please see page 4 for more information.

SUMMER BASEBALL/ SOFTBALL CAMP

Campers will develop new skills and refine existing talents in baseball and softball. Each camper will be given a fitness test that covers different exercises so they can continue to develop baseball or softball skills on their own. Campers will visit athletic facilities throughout the Baton Rouge area. Local athletes will speak to them about opportunities that exist in sports and how to achieve their athletic goals. Campers will also be introduced to additional sports like volleyball, ultimate frisbee, dodgeball, soccer, and kickball for an ultimate BREC Athletics' Summer Camp experience.

Teamwork, sportsmanship, and positive behavior on and off the field will be emphasized throughout the camp, as those characteristics are the foundation for a successful future on and off the field. Each week will have a focus on a skill for baseball and/or softball but campers will do a wide range of activities during the week. BREC Athletics encourages parents to register for at least five (5) sessions in baseball and/or softball skill to benefit from the program during the summer.

KATHY DRIVE PARK

- Session 1: Catching** June 5-9
- Session 2: Fielding** June 12-16
- Session 3: Throwing** June 19-23
- Session 4: Batting** June 26-30
- Session 5: NO CAMP** July 3-7
- Session 6: Fielding + Base Running** July 10-14
- Session 7: Batting + Pitching** July 17-21
- Session 8: Intrasquad Games** July 24-28
- Session 9: Performance Training** July 31- Aug. 4

FLANNERY ROAD PARK FOOTBALL SUMMER CAMP

Campers will get to emphasize developing their football skills both technical and tactical abilities. While the camp will be mainly spent running football drills at Flannery Road Park, campers will also take field trips each week to varying locations. During the field trips, campers will visit athletic facilities throughout the Baton Rouge area. Local athletes will join the campers as guest speakers, to discuss with them sports opportunities that exist and how to achieve their athletic goals. Teamwork, sportsmanship, and positive behavior on and off the field will be emphasized, as those characteristics are the foundation for a successful future. BREC Athletics encourages parents to register for all four (4) sessions in either June and/or July to benefit from the program each month.

FLANNERY ROAD PARK

- Session 1: Performance Training** June 5-9
- Session 2: Offensive Skills** June 12-16
- Session 3: Defensive Skills** June 19-23
- Session 4: 7v7 Games** June 26-30
- Session 5: NO CAMP** July 3-7
- Session 6: Performance Training** July 10-14
- Session 7: Defensive Skills** July 17-21
- Session 8: Offensive Skills** July 24-28
- Session 9: 7v7 Games** July 31- Aug. 4

LESTER ROBERTS SPORTS ACADEMY SUMMER CAMP

This summer focus on developing your basketball player's technical and tactical abilities. The Lester Roberts Sports Academy Basketball camp will heavily focus on running basketball drills at Sports Academy. The camp will take field trips each week to varying locations where campers will visit athletic facilities throughout the Baton Rouge area and hear local athletes speak. Guest athletic speakers will discuss with campers about opportunities that exist and how to achieve their athletic goals. Teamwork, sportsmanship, and positive behavior on and off the field will be emphasized as those characteristics are the foundation for a successful future on and off the court.

SPORTS ACADEMY

- Session 1:** June 5-9
- Session 2:** June 12-16
- Session 3:** June 19-23
- Session 4:** June 26-30
- Session 5: NO CAMP** July 3-7
- Session 6:** July 10-14
- Session 7:** July 17-21
- Session 8:** July 24-28
- Session 9:** July 31- Aug. 4

ATHLETICS SUMMER CAMPS

7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. / Ages: 8-12
\$125 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents
\$150 for out-of-parish residents

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

More Info:  225-272-9200 EXT 1403

 athletics@brec.org

BATON ROUGE ZOO

SUMMER CAMPS

If your child has a disability, please see page 4 for more information.

ZOO CAMP

Makes Sense to Me

Campers will embark on an exploration of animal senses. Campers will learn how animals' senses aid them in survival; finding food, shelter and family.

Session 1: May 29-June 2 / Ages: 5-7

Who's Who at the Zoo

What makes a mammal a mammal and not a reptile or a bird? We'll figure out nature's family tree and find out how animals are classified.

Session 2: June 5-9 / Ages: 5-7

I'm So Misunderstood!

Are snakes slimy? Do bats really fly into people's hair? Separate fact from fiction as we explore the myths and realities of our misunderstood creature friends.

Session 3: June 12-16 / Ages: 8-10

Survivor

How long could you stand living in the arctic tundra or the Gobi desert? What about dark caves or lush rainforests? Campers will gain a better understanding of animal life in the most extreme conditions.

Session 4: June 19-23 / Ages: 8-10

Game Time

Campers will learn how the zoo keepers keep our animals healthy, happy, and entertained, and will have the chance to create their own enrichment for some of our very lucky residents.

Session 5: June 26-30 / Ages: 11-13

Show Offs!

Ever wonder why peacocks have such beautiful tails? Or how animals communicate without ever saying a word? Come find out this week as we observe the colorful peacocks, watch some silly monkeys, and listen to some unusual animal calls.

Session 6: July 3-7 / Ages: 5-7

Fur, Feathers and Scales

The animal kingdom is extensive and diverse, and creatures must be built correctly to adapt to their environments. Campers will analyze how various animals depend on their specialized covers and judge the importance of their own.

Session 7: July 10-14 / Ages: 5-7

Class Act

What makes a turtle a reptile not a bird? Why are mammals covered in fur and not scales? This session will help campers learn how animals are placed into the different classes of Mammal, Reptile, Birds, Amphibians and Fish.

Session 8: July 17-21 / Ages: 8-10

Let's Eat

Whether you eat like a bird or enjoy pigging out every now and then, everyone has a favorite food. But are you a predator or a grazer? Or maybe a parasite or a decomposer? Come get your fill and help yourselves to seconds as we check out the animal kingdom's finest eats.

Session 9: July 24-28 / Ages: 8-10

Animal All-Stars

Can you run faster than a cheetah, jump farther than a kangaroo, or hold your breath longer than an otter? Are you smarter than an owl, or taller than a giraffe? Campers will assess how they stack up when compared to some of nature's champions.

Session 10: July 31-Aug. 4 / Ages: 5-7

ZOO SUMMER CAMPS

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Early drop off 7:30-9 a.m. / Late pick up 4-5:30 p.m.

No additional fee

\$130 for EBR parish residents

\$152 for out-of-parish residents

Registration begins February 25

Registration fees are non-refundable

 brzoo.org  225-775-3877 Option 5

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER SUMMER CAMPS

For Camper Assessments or Camp Scholarship information, please see page 4 for more information.

SWAMPSCAPES

Join us this summer in exploring the patterns, shapes and colors of the Swamp. From spirals and squares to chartreuse and camouflage, we'll find it all! Age-specific, thematic activities are developed to keep campers having fun all day long as they interact with live animals, go on outdoor hikes, play games and make unique nature crafts. Fun snacks are provided in the afternoons, but campers should bring a bag lunch and drink each day. Field trips are generally scheduled twice a week, including for Swamp Squirts sessions.

Swamp Counselors in Training session will continue with new opportunities for first, second, and third year CITs to gain skills needed to work as counselors at Bluebonnet Swamp. Topics focus on camper management techniques, leadership training and activity development, as well as job seeking skills to provide valuable experience for potential employment opportunities in the future. The Swamp CIT registration fee includes four days of training (May 30-June 2) and one day of skill evaluation the following week (June 5-9).

Session 0C: Swamp Counselors in Training

May 30-June 2 / Ages: 14-17

Session 1: Swamp Squirts

June 5-9 / Ages: 5-6

Session 2: Swamp Stompers

June 12-16 / Ages: 7-10

Session 3: Swamp Stompers BOYS!

June 19-23 / Ages: 7-10

Session 4: Swamp Stompers

June 26-30 / Ages: 7-10

Session 5: NO CAMP

July 3-7

Session 6: Swamp Explorers

July 10-14 / Ages: 11-14

Session 7: Swamp Stompers

July 17-21 / Ages: 7-10

Session 8: Swamp Stompers GIRLS!

July 24-28 / Ages: 7-10

Session 9: Swamp Squirts

July 31-Aug. 4 / Ages: 5-6

BLUEBONNET SWAMP SUMMER CAMPS

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

\$125 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$150 for out-of-parish residents

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

 Bluebonnet Swamp Nature Center

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





BREC ART SUMMER CAMPS

For Camper Assessments or Camp Scholarship information, please see page 4 for more information.

ASPIRING ARTISTS ART CAMP

These weeklong sessions will offer creative and fun art-based projects as well as field trips and visits from professional artists. The elements of art such as color theory, line, texture, shape, and form will be covered. Introductions to famous and infamous artists will also be part of the topics covered, all guised under an atmosphere of fun and encouragement!

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK

Session 2: June 12-16 / Ages 6-8

Session 3: June 19-23 / Ages: 7-9

Session 4: June 26-30 / Ages: 7-9

Session 6: July 10-14 / Ages: 10-13

ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK

Session 1: June 5-9 / Ages 6-8

Session 2: June 12-16 / Ages 6-8

Session 3: June 19-23 / Ages: 7-9

Session 4: June 26-30 / Ages: 7-9

Session 5: July 3-7 (NO CAMP July 4) / Ages 7-9

Session 6: July 10-14 / Ages: 10-13

Session 7: July 17-21 / Ages 10-13

ANIMAL CRACKERS ART CAMP

All pets, all week is the theme of this fun camp for pet lovers! Paintings of pups, clever cats, glittery goldfish, beautiful birds, funky ferrets and more all have a place in this art inspired pet menagerie!

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK

Session 5: July 3-7 (NO CAMP July 4) / Age: 7-11

Session 8: July 24-28 / Ages: 7-11

MEDIEVAL TIMES ART CAMP

Good morrow, Lords and Ladies. Prithee (please) join in the festivities as we catapult art campers into ye olden days of the Renaissance with dragons and castles and all things Medieval.

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK

Session 1: June 5-9 / Ages: 7-11

Session 7: July 17-21 / Ages: 7-11

C.I.T. (COUNSELOR IN TRAINING)

This 4-day workshop/camp is for those BREC lifers who have an interest in art and have aged out but want to continue their summers with BREC or for any aspiring art counselor. Training will cover how to engage school-aged children, rules and etiquette of group settings, teaching tips, creativity for all ages and, of course ART, are all part of this informative, fun session.

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK

May 30-31 + June 1-2

noon-5 p.m. / Ages: 14-17

BREC ART SUMMER CAMPS

8 a.m.-5 p.m.

\$125 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$150 for out-of-parish residents

To register: webtrac.brec.org

More info: robin.mcandrew@brec.org

225-272-9200 EXT 1505

CONSERVATION SUMMER CAMPS

For Camper Assessments or Camp Scholarship information, please see page 4 for more information.

NATURE EXPLORERS SUMMER CAMP

Nature Explorers Camp is all about getting your child outside for a hands-on exploration of nature at BREC's Palomino Drive Park. Campers will explore the campus, learn new things, and enjoy the great outdoors. Age-specific activities are designed to keep your camper engaged, learning, and having a blast all week long. These will include themed outdoor games, fishing, hiking, crafts, and experiments.

We also offer a week-long Counselors in Training program so that your young adult can learn about becoming a natural resource professional while getting job training and experience. Additionally, we offer Expedition weeks for the campers looking to take their explorations to the next level.

Counselors in Training: Naturalist Workshop

This week teens will take their nature interests to the next level. We will cover leadership skills, education program planning, careers skills and options in natural resources and other science fields, camper management, networking, and more! Once completing this week, teens have the option of assisting with camp throughout the summer for additional experience.

Session 0C: May 30-June 2 / Ages: 14-17

Ecosystem Explorations

Ecosystem Exploration sessions will break down the natural world through exploration and play. Campers will learn about nature's functions and the different ecosystems and the organisms within them. They will adventure into swamps, forests, and rivers; hiking, splashing, and investigating the who, what, and how of local habitats. No bug, fish, bird, or fungus is off-limits in this wild exploration of native Louisiana Ecosystems.

Session 1: June 5-9 / Ages: 7-10

Session 2: June 12-16 / Ages: 10-13

Session 7: July 17-21 / Ages: 7-10

Expedition Week: Wilderness Survival Adventure

Ever wonder what it would be like to rough it in the wild? This week we dive headfirst into survival techniques, skills, and knowledge that you would need to survive in the wilderness. Follow us on this adventure where we will paddle, fish, hike and explore what it would be like to survive in the wild.

Session 4: June 26-30 / Ages: 10-13

Expedition Week: Expedition Frentchtown

The mission: explore BREC'S largest conservation area. The objective: Spend an entire week at the new Frentchtown education building helping our camp staff discover the secrets of the park. Each day of the week will focus on a different aspect of the park (water, plants, animals, etc.) culminating in a mini Bioblitz on Friday! If you are interested in conservation or nature, come join us as we learn how to find our way on and off the trail, see what calls the park home, learn collection and research skills, and generally go where few have gone before!

Session 6: July 10-14 / Ages: 14-17

Expedition Week: Curious Creatures

Resurrecting frogs, invisible insects, immortal jellyfish, supersonic shrimp, glowing sharks? The world is full of curious creatures, and these are only the ones we know about. Join us this week for a look at the cool, creepy, amazing, wonderful world of animals. We will take a close look at the captivating creatures that have been found on earth and even investigate the cryptid beasts of lore and legend that still perplex researchers to this day.

Session 3: June 19-23 / Ages: 7-10

Session 8: July 24-28 / Ages: 10-13

Expedition Week: A Bug's Life

What's small and crawls and is fun to hunt for? Bugs! Join us for a week focused on the insect world where we will be digging in the dirt and swinging nets through the air in our search for bugs. We will explore sampling techniques and spend a moment in their buzzing, flying, crawling world as we learn all about the lives of insects and spiders.

Session 9: July 31-Aug. 4 / Ages: 7-10

CONSERVATION SUMMER CAMPS

PALOMINO DRIVE PARK

8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Early drop-off 7:30 a.m. / Late pick-up 5:30 p.m.

\$125 per East Baton Rouge Parish resident

\$150 per out-of-parish resident

To register:  webtrac.brec.org (Activity #220180)

More info:  conservation@brec.org

 225-418-4979



EXTREME SPORTS SUMMER CAMPS

For Camper Assessments or Camp Scholarship information, please see page 4 for more information.

Extreme sports summer camp is a great summer camp for kids who enjoy getting a little bit extreme! While attending camp, kids will receive instruction in skateboarding, BMX riding, and scootering. Campers will have a chance to get daily instructed practice as well as free ride time in various extreme sports disciplines. Our camp takes weekly field trips to BREC's Liberty Lagoon, as well as other exciting trips within and sometimes outside of East Baton Rouge Parish. This camp is built on creating a fun atmosphere with a great balance of learning, play, and skill development. Bikes, skateboards, scooters, and helmets will be provided if you do not have your own. Registration is limited to 24 campers per session. This camp fills up fast, so please register early!

Session 1: June 5-9

Session 2: June 12-16

Session 3: June 19-23

Session 4: June 26-30

EXTREME SPORTS SUMMER CAMPS

EXTREME SPORTS PARK AT PERKINS ROAD
COMMUNITY PARK

8 a.m.-5 p.m. / Ages: 10-13

\$125 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$150 for out-of-parish residents

To register: webtrac.brec.org

More info: [225-776-9039](tel:225-776-9039) xsports@brec.org

FARR PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER SUMMER CAMPS

For Camper Assessments or Camp Scholarship information, please see page 4 for more information.

HORSE LOVER'S CAMP

Farr Park Equestrian Center divides each weekly session of the camp into three different groups: Pony (P), Western (W), and English (E). Campers learn basic riding skills, horsemanship, horse care, and stable management, in addition to fun crafts and friendship. This one-week camp will focus on riding in a fun, age-appropriate environment, taught by an instructor specializing in teaching younger riders. All campers will share a horse with a partner, and ride daily. When registering, be sure to enroll in the proper age group and riding style.

FARR PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER

Session 1: June 5-9 / 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Session 2: June 12-16 / 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Session 3: June 19-23 / 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Session 5: **NO CAMP** July 3-7

Session 6: July 10-14 / 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Session 7: July 17-21 / 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Session 8: July 24-28 / 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Ages: 6-8 (Pony)

Ages: 9-12 (English/Western)

10 campers maximum per group

HORSE LOVER'S ADVENTURE CAMP

PRESENTED BY FARR PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER + OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

Does your young one love adventure? Would you like your child to experience less technology and more of the great outdoors? Then Horse Lover's Adventure Camp is where you want to send your child this summer! In the morning, campers will learn basic riding and horsemanship skills, and participate in crafts, games, and other horse related activities. After lunch, they will learn skills in the following areas: paddling, hiking, biking, fishing, archery, slack lining, land navigation, geocaching, and other outdoor-themed activities.

FARR PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER + OUTDOOR ADVENTURE OFF SITE LOCATIONS

Session 4: June 26-30 / 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Ages: 9-12

30 campers maximum

JUNIOR HORSEMANSHIP CAMP

This camp educates young equestrians about more advanced riding, horsemanship and horse care. Junior Horsemanship participants should have previous riding experience (beginner through advanced) in any discipline, and campers may choose to ride English or Western, while being exposed to different riding styles. Riders will ride daily, go on a trail ride, and learn how to lunge, wrap legs, muck stalls, feed, bathe, medicate, and load onto a trailer.

FARR PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER

Session 9: July 31-Aug. 4 / 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Ages: 13-15

10 campers maximum

FARR PARK SUMMER CAMPS

Half-Day Session: 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Early drop-off 7:30 a.m. / Late pick-up 1:30 p.m.

\$135 for EBR Parish residents

\$162 for out-of-parish residents

Full Day Session: 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Early drop-off 7:30 a.m. / Late pick-up 5:30 p.m.

\$200 for EBR Parish residents

\$240 for out-of-parish residents

To register:  webtrac.brec.org  225-769-7805

More info:  camille.chapman@brec.org

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY SUMMER CAMPS

For Camper Assessments or Camp Scholarship information, please see page 4 for more information.

ASTROSTARTERS

In this introduction, children will first experience the concepts of enormous distances and incredibly lengthy time periods. They begin to learn the characteristics of different planets and moons and prepare themselves for the higher-level sessions.

Session 2: June 12-16 / 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Session 7: July 17-21 / 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Ages 6-7

ASTROPROS

This session is for the more advanced campers who are just starting to reach the age of independent astronomical study. AstroPro campers, each summer are both just starting in the skygazing hobby and continuing an interest obtained years earlier. This camp will focus on expanding their skills and knowledge, opening the door for more programming curated for eight- to ten-year-old AstroPros.

Session 1: June 5-9 / 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Session 4: June 26-30 / 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Session 6: July 10-14 / 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Session 9: July 31-Aug. 4 / 8 a.m. 5 p.m.

Ages 8-10

FORCE OF NATURE EXPLORERS

This one-week-only session focuses on the four forces of nature: the weak nuclear force, the strong nuclear force, gravity, and the electromagnetic spectrum (gamma rays, x-rays, ultraviolet, color, infrared, microwaves and radio). Campers will investigate the spacecraft and instruments studying these forces, perform indoor and outdoor experiments demonstrating the presence of these forces in our lives and build basic devices connected to these inquiries! There will be special guests throughout the week to explain the process for obtaining an Amateur Radio Service license.

Session 3: June 19-23 / 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Ages 11-13

LUNAR EXPLORERS

This one-week-only session focuses on accomplishments of Lunar Explorers! There will be simulated moondust, overviews of transcripts and audio from actual Moon landings, and previews of actual human beings headed back to the Moon, then on to Mars...

Session 8: July 24-28 / 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Ages 11-13

OBSERVATORY SUMMER CAMPS

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY

\$125 per East Baton Rouge camper per session

\$150 per out-of-parish camper per session

To register: ☎ 225-768-9948 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

Registration limited to one session per child.

INDEPENDENCE PARK THEATRE SUMMER CAMPS

For Camper Assessments or Camp Scholarship information, please see page 4 for more information.

MUSICAL THEATRE CAMP

Our cast of campers have the exciting opportunity to produce a full-scaled musical in just three weeks! In this special program, campers learn theatre skills and gain acting experience through hands-on participation in the production process. Each session will lead its participants through auditioning, choreography, staging, costuming, and vocal rehearsals all leading up to the opening night of their BIG SHOW! Parents, family, and friends are invited to come enjoy the show on the last day of camp. On with the show!

The Grunch: A Musical Theatre Camp for Kids

The Grunch tells the story of Rudy Grunch, a grumpy 6th grader who always feels like an outsider. When the entire school gets excited about the annual school musical, he comes up with a perfect plan to ruin it for everyone; he'll steal the sets, costumes and lights the night before it opens. But will the spirit of theatre prevail?

INDEPENDENCE PARK THEATRE

June 5-23 / Monday-Friday / 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Performance Date: June 23 / 6 p.m.

Ages: 7-11

\$375 for EBR Parish residents

\$450 for Out-of-Parish residents

Matilda Jr.: A Musical Theatre Camp for Teens

Matilda has astonishing wit, intelligence... and special powers! She's unloved by her cruel parents but impresses her schoolteacher, the highly loveable Miss Honey. Matilda's school life isn't completely smooth sailing, however – the school's mean headmistress, Miss Trunchbull, hates children and just loves thinking up new punishments for those who don't abide by her rules. But Matilda has courage and cleverness in equal amounts and could be the school pupils' saving grace!

INDEPENDENCE PARK THEATRE

June 26-July 14 / Monday-Friday (NO CAMP July 4)

8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Performance Date: July 14 / 6 p.m.

Ages: 12-16

\$375 for EBR Parish residents

\$450 for out-of-parish residents

ACTING FOR THE STAGE + SCREEN CAMP

Every young actor's chance to be a star! In this special program, campers learn theatre skills and gain acting experience through hands-on participation in the production process. Campers will learn the basics of acting for the stage and screen in a FUN and SAFE environment. Be ready to move! As we learn and develop scenes, discover the differences of performance for the camera, do improv and acting games, learn blocking and movement, The Meisner Technique, and distinguish between different styles and genres of story and character, your child is sure to have an engaging and memorable summer.

Outcomes & Benefits

- Deep dive into scene study and learn how to interpret a character's motivations and how to express those motivations clearly.
- Develop skills to make a character your own and build confidence in performing.
- Learn how to use movement and choreography to express character and story.
- Explore the differences in acting for a live audience and acting for the camera.
- Learn how to work with, listen to, and respond to your scene partners to create the best performance.

INDEPENDENCE EVENT CENTER

July 17-28 / Monday-Friday / 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Parent Showcase: July 28 / 6 p.m.

Ages: 12-16

\$250 for EBR Parish residents

\$300 for out-of-parish residents

FILM CAMP

With smartphones, tablets, and software exposing kids to the tools of filmmaking at younger and younger ages, the Film for Kids and Youth camps are structured to help introduce kids to the essentials of filmmaking while creating a fun and supportive environment in which they can pursue their passion. Our camps challenge young people to bring a story to life with moving images.

No prior experience is required — only enthusiasm. Tablet/smart phone is required.

Film Camp: Kids

INDEPENDENCE EVENT CENTER

June 5-16 / Monday-Friday / 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Film Presentation: June 16 / 5:30 p.m.

Ages: 7-11

\$250 for EBR Parish residents

\$300 for out-of-parish residents

Film Camp: Teens

INDEPENDENCE EVENT CENTER

July 17-28 / Monday-Friday / 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Film Presentation: June 28 / 5:30 p.m.

Ages: 12-16

\$250 for EBR Parish residents

\$300 for out-of-parish residents

IMAGINATION STATION

Let your imagination run wild! Combine the art forms of dance, visual art, poetry, acting, music, and design to make something new every day! Come ready to focus your creativity and create new art every day!

INDEPENDENCE EVENT CENTER

July 3-14 / Monday-Friday (NO CAMP July 4)

8 a.m.- 5 p.m.

Ages: 7-11

\$250 for EBR Parish residents

\$300 for out-of-parish residents

INDEPENDENCE PARK THEATRE SUMMER CAMPS

More info: ☎ 225-216-0660

🌐 independenceparktheatre.com

MAGNOLIA MOUND SUMMER CAMPS

For Camper Assessments or Camp Scholarship information, please see page 4 for more information.

HISTORY CAMP

Who invented the...? Magnolia Mound's hands-on history camp is for those young historians looking for a fun-filled week of learning about the past! This summer history camp focuses not only on plantation life in Louisiana during the early 1800s, but also inventions of the past, present and future. Campers will explore Louisiana's unique history through historical crafts and activities as well as inventors who made life better. From open hearth cooking to creating their own invention, campers will experience firsthand the folklore, customs and crafts of the past. Two half-day field trips are included to expand the campers' knowledge of museums in our area. This is the 43rd Year of our award-winning history camp program!

Activities are the same for each session in June. A different set of activities will be used for sessions in July. We strongly recommend registering your child for only one session per month.

Session 1: June 5-9

Session 2: June 12-16

Session 3: June 19-23

Session 4: June 26-30

Session 5: July 3-7 (NO CAMP July 4)

Session 6: July 10-14

Session 7: July 17-21

Session 8: July 24-28

MAGNOLIA MOUND SUMMER CAMPS

MAGNOLIA MOUND

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

Early drop off 7:30 a.m. / Late pick-up 5:30 p.m.

\$125 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$150 for out-of-parish residents

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

More info: ☎ 225-343-4955

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OUTDOOR ADVENTURE SUMMER CAMPS

For Camper Assessments or Camp Scholarship information, please see page 4 for more information.

The excitement of high adventure activities like kayaking, rock-climbing, archery, hiking, biking, slacklining and more, mixed in with your favorite traditional camp activities! Give your camper the chance to learn wilderness skills, kayaking, archery and more while hanging out with friends. Our experienced staff will assist campers in trying out new and exciting activities safely and correctly. Fees include all field trips. Registration is limited to 35 campers per session. This camp fills up fast, so please register early!

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK

Session 1: Geaux Explore June 5-9

Session 2: Animal Bonanza June 12-16

Session 3: XTREME! June 19-23

Session 5: NO CAMP July 4-8

Session 6: Captain Camp July 10-14

Session 7: Into the Wilderness July 17-21

Session 8: Color Wars July 24-28

Session 9: Expedition Outback July 31-Aug. 4

Monday-Friday / 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. / Ages: 8-12

\$125 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$150 for out-of-parish residents

HORSE LOVER'S ADVENTURE CAMP

PRESENTED BY OUTDOOR ADVENTURE + FARR PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER

Does your young one love adventure? Would you like your child to experience less technology and more of the great outdoors? Then Horse Lover's Adventure Camp is where you want to send your child this summer! Campers will learn basic riding and horsemanship skills, and participate in crafts, games, and other horse-related activities in the morning and after lunch, learn skills in the following areas: paddling-kayaking, canoeing, stand-up paddle boarding, hiking, biking, fishing, archery, paddle skating, slack lining, land navigation, geocaching and other outdoor-themed activities.

FARR PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER + OUTDOOR ADVENTURE OFF SITE LOCATIONS

Session 4: June 26-30 / 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Ages: 9-12

\$200 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$240 for out-of-parish residents

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE SUMMER CAMPS

To register: webtrac.brec.org

More info: outdooradventure@brec.org

225-272-9200

TENNIS SUMMER CAMPS

For Camper Assessments or Camp Scholarship information, please see page 4 for more information.

CAPITAL ONE TENNIS CENTER AT CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK

Learn the game of tennis or improve your current game.
Campers must bring their own lunch.

Session 1: Ball Blast Tennis Camp / May 23-25

Session 2: Xcelleration Tennis Camp / June 13-15

Session 3: Set-Point Tennis Camp / July 11-13

Tuesday-Thursday / Ages: 5-17

Full Day: 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

\$160 for EBR Parish residents

\$192 for out-of-parish residents

Half Day: 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

\$130 for EBR Parish residents

\$156 for out-of-parish residents

Session 4: Open House Tennis Camp / Aug. 1-4

Tuesday-Friday / 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. / Ages: 5-17

\$60 for EBR Parish resident

\$72 for out-of-parish residents

Registration Deadline: Friday prior to session

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

More info:  225-343-3767

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Learn the game of tennis or improve your current game.
Campers must bring their own lunch.

Session 1: Yahoo Tennis Camp / June 19-23

Session 2: Jumpin' July Tennis Camp / July 17-21

Session 3: Back to School Tennis Camp / July 24-28

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

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

Ages: 6-17

\$175 for EBR Parish residents

\$210 for out-of-parish residents

Registration Deadline: Friday prior to session

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

More info:  225-923-2792

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Tops Junior Tennis + Pickleball Camp

Learn the game of tennis and pickleball. Campers must bring their own lunch.

June 26-30

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

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

Ages: 6-17

\$175 for EBR Parish residents

\$210 for out-of-parish residents

Registration Deadline: June 23

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

More info:  225-923-2792

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Junior Summer Tennis Camp

Learn the game of tennis or improve your current game.
Full-day campers must bring their own lunch.

Session 1: May 22-26

Session 2: May 29-June 2

Session 3: June 5-9

Session 4: June 12-16

Session 5: July 10-14

Session 6: July 17-21

Session 7: July 24-28

Session 8: July 31-Aug. 4

Ages: 4-17

Full Day:

Monday-Thursday / 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Friday / 9-11:30 a.m.

\$215 for EBR Parish residents

\$258 for out-of-parish residents

Half Day:

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

\$160 for EBR Parish residents

\$192 for out-of-parish residents

Weekly early drop off: 8-9 a.m.

\$45 for EBR Parish residents

\$54 for out-of-parish residents

No same day registration allowed / \$10 late fee

Registration Deadline: Friday prior to session

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

More info:  225-766-0247

SUMMER EVENTS + PROGRAMS

ADVENTURE + SPORTS

 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

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

May 5 / 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: April 29

PETS + PADDLE

What can be more fun than to give your family pet a nice boat ride on the University Lakes? This all-in-one event, in cooperation with Friends of the Animals, Pet's and Paddling is an annual fundraiser and pet adoption program. Make a \$10 contribution to Friends of the Animals and take your pooch out in a kayak or paddle board. This is a great opportunity to help a wonderful cause and enjoy some time outdoors with your four-legged friends.

MILFORD WAMPOLD MEMORIAL PARK

May 13 / 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Rain out date: May 20

\$10 Donation to Friends of the Animals

More info:  outdooradventure@brec.org

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

July 1 / 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

Registration deadline: June 23

SUP DAWG

Have you ever wanted to try something new with your four-legged friend? Sign up for a one-hour session for you and your pup to take one of our stand-up paddleboards out on the lake. We will provide all equipment needed to paddle. We will even provide a dog wash station before you leave!

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK

Aug. 12 / 9-10 a.m. + 10-11 a.m. + 11 a.m.-noon

Ages: 12+

\$15 for EBR Parish residents

\$18 for out-of-parish residents

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

More info:  outdooradventure@brec.org

SUMMER SLAM

Roll into Summer Slam with us and enjoy a day-long celebration of the end of summer at the Skatepark! Come join us for music, food, fun, and extremely good riding. Beginning at noon, the park will get blasted with non-stop music as well as food vendors! Starting at 3pm, we will have a skatepark contest involving our Skaters, Bikers, and Scooters with fantastic prizes for top finishers!

EXTREME SPORTS PARK AT PERKINS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

Aug. 12 / 3-7 p.m. / Ages: 5+

More info: [✉ xsports@brec.org](mailto:xsports@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

Aug. 26 / 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](http://webtrac.brec.org) [📞 225-766-0247](tel:225-766-0247)

Registration deadline: Aug. 23

PROGRAMS

EQUESTRIAN

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: [✉ camille.chapman@brec.org](mailto:camille.chapman@brec.org)

[📞 225-769-7805](tel:225-769-7805)

OUTDOOR

SUNSET PADDLE

Join us as we paddle into the beautiful south Louisiana sunset. Enjoy the fading warm colors as we explore this time at 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

May 4 + 25 / 6:30-8 p.m.

June 14 + 28 + July 12 + 26 / 7 -8:30 p.m.

Aug. 10 + 24 / 6:30-8 p.m.

Ages: 12+

\$10 single kayak / \$20 tandem kayak

To register: [🌐 webtrac.brec.org](http://webtrac.brec.org)

More info: [✉ outdooradventure@brec.org](mailto:outdooradventure@brec.org)

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

May 10 + Aug. 22 / 10 a.m.-noon / Ages: 18+

\$10 for EBR Parish residents

\$12 for out-of-parish residents

To register: [🌐 webtrac.brec.org](http://webtrac.brec.org)

More info: [✉ outdooradventure@brec.org](mailto:outdooradventure@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

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

\$15 for EBR Parish residents

\$18 for out-of-parish residents

To register: [🌐 webtrac.brec.org](http://webtrac.brec.org)

More info: [✉ outdooradventure@brec.org](mailto:outdooradventure@brec.org)

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

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

\$15 for EBR Parish residents

\$18 for out-of-parish residents

To register: [🌐 webtrac.brec.org](http://webtrac.brec.org)

More info: [✉ outdooradventure@brec.org](mailto:outdooradventure@brec.org)

PICKLEBALL

ADULT BEGINNER PICKLEBALL INSTRUCTION

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
May 1-Aug. 28 / Monday / 5-7 p.m. / Ages: 18+
\$2 per person

INTERMEDIATE + ADVANCED PICKLEBALL

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

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
May 2-Aug. 31 / Tuesday + Thursday / 5-9 p.m.
Ages: 18+ / \$2 per person

SENIOR BEGINNER PICKLEBALL INSTRUCTION

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
May 3-Aug. 30 / Wednesday / 8-10 a.m.
Ages: 50+ / \$2 per person

ADVANCED PICKLEBALL PROGRAM

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
May 3-Aug. 30 / Wednesday / 5-7 p.m. / Ages: 18+
\$2 per person

YOUTH PICKLEBALL CLINIC

This FREE clinic is for youth who want to learn the game of pickleball.

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
May 20 / 9-11 a.m. / Ages: 6-17

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
May 1-29 + June 5-26 + July 10-31 + Aug. 7-28
Monday / 7:30-8:30 p.m. / Ages: 18+

May monthly rate:

\$139 for EBR Parish residents

\$166.80 for out-of-parish residents

June-Aug. 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

BEGINNER ADULT INSTRUCTION

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

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
May 1-22 / Monday
June 6-27 + July 11-25 / Tuesday
6-7 p.m. / Ages: 18+

May + June monthly rate:

\$40 per session for EBR Parish residents

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

July monthly rate:

\$30 for EBR Parish residents

\$36 for out-of-parish residents

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

INTERMEDIATE ADULT TENNIS CLINIC

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

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
May 1-22 + June 5-26 + July 10-31 + Aug. 7-28
Monday / 6-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 18+

Monthly rate:

\$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

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
May 1-22 / Monday
June 6-27 + July 11-25 / Tuesday
7-8 p.m. / Ages: 18+

May + June monthly rate:

\$40 per session for EBR Parish residents

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

July monthly rate:

\$30 for EBR Parish residents

\$36 for out-of-parish residents

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

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
May 2-Aug. 29 / Tuesday / 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

May 3-24 / Wednesday

June 1-22 + July 6-27 / Thursday

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

May 3-31 / Wednesday

June 1-July 27 / Thursday

7-8:30 p.m. / Ages: 18+ / 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

May 3-24 + June 7-28 + July 5-26 + Aug. 9-30

Wednesday / 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

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

May 7-Aug. 27 / Sunday / 8:30-10 a.m. / Ages: 18+

\$12 per person per session

YOUTH PROGRAMS

JUNIOR BEGINNER INSTRUCTION

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

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

May 2-23 / Tuesday / 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

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

May 3-24 / Wednesday / 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

SUMMER JUNIOR TENNIS ACADEMY

Two four-week sessions. Skill levels include beginner, advanced, and intermediate. No drop-ins. Space is limited.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

May 29-June 21 + July 10-Aug. 2

Monday + Wednesday / 6-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 5-17

Single day per week:

\$60 for EBR Parish residents

\$72 for out-of-parish residents

Two days per week:

\$110 for EBR Parish residents

\$132 for out-of-parish residents

To register: ☎ 225-766-0247

NATIONAL JUNIOR TENNIS LEAGUE (NJTL)

Six-week program to introduce the game of tennis to children.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

June 5-July 12 / Monday + Wednesday / Ages: 8-18

All skill levels: 6-7:30 p.m.

Intermediate players only: 7:30-9 p.m.

\$50 for EBR Parish residents

\$60 for out-of-parish residents

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



AQUATICS

 [BREC.ORG/AQUATICS](https://brec.org/aquatics) + [LIBERTYLAGOON.COM](https://libertylagoon.com)

BREC POOLS

Pools are open from May 27-July 30 from 2-5 p.m. daily. Pool hours are subject to change based on operations and/or inclement weather. There is no cost for entry to these facilities.

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-Oct. 15, daily

Locations:

CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK

1515 Dalrymple Drive

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

ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK

20055 Old Scenic Hwy.

NORTH SHERWOOD COMMUNITY PARK

3140 North Sherwood Forest Dr.

LIBERTY LAGOON

Dates of Operation:

April 22-May 21: Open Saturday + Sunday only
(Closed Mother's Day May 14)

May 27-July 30: Open Daily

July 31-Aug. 4: NEW!!! / 3-7 p.m.

Aug. 5-Sept. 3: Open Saturday + Sunday

Sept. 22- Oct. 15: Surf & Slide / 3-6 p.m.

Hours of Operation:

Monday + Tuesday + Thursday

10 a.m.-7 p.m.

Wednesday: 2-7 p.m.

Friday-Sunday: 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

(The facility will be cleared 15 minutes prior to closing time)

Admissions: (credit card payment only)

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 2023 Operational Season: Monday-Thursday

Extreme Season Pass: \$100+tax

Valid for the 2023 Operational Season + Bonus over

48" receives Shockwave wristband every visit

 libertylagoon.com  225-923-3202

 libertylagoon@brec.org

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 10

 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.

EVENTS

More info: libertylagoon.com/upcomingevents

HERO APPRECIATION DAY

BREC shows their appreciation for first responders and military with Hero Day! All Military, Local EBR Police/Sheriff, Firefighters, and EMTs will receive FREE admission (with proper ID).

LIBERTY LAGOON

May 20 / Regular Operating Hours

MAKE A SPLASH

Patrons with disabilities will be allowed to enjoy the amenities with safe and fun involvement, while keeping sensory issues to a minimum.

LIBERTY LAGOON

May 24 / 3-6 p.m.

Registration opens April 10

Event limit: 50 participants

MOVIE AT THE LAGOON

Enjoy some time with your kids and watch a movie while swimming at Liberty Lagoon during our extended hours. Grab your towels and one of our innertubes, then just sit back and relax with our movie night. Movies will be posted on our website: LibertyLagoon.com when final selections have been made.

LIBERTY LAGOON

June 2 + 16 + July 7 + 21 / 7:30-9:30 p.m.

General Admission Prices

Event limit: 200 participants

BREC'S LARGEST SWIM LESSON

BREC's Largest Swim Lesson, was created to build awareness about the fundamental importance of teaching children to swim to prevent drowning. Swimming is a life-saving skill for children and a vital tool to prevent drowning, the second leading cause of unintended, injury-related death for U.S. children ages 1-14.

LIBERTY LAGOON

June 30 / 8:30- 9:30 a.m.

Registration opens April 10

Event limit: 300 participants

SENIOR DAY

National Senior Citizens Day recognizes contributions senior citizens make in communities across the city of Baton Rouge. BREC would like to recognize them by rewarding them with private swim time.

LIBERTY LAGOON

Aug. 18 / 3-6 p.m.

Registration opens April 10

Event limit: 50 participants

END OF SUMMER DOG POOL PAWTY

Please join us for the End of Summer Pool Pawty at Liberty Lagoon. Please be advised that this is a dog-friendly event. Participants will encounter dogs in various conditions (i.e. wet, unleashed, etc.) For the safety of everyone and every dog, all participants must comply with the "Pool Pawty" rules that can be found at LibertyLagoon.com.

LIBERTY LAGOON

Sept. 16

Session 1: 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (dogs under 40 pounds)

Session 2: 1-3 p.m. (dogs over 40 pounds)

Session 3: 3:30-5:30 p.m. (All dogs)

Sept. 17

Session 1: 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (All dogs)

Event limit 100 dogs per session.

PROGRAMS

For the Summer of 2023, BREC will be the recipient of the American Red Cross Centennial Program. With this we will be able to serve the community with scholarships for swim lessons at our facilities. Space is limited and all programs are first-come, first-served.

To register: libertylagoon.com

More info: [225-923-3202](tel:225-923-3202)

libertylagoon@brec.org

BABY BUBBLERS

Parents and children learn together to increase a child's comfort level in the water and build a foundation of basic skills, such as arm and leg movements and breath control. This course is fun-filled and helps introduce water safety concepts, encouraging healthy recreational habits that your entire family can enjoy. You are welcome to come to as many classes as you would like.

LIBERTY LAGOON

June 1 + 8 + 15

Thursday / 9-9:30 a.m. (Please arrive by 8:50 a.m.)

Ages: 6 Months-3 years / \$5 per class

Register day of class

WATER EXPLORATION CLASS

This class teaches the beginning stages of swimming including blowing bubbles, leg kicks, submerged face, arm actions and water safety. Class is taught in water depth of 3'6".

LIBERTY LAGOON

Session 1: June 5-15 / Registration opens April 10

Session 2: June 19-29 / Registration opens April 24

Session 3: July 17-27 / Registration opens May 8

Monday - Thursday / 9-9:30 a.m. (eight classes)

Ages: 3-5

Session limit: 50 participants per session

LIBERTY LAGOON SWIM LESSONS

This class teaches more advanced stages of swimming such as leg kicks, arm strokes, swimming under water, front crawl, back crawl, diving, streamline swimming techniques and water safety. Class is taught in water depth of 3'6 or 8' depending on skill level. We do offer Adult Swim Lessons for additional information, please contact Liberty Lagoon.

LIBERTY LAGOON

Session 1: June 5-15 / Registration opens April 10
Session 2: June 19-29 / Registration opens April 24
Session 3: July 17-27 / Registration opens May 8
Monday-Thursday / 9-9:30 a.m. (eight classes)
\$60 per session

ADAPTIVE AQUATICS

These classes are for youth and adults ages 3 and up, with disabilities. These programs use instructors and volunteers to maintain low staff-to-participant ratios to better meet the needs of all. Students will focus on water exploration, water safety, breath control, leg kicks, and arm movements.

LIBERTY LAGOON

Session 1: July 11 / Registration Opens April 10
Session 2: July 12 / Registration Opens April 10
Session 3: July 13 / Registration Opens April 10
9-9:30 a.m. / one class / Ages: 3-Adults
Session limit: 5 participants

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

BADDIES WHO BRUNCH

They're back! And this time with two performances! Get your besties and baddies together to join our Baddies Who Brunch. High energy performances, amazing food and of course MIMOSAS! We hope that you join us and become part of the party! No refunds or exchanges!

INDEPENDENCE EVENT CENTER

June 10 + June 11
Doors: 10 a.m. / Show: 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Ages: Ages 16+
Tickets: \$35 (includes Table Seating + Brunch + Bottomless Mimosas)
More info:  independencetheatre.com

PROGRAMS

FIRST FREE SUNDAYS

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

MAGNOLIA MOUND

May 7 + June 4 + July 2 + Aug. 6
Regular operating hours
More info:  225-343-4955

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

July 7 + 8 / 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
General admission fees apply / Pass holders are free
More info:  225-757-8905  sguidry@brec.org

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

BREAKFAST WITH THE ANIMALS

Friends of the Zoo Director's Circle and Safari Club Members' Only.

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

May 6-7 / 8-9:30 a.m.

SWAMP BIRTHDAY PARTY

Happy Birthday to us! Happy Birthday to us! We'll be celebrating 26 years of connecting people to nature on Saturday, May 20. Join us to enjoy all-day fun including live animal encounters, crafts, games, and birthday cake while it lasts. Best of all, enjoy FREE ADMISSION!

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

May 20 / 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

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

GUEST APPRECIATION DAYS

We are celebrating our community by offering "Buy One, Get One" pricing on admission in the month of June. All visitors will be offered "buy one, get one" pricing on admission on the following special dates.

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

June 3-4 / Regular Zoo hours

RED, WHITE + ZOO DAY

Visit the Zoo and celebrate our red, white and blue animal friends. This special day will include Safari Amphitheatre programs, games and crafts featuring some of our red, white and blue Zoo animals.

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

July 1 / Regular Zoo hours
Regular Zoo admission applies

WONDERS OF WILDLIFE

Join us at Bluebonnet Swamp as we explore the wonders of our urban wildlife and learn how we can all get along. Did you find a baby bird or injured animal? Worried about the snakes in your backyard and how to keep raccoons out of your garbage can? Need some tips on how your pets and the wildlife in your backyard can coexist? Find out the answers to these questions and more! We will have educational presentations, games, live animals, trail activities, crafts and more so come on out for a great time at the Swamp!

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

Aug. 19 / 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Ages: 3-17 / \$4

Ages: 18+ / \$5

Registration is not required

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

PROGRAMS

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

May 2+9 / 2-4 p.m.

Ages: 6-10 (with accompanying adult)

\$20 per month (2 classes) per child EBR Parish residents

\$24 per session (2 classes) per child 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

9:30-11:30 a.m.

Ages: 2-5 (with accompanying adult)

May 3-11 / Wednesday or Thursday

\$20 per month (2 classes) per child EBR Parish residents

\$24 per session (2 classes) per child out-of-parish residents

May 6 / Saturday

\$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

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

May 6 / 9:30-11:30 a.m. / Ages: 6+ / \$5

To register: webtrac.brec.org

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

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

May 6 + June 3 + July 1 + Aug. 5 / 7-9 a.m.

General admission fees apply / Pass holders are free

More Info: 225-757-8905 sguidry@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.

CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK

May 9 / 5:45-7:15 p.m. / Ages: 6+

To register: webtrac.brec.org

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

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

May 12 + Aug. 11 / 5-9 p.m.

General admission fees apply / Pass holders are free
Registration required for Guided Hike (Ages 3+ / \$5)

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

START OF SUMMER NIGHT HIKE + 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 we 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.

ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK

May 12 / 7-9 p.m. / Ages: 6+ / \$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.

MANCHAC PARK

May 20 / 9:30-11:30 a.m. / Ages: 8+ / \$5

To register: webtrac.brec.org

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





TWILIGHT TOURS

BREC's Baton Rouge Zoo invites you to visit this summer for Twilight Tours every Tuesday and Thursday evening this June and July. Take a twilight tram ride through the Zoo in the cool of the evening. Enjoy a narrated ride through the Zoo, an animal encounter at the Wildlife Safari Theatre and an evening snack.

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

Tuesday + Thursday / June 1-July 27 / 6-7:30 p.m.

\$16 for adults and teens

\$13 for children ages 2-12

There is limited space available and pre-registration is required.

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

June 17 / 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

General admission fees apply / Pass holders are free

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

ZOO & ME MORNING

This program is designed for children accompanied by a parent or guardian. Every Zoo & Me Morning incorporates exciting activities including animal encounters, art projects, "Zoooper" snacks and many other hands-on projects that you and your child can enjoy together.

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

Aug. 8 / 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. / Ages: 3-5

\$18 per session for one child with one parent/guardian

\$12 for each additional person (adult or child)

Pre-registration and advanced payment is required.

To register: 📞 225-775-3877 x5

FACILITY INFO



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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

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:

April 22-May 21: Open Saturday + Sunday only
(Closed Mother's Day May 14)
May 27-July 30: Open Daily
July 31-Aug.4: NEW!!! / 3-7 p.m.
Aug. 5-Sept. 3: Open Saturday + Sunday
Sept. 22- Oct. 15: Surf & Slide / 3-6 p.m.

Hours of Operation:

Monday + Tuesday + Thursday
10 a.m.-2 p.m. / 3-7 p.m.
Wednesday: 3-7 p.m.
Friday-Sunday: 10 a.m.-2 p.m. / 3-7 p.m.
(The facility will be cleared 15 minutes prior to closing time)

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 2023 Operational Season: Monday-Thursday
Extreme Season Pass: \$100+tax
Valid for the 2023 Operational Season + Bonus over 48" re-
ceives 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:

May 27-July 30 / 2-5 p.m. daily

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

Locations:

CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK
1515 Dalrymple Drive

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

The Baton Rouge Zoo connects people with wildlife and the natural world through exceptionally engaging experiences and conservation efforts that impact our world both locally and globally.

 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 GEAUX 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/BRECONTHEGEAUX

 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 📍

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 📍

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 📍

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 📍

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 Bendalow 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 16-Aug. 27)

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 and six permanent
youth courts.
14024 Highland Road  225-766-0247

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
Features 11 outdoor courts, two indoor courts and two
separate hitting wall courts.
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
+ BEN BURGE PARK + 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 + ERICH AND LEA STERNBERG PARK +
GOODWOOD PARK + JEFFERSON TERRACE PARK +
LOVETT ROAD PARK + MANCHAC PARK + SANTA
MARIA PARK + SHARP ROAD PARK

RENTAL INFORMATION

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; the wild uniqueness of the Capital One Pavilion at BREC's Baton Rouge Zoo, 3601 Thomas Road; or the completely reimagined Jackson Community Park, 12250 Sullivan Rd. with universal playground and splash pad, sensory area and modern recreation center with meeting and event rooms. 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
- 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.



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.

 thewallsproject.org

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.

 batonrougegallery.org

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.

 brsoccer.org

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.

 bgcmetrolouisiana.org

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.

 caylbaseball.com

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.

 firstteebrp.org

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.

 frontyardbikes.com

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.

 gardereinitiative.org

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.

Knock Knock Children's Museum offers exciting and educational camps focused on arts and science that teach children through exciting, hands-on exploration and discovery. Each camp is taught by an expert instructor and includes unique learning experiences through fun, purposeful play.

 knockknockmuseum.org

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

 teamsportsplex.net



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exceptional parks + OPEN SPACES
+ **recreation experiences for**
all of East Baton Rouge Parish.