

CITY OF FALCON HEIGHTS
Regular Meeting of the Parks & Recreation Commission
City Hall
2077 West Larpenteur Avenue

AGENDA
April 5, 2021 at 6:30 P.M.

NOTE: THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD BY WEB CONFERENCE*

- A. CALL TO ORDER:
- B. ROLL CALL:
Eischen___ Bradbury___ Carlson___
Yager___ Curtin___ LaCasse___

COUNCIL LIAISON:
Andrews___

STAFF PRESENT:
Thammavongsa___
- C. PRESENTATION:
- D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
 - 1. Approval of March 1, 2020 Meeting Minutes
- E. AGENDA:
 - 1. Community Garden
 - a. Community Garden virtual class
 - b. Community Garden new plots construction
 - 2. Programming Updates
 - a. MN Twins Baseball Clinic
 - b. Safe City's Programming Survey results
 - c. Summer Programs Guide
- F. INFORMATION/ ANNOUNCEMENT
- G. ADJOURNMENT:

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COUNCIL LIAISON:

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STAFF LIAISON:

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Thammavongsa__X_

C. PRESENTATION:

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Approval of February 1, 2021 minutes.

Carlson 1st Motion
Bradbury 2nd Motion
Motion Passed

E. AGENDA:

1. 2021 City's Programing

- Safe City Programming survey results showed 80% positive responses on participating in Summer Programming.
- Rec on the Go is going on 2nd of 3 years (last year cancelled due to the pandemic) and the MN Twins Baseball camp being rescheduled for this summer at the Community Park (TBD). Both events were awarded \$1,400 through the 2020 Good Neighbor Grant and must be used by June 30.

2. Updates on Community Park Building

- Our Parks and Recreation Commission member for Falcon Heights began reaching out to neighbors and 3 Facebook groups (Falcon Heights Neighbors, Northhome Neighbors, Salsa Friday) and 1 Neighborhood Liaison ListServ. The results showed 20 total responses with most expressing dissatisfaction with the city for allowing the current structure to fall in the current state of repair and closure. Other responses offered suggested ideas for rebuilding, chiefly modeling a new structure off of specific building in the City of Roseville.

- Discuss on getting a tour of the Roseville's facilities. (TBD)
- City of Falcon Heights is pursuing a \$1-1.5 million rebuild of the permanent structure at the Community Park.
- List of activities supported by a permanent or all-season structure of Community Park: Parks & Recreation programming (classes for children and adults), warming house for ice skating rink, community events and family gathering space (e.g. Ice Cream Social, Winterfest, book clubs, Lions Club, non-profit meetings/retreat, 5K run, Scouts, church events, graduation parties, wedding/anniversary receptions, birthday parties).

F. INFORMATION/ANNOUNCEMENT

G. ADJOURNMENT: 7:15PM

Carlson 1st Motion
Bradbury 2nd Motion
Motion Passed



ITEM FOR DISCUSSION

Meeting Date	April 5, 2021
Agenda Item	E1
Attachment	See Below
Submitted By	Vandara Thammavongsa, Staff

Item	a. Community Garden virtual class will be on April 1st at 7PM. The class is free to everyone and online. The UofM Ramsey County Master Gardener volunteers will be running the class. They will be able to answer questions regarding seasoned crops, composting and various other topics. b. Hansen Bros. Fence Company will be putting up the fencing first then Public Works can start preparing and completing on the 9 new plots at the Community Garden depending on the weather.
Description	N/A
Budget Impact	N/A
Attachment(s)	Community Garden virtual class flyer
Action(s) Requested	N/A

INTRODUCTORY VEGETABLE GARDENING CLASS



April 1, 2021
7:00PM-8:30PM
Virtual Class

Come and learn about the basics
of growing vegetables. Ask U of M Ramsey County
Master Gardeners questions and share
gardening tips. FREE and Open to everyone. ONLINE – Join us from the comfort of your home



Co-Sponsored by the City of Falcon Heights & University Master Gardeners

Led by the University of Minnesota Master Gardener Volunteers

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Registration Link: <https://forms.gle/EwwCt8QpP8E1j2dD8>

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Falcon Heights City
Hall, 651-792-7600, or mail@falconheights.org



ITEM FOR DISCUSSION

Meeting Date	April 5, 2021
Agenda Item	E2
Attachment	See Below
Submitted By	Vandara Thammavongsa, Staff

Item	a. The MN Twins Baseball Clinic will be on Saturday, August 14th. There are 2 sessions. The first session is at 9AM and the second session is at 10:30AM. b. The Safe City's programming survey results showed that residents are more comfortable participating if the programs are outdoor only and limited number of participates. c. Summer programming guide is out and registration will begin on March 29th.
Description	N/A
Budget Impact	N/A
Attachment(s)	1. MN Twins Baseball Clinic flyer 2. Safe City's Programming Survey results 3. Summer Programs Guide
Action(s) Requested	N/A

THE MINNESOTA TWINS PRESENT:

YOUTH BASEBALL CLINIC

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 14, 2021 @
FALCON HEIGHTS COMMUNITY PARK**

**Ages 6-9: Session 1 @ 9:00 am
Ages 10-12: Session 2 @ 10:30 am**

**This is a free event.
All kids ages 6-12 are welcome!
Please bring a glove; other equipment
will be provided.**

**Register online:
www.playballmn.com**



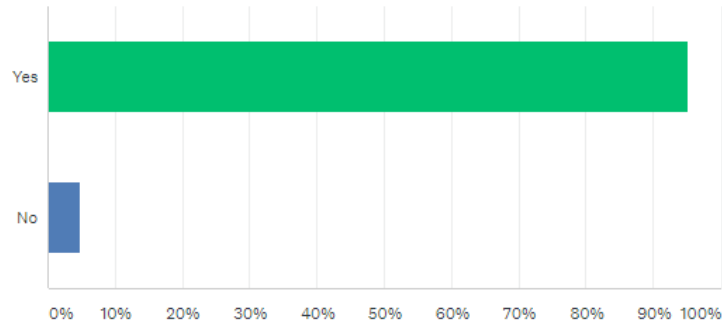
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Are you a Falcon Heights resident?

Answered: 21 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
▼ Yes	95.24%	20
▼ No	4.76%	1
TOTAL		21

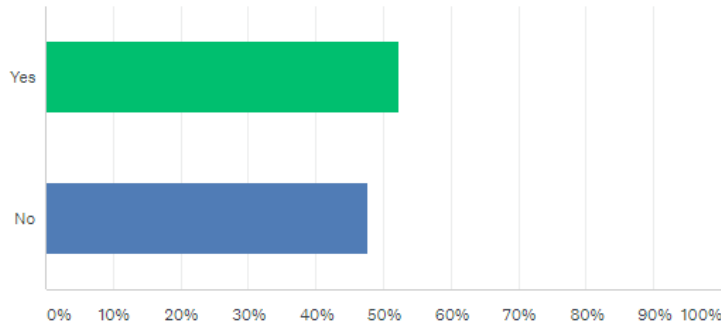
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Have you or your children participated in Falcon Heights Parks & Recreation programming in the past?

Answered: 21 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
▼ Yes	52.38%	11
▼ No	47.62%	10
TOTAL		21

Q3

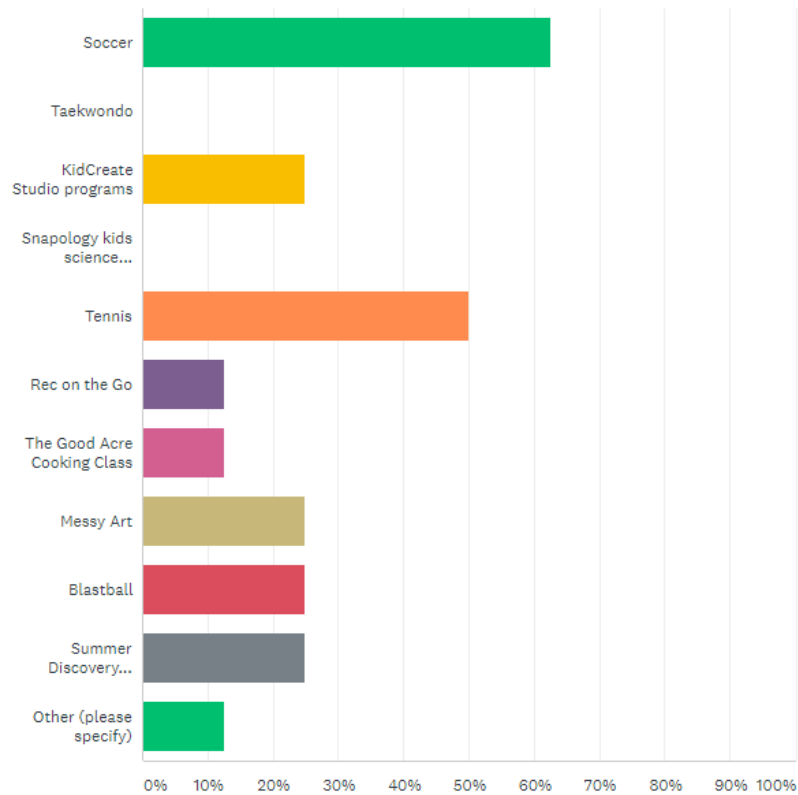


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What programs did you/your kids participate in? (check all that apply)

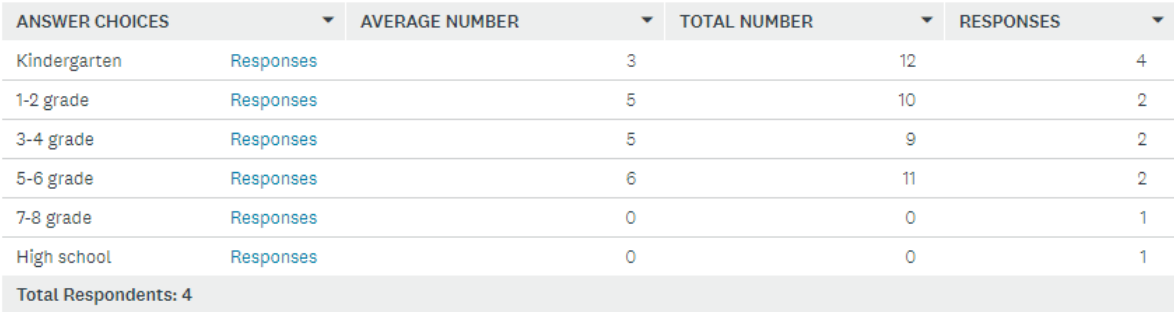
Answered: 8 Skipped: 13



ANSWER CHOICES ▼	RESPONSES ▼
▼ Soccer	62.50% 5
▼ Taekwondo	0.00% 0
▼ KidCreate Studio programs	25.00% 2
▼ Snapology kids science programs	0.00% 0
▼ Tennis	50.00% 4
▼ Rec on the Go	12.50% 1
▼ The Good Acre Cooking Class	12.50% 1
▼ Messy Art	25.00% 2
▼ Blastball	25.00% 2
▼ Summer Discovery Playground	25.00% 2
▼ Other (please specify) Responses	12.50% 1
Total Respondents: 8	

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Answered: 4 Skipped: 17



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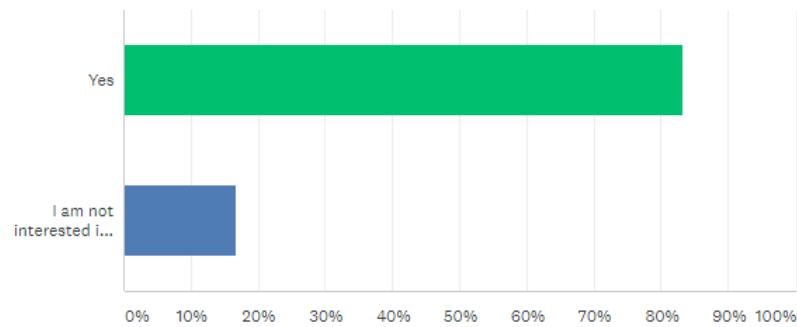


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Would you consider participating in Falcon Heights Parks & Recreation programming this year, with COVID-19 precautions in place (mandatory face masks, physical distancing, contact tracing, etc.)

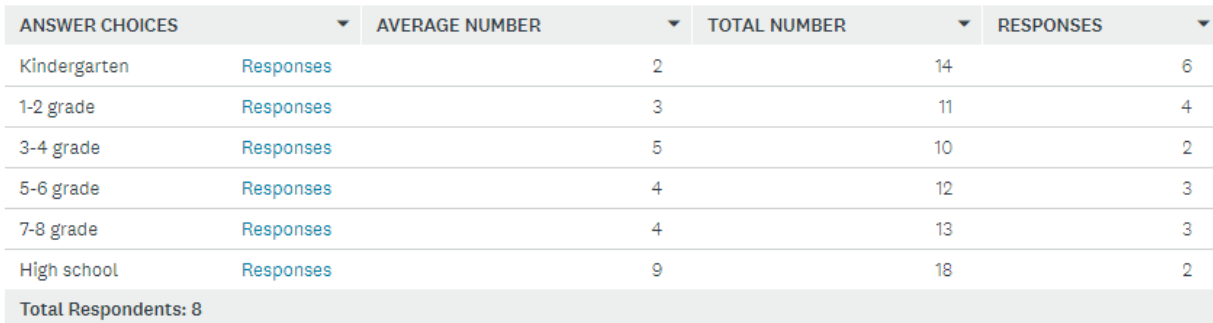
Answered: 6 Skipped: 15



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	83.33%	5
I am not interested in participating in programming under any circumstances.	16.67%	1
TOTAL		6

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Answered: 8 Skipped: 13



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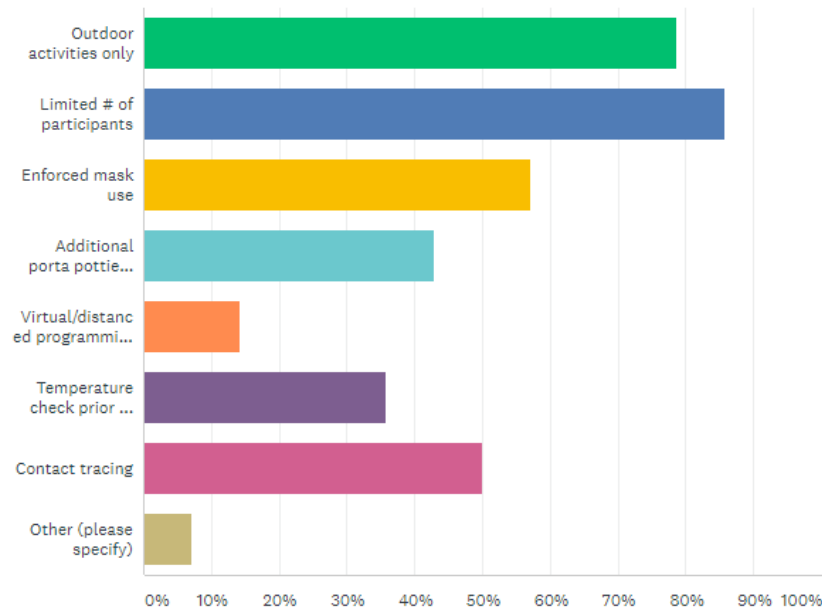


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What would make you feel comfortable participating?

Answered: 14 Skipped: 7



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Outdoor activities only	78.57%	11
Limited # of participants	85.71%	12
Enforced mask use	57.14%	8
Additional porta potties, mobile hand washing stations	42.86%	6
Virtual/distanced programming only (via Zoom, etc.)	14.29%	2
Temperature check prior to program	35.71%	5
Contact tracing	50.00%	7
Other (please specify)	Responses 7.14%	1
Total Respondents: 14		

Q8

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What types of programming would you like to see for 2021 or in the future?

Answered: 9 Skipped: 12

RESPONSES (9)

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yoga and/or tai chi for adults

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kid program outdoor

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I could see many creative opportunities offered. Virtual, virtual and in-person combined, do activities at home and report back virtually, virtual storytelling, arts, etc.

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Book Club meeting in the City Hall

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Programs for my 2 year old too!

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Outdoor learning & active programs

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Zumba Walking & biking clubs where people can log their miles

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sports and arts classes

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tennis, basketball, track & field, crafting projects for charity, open to others...

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Q9



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Additional Comments:

Answered: 1 Skipped: 20

RESPONSES (1) WORD CLOUD TAGS (0)

 Sentiments: OFF ☐

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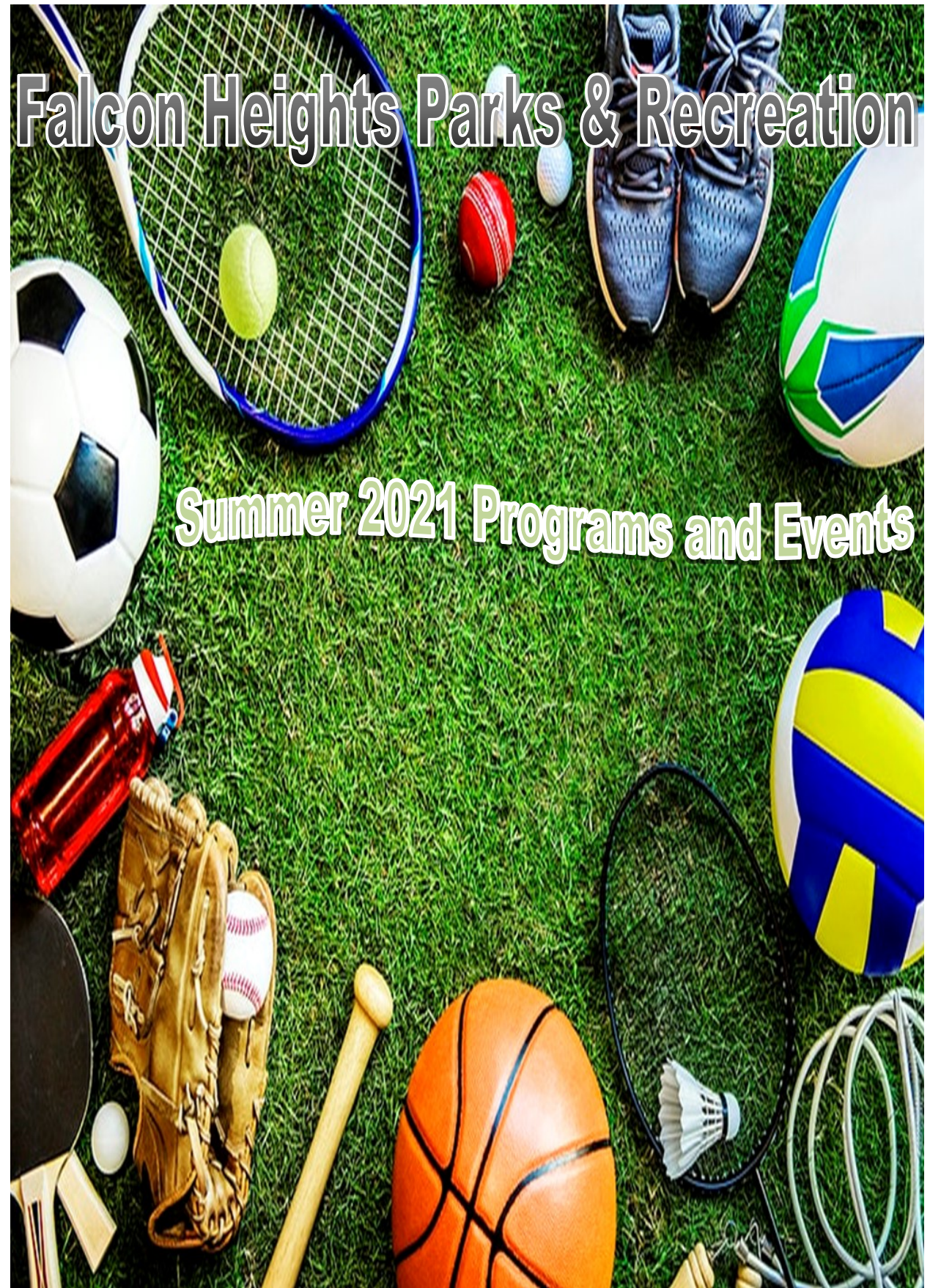
We haven't participated in the past because either the dates conflicted with our annual month out of town or there weren't offerings for my kids' ages. It would be nice if there were different sessions one could pick from (e.g., 2 sessions: June through mid-July & mid-July through August; or 3 sessions: June, July, & August; or maybe even shorter one- or two-week sessions like some pools have for swimming lessons. It would also be nice to have more options for older jr. high and high school kids. I realize it might be hard to find enough instructors, though.

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Falcon Heights Parks & Recreation

Summer 2021 Programs and Events



Registration begins March 29!

Registration Information

★ How to Register ★

- 1. **Online** - www.falconheights.org -> Residents -> Parks and Recreation
- 2. **Mail to City Hall:** 2077 W. Larpenteur Ave., Falcon Heights, MN 55113
- 3. **Fax:** 651-792-7610
- 4. **Email** the form to mail@falconheights.org, subject "Summer Programs". Printable form can be found at www.falconheights.org -> Residents -> Parks and Recreation

If you have any questions, please call City Hall 651-792-7600

Registration Information

Pre-registration is required for all recreation programs. Registration can be completed online or by completing the registration page in this guide. The **deadline for registration is June 10, 2021**. All registrations received after that time will be charged a late fee of \$5.00 and are subject to course availability. Programs are subject to cancellation in the event of insufficient enrollment. If necessary, cancellation notifications will be sent in the beginning of June. For any questions, please call City Hall at 651-792-7600.

Register Online (www.falconheights.org -> Residents -> Parks and Recreation)

Online registration begins on Monday, March 29, 2021. Online payment must be completed through Paypal. Once programs are selected they will be automatically totaled at the bottom of the page. If the web page does not lead you to the Paypal page, your registration information will not be sent to staff. You will receive a confirmation email from staff once your registration has been processed. If you have any questions about the registration process please call City Hall at 651-792-7600.

Waiting List

Parks and Recreation staff will accept your child's name and phone number to add to the waiting list for any class that is full. You will be contacted if we can accept your child into a program.

Scholarships

Scholarships are available to Falcon Heights residents who are in need and who qualify. Scholarships are up to half off course costs. Contact the Falcon Heights City Hall directly if you have questions. Scholarships are offered on a first come, first serve basis.

WEATHER HOTLINE: 651.792.7607

Falcon Heights Parks & Recreation programs may be canceled when dangerous weather conditions are reported in the area. Call the Weather Hotline 15 minutes prior to your class time to confirm cancellations via a recorded message. Notifications will also be posted on the City Facebook Page.

PLAYGROUND/MESSY ART



Summer Discovery Playground

Come join your friends and our friendly staff twice a week for tons of fun activities at our parks this summer! Participants will engage in fun games, crafts and other themed activities. Groups will be separated by age for some activities, if appropriate. Participants must be four years old before the program starts. This is our most popular neighborhood camp, so sign-up early!

Parents please sign in/out each day. Parents have the option to drop off your child at a later time if given prior approval from the head staff leader.

Please bring a nut free snack, water bottle, sunscreen and dress your child according to the weather.

NEW THIS YEAR: After our 6 week program has ended the fun will continue. Participants can sign up for weeks 7 and 8 separately at an additional low cost. Register by July 13.

6 WEEK PROGRAM

Age	Day	Date	Time	Cost	Location
4-12 yrs.	M & W	June 21-July 28	12:30PM-4:45PM	\$155	Community Park

Age	Day	Date	Time	Cost	Location
4-12 yrs.	M & W	July 26, July 28	12:30PM-4:30PM	\$27	Community Park
4-12 yrs.	M & W	Aug 2, Aug 4	12:30PM-4:30PM	\$27	Community Park



ADDITIONAL WEEKS

Messy Art

Come explore the marvelously messy world of art where little artists can squish, shape, blend, bend, mix, move, color and create. Your children will find artistic inspiration in nature while experiencing the art world through their senses.

Age	Day	Date	Time	Cost	Location
4-8 yrs.	M	June 28 – Aug 2	11:00AM-11:45AM	\$47	Community Park
4-8 yrs.	W	June 30- Aug 4	11:00AM-11:45AM	\$47	Community Park





Mark your calendars for the Falcon Height’s **FREE** program; **REC on the GO!** Offered this summer are morning and evening sessions. Parks & Rec staff will host games, crafts and activities at Curtiss Field! We are bringing park programming to you! All ages are welcome and each week will have a theme. Check-in will be required but these events are free! We hope to see you there!



Age	Day	Date	Time	Cost	Location
All	T	June 22	9:00AM-11:00AM	FREE	Curtiss Field
All	T	June 29	6:00PM-8:00PM	FREE	Curtiss Field
All	T	July 6	9:00AM-11:00AM	FREE	Curtiss Field
All	T	July 13	6:00PM-8:00PM	FREE	Curtiss Field
All	T	July 20	9:00AM-11:00AM	FREE	Curtiss Field
All	T	July 27	6:00PM-8:00PM	FREE	Curtiss Field



Description of Kidcreate Studio®
Kidcreate Studio’s award-winning art classes allow kids to explore art in an environment full of giggles and grins. Kids create fridge worthy masterpieces while learning art concepts and experimenting with different art materials. The curriculum is age-appropriate and designed to inspire. Classes provide a fun, self-esteem building atmosphere full of “I did it” moments. Making a mess is the best with Kidcreate Studio!

Kidcreate Studio® Parent and Me Messy Time - 1 Day Class

What parent wouldn’t love to have a messy good time with their child? Parent(s) will create right along with their child in this popular class. We know your child will be eager to explore our 4 messy stations. We’ll get gooey with gunk, play with clay, and more. Making a mess is the best! Come ready to get messy while you play right along with your child. Children must be accompanied by a caregiver.

Age	Day	Date	Time	Cost	Location
18 mo.-6 yrs.	TH	June 24	9:30-10:30AM	\$15	Community Park

Kidcreate Studio® Our Littlest Fan’s Favorites Art Camp - 2 Day Class

This camp is packed full of fan favorites! From paper mache bowls, projects that glow-in-the-dark, and messy clay masterpieces, these are the Kidcreate projects our littlest students love the most! All of them put together in one very popular camp. This is the stuff the kids can’t get enough of and guaranteed to be an artsy good time!

Age	Day	Date	Time	Cost	Location
3-6 yrs.	W	June 23, 30	9:30-11:30AM	\$56	Community Park

Kidcreate Studio® Mega Mess Making - 3 Day Class

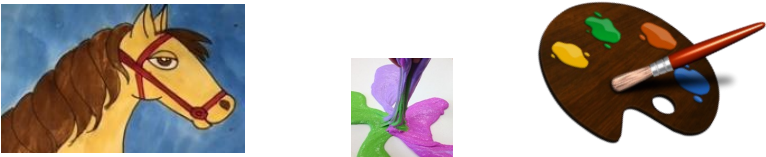
We’ll paint with plaster, tie-dye, make papier mache birds and fling paint like Jackson Pollock. We will even learn some art terms along the way. These are not projects to tackle at home- leave the mess with us. After all, art can be a mega messy good time!

Age	Day	Date	Time	Cost	Location
4-9 yrs.	T	June 22, 29-July 6	9:30-11:30AM	\$76	Community Park

Kidcreate Studio® The How To’s of Drawing Camp - 4 Day Class

Does your young artist love to draw? This introductory drawing camp teaches kids the basic techniques and principles of drawing. We’ll encourage creativity and imagination while experimenting with a variety of drawing materials and techniques. The kids will even receive their own sketchbook that they will get to keep and draw in throughout the camp! In Kidcreate’s fun and supportive environment, your young artist will be eager to get drawing!

Age	Day	Date	Time	Cost	Location
5-12 yrs.	M	June 21-July 19	9:30-11:30AM	\$88	Community Park



The City of Falcon Heights was granted the Target Soccer grant in 2018. In an effort to promote our city’s Parks & Rec soccer program, these funds will be used to offer scholarships for families that register more than one child in soccer programming.

If registering more than one child for a soccer program, please call City Hall to be eligible for no – cost registration for second child participant. Registration will be reflected on lesser or equal valued program. Scholarship is based on first come, first serve basis.

Mini Soccer with Parents

Mini Soccer provides an introduction into the basics of soccer. Kids will learn basic skills like passing, shooting, and dribbling through fun games and drills. Parents will have the opportunity to assist their kids with games and drills during classes. Classes are kept small to provide as much individual attention as possible.

Age	Day	Date	Time	Cost	Location
3-5 yrs.	M	June 21-July 26	5:00PM-5:45PM	\$35	Community Park
3-5 yrs.	W	June 23– July 28	11:00AM-11:45AM	\$35	Curtiss Field
3-5 yrs.	TH	June 24-July 29	6:00PM-6:45PM	\$35	Curtiss Field

Super Soccer

Program is designed for participants regardless of their skills/abilities. Learn dribbling, passing, and shooting through fun, interactive drills and scrimmages with an emphasis on having fun and teamwork!

Age	Day	Date	Time	Cost	Location
5-7 yrs.	M & W	June 21-July 28	6:00PM-6:50PM	\$53	Community Park
5-7 yrs.	T & TH	June 22– July 29	5:00PM– 5:50PM	\$53	Curtiss Field

Blast ball

Blast ball is a great introduction to a bat and ball sport. Blast ball concentrates on offensive play by using a larger foam ball and bat with the tee, creating a greater connection with every swing. With a sound-making first base, children won’t forget to run to first base after they hit! Blast ball teaches all five basic fundamentals: hitting, throwing, catching, running and fielding.

Classes must meet minimum of 6 participants to avoid cancellation.

Age	Day	Date	Time	Cost	Location
3-5 yrs.	T	June 22-July 27	5:00PM-5:45PM	\$38	Community Park
3-5 yrs.	W	June 23– July28	5:00PM– 5:45PM	\$38	Community Park



Falcon Heights Parks & Recreation once again teams up with USTA! Our Parks & Rec Department has joined with the United States Tennis Association to create curriculum designed for youth and adults. Whether you are a beginner or an intermediate player with experience, our courses are designed to learn skills, play games and understand the fundamentals of the game all while being age appropriate.

Age	Day	Date	Time	Cost	Location
5-7 yrs.	M&W	June 21-July 28	5:00PM-5:50PM	\$57	Community Park
7-9 yrs.	M&W	June 21– July 28	6:00AM-6:50AM	\$57	Community Park
10-13 yrs.	M&W	June 21-July 28	7:00PM-7:50PM	\$57	Community Park

