

To: Park Board

From: Aimee Peterson, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director

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Subject: March Newsworthy

Spring/Summer Activity Guide

The 2023 Spring/Summer Activity guide is now available.

273 spring programs and 465 summer programs are all set up to open for registration the week of March 21.

Central Park Summer Group Permits

To manage the number of large bus and small van groups coming to Central Park over the summer months, group permits are required. Permits are available May 1 to September 1, Monday through Friday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. To make this process efficient for group coordinators bus permits are available to purchase online.

2023 Approved Group Permit Rates

Bus/large group permit fee

- Max 50 people per group fee
- \$75 residents
- \$125 non-residents
- Max two bus/large group permits a day

Van/small group permit fee

- Max 15 people per group fee
- \$25 residents
- \$50 non-residents
- Max two van/small group permits a day

Staff have sent out over 120 letters to communicate the process to group leaders and will continue to educate and sell permits onsite if space allows. To date, 24 large group permits have been purchased for the summer of 2023, and all have been non-resident groups.

Upcoming City-Sponsored Events:

Rock Your Socks - for Down Syndrome Awareness (new)

Tuesday, March 21

Community Center – Lobby

All ages

Free, no registration necessary

Spring Turkey Egg Hunt (new)

Friday, April 7 (District 279 Non School Day)

Weaver Lake Park - Lower

Ages 3 to 10

Free, pre-registration is required

Tails and Ales (new)

Saturday, June 3

2 to 6 p.m.

Central Park of Maple Grove

All ages

Free, no pre-registration required