

Morton Park District

Administration Office

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Office Hours

Monday through Friday

8:30am-Noon and 1:00-5:00pm

Board Meetings

1st Tuesday of each month 5:30pm

at Freedom Hall Public Welcome

Office Closed

New Year's Day Martin Luther King, Jr. Day President's Day

Good Friday

July 4th Labor Day Thanksgiving Christmas

Memorial Day

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From the Director

We are looking forward to a great 2025 as we continue to develop and improve your parks, facilities, and recreation programs throughout the District. We would like to extend a sincere thank you to all of our MPD Residents for coming out and enjoying the parks, facilities, and programs that our staff work so hard to provide. The variety of ways our open spaces improve the quality of life for our residents is undeniable, and the benefits of recreation are endless. We truly love seeing you and your families throughout the Park System, and we appreciate your continued support as we continue to offer Clean, Safe, Family-friendly parks, facilities, and programs to our Morton Community.

Joel Dickerson, Executive Director Morton Park District



Parks

Bike Trail

811 W. Jackson St.

- 3-Miles of Paved Trails

Birchwood Park

349 W. Birchwood St.

- 18-Acres
- Freedom Hall
- Administrative Office
- 4-Field Softball Complex
- 6-Court Pickleball Complex
 - Playground

McClallen Park

401 N. Tennessee Ave.

- 40-Acres
- Outdoor Soccer Complex
 - Playground
 - Concessions
 - Restrooms

Southwood Park

500 S. Nebraska Ave.

- 23-Acres
- 4-Field Football Complex
 - Playground
 - Restrooms
 - Concessions
- 2-Court Tennis Complex

Monarch Park

614 E. Jefferson St.

- 1-Acre
- Educational Pollinator Park

Ulrich Wildlife Preserve

100 Turtle Creek Trail

- 72.5-Acres

- 32.5-AcresHiking/Biking

Trails

Idlewood Park

451 E. Idlewood St.

- 10-Acres
- Morton Pool
- Phil & Barbara Kuhl Arts

Pavilion

- Community Playground
- 2 Park Shelters w/ grills
 - Small Playground
 - Restrooms
 - Concessions

Northwood Disc Golf Park

22216 N. Main St.

- 119-Acres
- NW Park Disc Golf Courses
 - Park Shelter
 - Restrooms
 - Sledding Hill

Westwood Park

2031 Veterans Rd.

- 48-Acres
- 8-Field Baseball Complex
- Megiddo Disc Golf Course
 - Brenkman Memorial Batting Facility
 - Restrooms
 - Concessions
- MPD Maintenance Facility

Lakewood Park

101 W. Ashland St.

- 13.5- Acres
- 1/2 mile walking trail
 - Fishing Lake

Oakwood Park

222101 N. Main St.

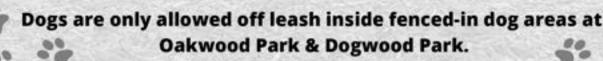
- 17-Acres
- Park Shelters
- 3-Acre, Oakwood Dog Park
 - Playground
 - Restrooms
 - Bonfire Areas

Dogwood Park

420 E. Washington

Coming soon

Dogs are ONLY allowed at the following parks: Northwood, Lakewood, Ulrich, Oakwood & the Bike Trail. Dogs in these parks MUST be on a leash.



Facilities

MPD Administrative Office

349 W. Birchwood St. 309-263-7429 Info@mortonparkdistrict.com Hours: Mon. – Fri.

8:30am-12:00pm & 1:00pm-5:00pm

Phil & Barbara Kuhl Arts Pavilion

1201 Parkside Ave. Concerts In The Park / Movies In The Park 309-263-7429 info@mortonparkdistrict.com

Brenkman Memorial Batting Facility

2005 Veterans Rd. Facility Information mortonyouthbaseball.org

MPD Maintenance Facility

2003 Veterans Rd. bwhochstettler@mortonparkdistrict.com

Freedom Hall

349 W. Birchwood St. Facility Rental Information 309-263-7429 info@mortonparkdistrict.com

The Barn at Bull Run Park

1020 E. Jackson St.

Facility Rental Information 309-263-7429 ext. 6 barnrentals@mortonparkdistrict.com

Senior Programming Information seniorprograms@mortonparkdistrict.com (309) 868-5742

Morton Pool

451 E. Idlewood St. 309-369-2463 info@mortonparkdistrict.com

Recreation Center

324 S. Detroit Ave. Facility Rental Information hlolden@mortonparkdistrict.com

REGISTRATION INFORMATION



Online and Walk-in Monday, April 28 www.mortonparkdistrict.com

General Information

- Both online and walk-in registration will be available beginning April 28 and continuing through the remainder of the summer.
- All registration is on a first-come, firstserve basis and will continue as long as openings exist.
- When programs are filled, waiting lists will be started, and an attempt will be made to create additional classes when possible.
- Telephone registration will NOT be accepted.
- A \$25 service charge will be assessed for any checks returned by the bank.
- To insure the safety of children, we ask you to drop-off and pick up your child (ren) promptly when classes are over.
- The Park District reserves the right to cancel, postpone, or modify programs and activities.
- The Morton Park District does NOT provide individual accident and health insurance to program participants.

PROGRAM FEES: The program fees quoted in the brochure apply to Morton Park District residents only. NON-RESIDENTS MUST PAY DOUBLE THE RESIDENT FEE unless otherwise stated.

FAMILY REGISTRATION RATES: In programs in which 3 or more family members (of the same household) are registered in the same class at the same time, the first 2 children pay full price and the 3rd and each additional family member receives a 50% discount, unless otherwise stated.

REFUND POLICY: Unless stated otherwise, a 50% refund shall be granted if the refund request is received at least five business days before the program begins. NO credits/refunds will be given after the program begins. Full refunds will only be available in the case of program cancellations, medical emergencies, or family relocation. Please allow up to two weeks for the processing of refunds.

ONLINE REGISTRATION

The Park District is excited to be able to offer online program registration for all of our summer activities! You can register your family by going to our website: mortonparkdistrict.com. Just follow the directions below, set up your profile, and get pre-approved. You will need to set up your profile and be pre-approved before you can register for **any** program.

We will start taking online registration for ALL SUMMER PROGRAMS on Monday, April 28. The system will not let you register before this date. MasterCard, Visa, Discover and debit cards are accepted **online only**.

Payment in the office is cash or check only. If you have any questions or need help with the registration process, please call the park district office at (309) 263-7429, email info@mortonparkdistrict.com, or come in and we can help set up your account.

Create A Household Profile

Household profile must be created in order to register for programs

 Click on the LOG-IN button on the righthand side to begin the process of creating your household profile. Click on the blue "Create New Account" button. You can also click on the "HELP" tab for further instructions.



- 2. Fill out all fields and click Submit to complete the profile setup process.
- 3. Be sure to add every member in your household (parents/guardians & children) when setting up your profile. New family members can be added by going to your profile page and clicking the Add Household Member link.
- 4. Once your profile has been approved, you will select the program you want to register for. Make sure the program participant is selected.

FAMILY FUN NIGHTS

The Morton Park District will be offering two Family Pool Party nights at the Morton Pool. Bring your crew for a fun, family night at the Morton Pool. Then join us after for a free movie across the park at the Arts Pavilion!

DATES:

Friday, June 13 from 6:30-8pm Friday, July 25 from 6:30-8pm

COST:

\$10 per family (must live in same household)

Entry limited to first 500 people through the gate

The Morton Park District will be offering two **FREE MOVIES IN THE PARK**. Bring a blanket, lawn chairs, and your favorite snacks and enjoy an evening at the movies with your family and friends.

Friday, June 13 8:30pm @ Idlewood *Moana 2*



Friday, July 25 8:30pm @ Idlewood *Despicable Me 4*



Swimming Pool

PUBLIC SWIMMING

The Morton Park District operates the municipal swimming pool located at Idlewood Park, 451 E. Idlewood. The Morton Pool opens on Saturday, May 24 through Sunday, August 10. Any child in diapers is required to wear a swim diaper in the pool. Children 10 and under must be accompanied by a person 16 years or older.

Public Pool Hours: 1-6pm Daily Cost of Entry:

\$12.00 per person 65 and older are free

Children 1 and under are free

The pool **will not** open if the temperature does not reach 70° at the time of opening. The pool **will not** open during inclement weather.

The pool will close due to electrical storms or low attendance.

Only Coast Guard approved life jackets are allowed in the pool.

No coolers or food may be brought in during public swim hours.

The pool will be closing at 4pm on the following days for Swim Meets & Special Events:

June 3, 10, 17, 24 and July 3, 4, 8, 15

COUPON BOOKS Cost: \$30 per book Coupons do not expire

The Morton Park District offers daily admission discount coupon books for park district residents <u>only</u>. The coupon books have 10 admission coupons and may be used during any public swim time throughout the summer. Coupon books are available at the park office located on 349 W. Birchwood Monday-Friday from 8:30-Noon and 1-5pm and at the Morton Pool during open swim hours.

ID required to purchase. *Cash or check only* NO CREDIT CARDS

MORTON PARK DISTRICT

2025 POOL SEASON PASS

\$60 resident individual \$120 non-resident individual

Pool passes may be used during
Open Swim Hours
Daily 1pm-6pm

Two Ways to purchase your 2025 Pool Season Pass:

- 1- Online starting April 28: Upload a picture for your pass and they will be available to pick up in the office or at the pool the <u>next business day</u>.
- 2- At the Park District Office starting May 1: Stop by during regular office hours

 (Mon-Fri 8:30am-Noon and 1:00-5:00pm) Cash or Check ONLY

Season pass holders must have their physical pass in hand to gain entry to the pool. No Exceptions.

- Children 10 & under must be accompanied by a person 16 or over
- A \$5.00 fee will be assessed for lost passes.
- Any misuse of a pass will result in the revocation of the pass and forfeiture of the pass fee.
- · Pass is not transferable.
- No Refunds on Pool Passes

Only Coast Guard approved life jackets are allowed in the pool.

No coolers or food may be brought in during public swim hours.

Private Group Rentals

The Morton Pool is available for private group rentals.

Pool rental reservations will be available beginning **Thursday, May 1**.

Pool rental reservations can <u>ONLY</u> be made in person at the park district office.

<u>Payment in full must be made at the time of reservation.</u>

Cash or check ONLY, separate \$50 deposit required

Group Rental Time Days of the week available for group rentals

6:30-8pm Sun, Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri, Sat (No Wednesday rentals)

<100 people 100-199 people 200-500 people \$450 \$550 \$650

PRIVATE POOL PARTY FAQ's and HELPUL INFORMATION

- May we bring in food, drink, cake etc.?
 YES, you may bring in any outside food or beverage, as long as there is no alcohol or glass containers.
- Are there electrical outlets and tables to use?
 YES, there are several electrical outlets for use. Additionally, there is the standard pool furniture available for your party.
- Can we decorate for the party?
 YES, please feel free to bring in tablecloths, streamers and table decorations. All decorations must be removed at the end of the rental.
- Are pool floats and games allowed? YES, pool toys are allowed at THE DISCRETION OF THE LIFEGUARDS. Games and large floats that interfere with the vision / sightline of a guard will not be allowed.
- May we enter early to setup for our party?
 No, setup may not take place until the rental period begins.
- What is not allowed at the pool?
 For the safety and enjoyment of all in attendance, we do not allow alcohol, smoking, glass containers, cut-off or denim shorts for swimming, portable BBQ grills or tiki torches.

Toddler Time

The zero-depth wading pool with aquatic playground will be open for a Toddler Time swim Monday-Saturday from 10:15am-12:30pm. The program is open to children 0-5 years of age accompanied by an adult 16 years or older.

June 2 - August 9

\$2 per participant

(all ages, including adults)

Cash or Check only

Monday - Saturday: 10:15am-12:30pm



FEE FOR THE PROGRAM IS \$2 PER PARTICIPANT INCLUDING ADULTS.

Previous pool coupons may be used for entry into tot time. Season passes are NOT accepted for entry into tot time.

PARENT & TOT SWIM CLASS

Kids ages 1-3



Enjoy a 4-week class for children 1-3 years of age and a parent and/or adult where the instructor will introduce you and your child to the water without fear. Play activities are used to make the program fun while teaching basic water skills to your child. Parents are required to be in the water with your child. Children do not have to be potty-trained but are required to wear a swim diaper. This is not a learn-to-swim program, nor is it designed to make children this age water safe. Limited enrollment. Instructor: Lydia Roseboom

#100 Ages 1-3 Wednesdays June 4-25 6:15-7pm \$45 Resident **#100-1** Ages 1-3 Wednesdays July 9-30 6:15-7pm \$45 Resident

Swimming Lessons

Kids ages 4 & up



The Morton Park District offers a learn-to-swim program open to participants 4 years of age and older and at least 3 ½ feet tall. No experience is necessary, but students should be receptive to instruction and water. Each student will be tested on the first day of each session for placement in our modified station method that allows them to advance at their own rate of progress. Participants will receive a progress card upon completion of required skills. On days of inclement weather, the instructors will teach a water safety class. For weather related updates, call 309-263-7429 or check Facebook.

Morning Lessons:

We offer four, 2-week sessions (Monday -Thursday) for 30 minutes.

#101	10:1E 10:4Eam	
#101	10:15-10:45am	\$50 Resident/\$100 Non-Resident
#102	10:50-11:20am	\$50 Resident/\$100 Non-Resident

#103 11:25-11:55am \$50 Resident/\$100 Non-Resident #104 12:00-12:30pm \$50 Resident/\$100 Non-Resident

Session 2: (June 16-26, Monday-Thursday)

Session 1: (June 2-12, Monday-Thursday)

#105	10:15-10:45am	\$50 Resident/\$100 Non-Resident
#106	10:50-11:20am	\$50 Resident/\$100 Non-Resident
#107	11:25-11:55am	\$50 Resident/\$100 Non-Resident
#108	12:00-12:30pm	\$50 Resident/\$100 Non-Resident

Session 3: (July 7-17, Monday-Thursday)

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#109	10:15-10:45am	\$50 Resident/\$100 Non-Resident
#110	10:50-11:20am	\$50 Resident/\$100 Non-Resident
#111	11:25-11:55am	\$50 Resident/\$100 Non-Resident
#112	12:00-12:30pm	\$50 Resident/\$100 Non-Resident

Session 4: (July 21-31, Monday-Thursday)

#113	10:15-10:45am	\$50 Resident/\$100 Non-Resident
#114	10:50-11:20am	\$50 Resident/\$100 Non-Resident
#115	11:25-11:55am	\$50 Resident/\$100 Non-Resident
#116	12:00-12:30pm	\$50 Resident/\$100 Non-Resident

MORTON OTTERS SWIM TEAM 2025

Wednesday, May 28 - Saturday, July 26

The Morton Otters Swim Team is open to novice and experienced competitive swimmers and is an excellent opportunity to introduce swimmers to competitive swimming. All swimmers must be familiar with Freestyle, Backstroke and Breaststroke. Butterfly will be taught throughout the season.



The 6–8-year-old participants must be able to swim one continuous length of the pool with Freestyle and side breathing. Participants 9 and older should be able to swim two continuous lengths of the pool with freestyle and breaststroke or backstroke. Swim meets are held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at the Morton Pool and other area pools.

#117 Ages 6-8 years Mon-Friday \$130 Resident/\$260 Non Resident
#118 Ages 9-10 years Mon-Friday \$130 Resident/\$260 Non Resident
#119 Ages 11-12 years Mon-Friday \$130 Resident/\$260 Non Resident
#120 Ages 13-18 years Mon-Friday \$130 Resident/\$260 Non Resident

There are three practice time slots: 7-8:15am, 8:15-9:15am, 9:15-10:00am. Practices will begin Wednesday, May 28. Following registration, Swim Team Coaches will assign practice times based on total registration numbers, as well as participant age and experience level. Parents will be notified via email regarding their child's practice time slot no later than Tuesday May 27 at 5pm.

All new Otters swimmers are REQUIRED to attend in-water, evaluations on Tuesday, May 27 at 8am at the Morton Pool.

Please be sure your email address is up to date in your Rec Desk account when you register

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5	6	7	8 Swimsuit try on 5-7pm FH	9	10
n	12	13	14	15 Swimsuit try on 5-6pm Parent Mtg 6-7pm FH	16	17
18	19	20 Computer Training 6pm Home	े 21	22	23	24
25	26	New ²⁷ Swimmer Eval 8-10am Home	All Swimmer Practices Start Today Home	29	30	31

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Time Trials Warm Ups 5pm Home	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 Meet vs Washington Warm Ups 5pm Home	11	Relay Meet @ Tremont	13	14
15	16	17 Meet vs Pekin & YMCA Warm Ups 5pm Home	18	19	20	21
22	23	24 Meet vs Metamora Warm Ups 5pm Home	25	26 Swim Meet @ Mason City	27	28
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JUNE

mortonotters@mortonparkdistrict.com www.mortonswim.com.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
JU	LY	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 Meet vs Lake Camelot Warm Ups 5pm Home	9	10	Tazewell Co 10 & Under @ Washington	12 Tazewell Co 11 ups @ Washington
13	14	15 Meet vs Roanoke Warm Ups 5pm Home	16	Swim Meet @ Tremont	18	19
20	21	22 Swim Party 6:30pm	23	24	25 10 & Under Conference @ 5Points	26 11 Ups Conference @ 5Points
27	28	29	30	31	G	MORTON HEA

AFTERNOON ADVENTURES

A youth playground program which offers participants a variety of activities (games, sports, science, and art). The participants will be going to the pool each day for the last hour of camp. Please wear tennis shoes to the program. In inclement weather, the class may be held in the Grundy Gymnasium. A t-shirt is included in the fee.

Kids ages 7-10



Program Supervisors: Joni Nightingale, Nicole Baer, Lily Fleming & Sarah Fore

Afternoon Adventures meets at Idlewood Park Picnic Pavilion *This is a drop off program*

#130	June 2-25	(8 classes)	M & W	Ages 7-10	1-4pm	\$120 resident
#131	June 3-26	(8 classes)	Tu & Th	Ages 7-10	1-4pm	\$120 resident
#132	June 10-26	(9 classes)	Tu-W-Th	Ages 7-10	11am-2pm	\$135 resident
#133	July 7-16	(4 classes)	M & W	Ages 7-10	1-4pm	\$60 resident
#134	July 8-17	(4 classes)	Tu & Th	Ages 7-10	1-4pm	\$60 resident
#135	July 21-30	(4 classes)	M & W	Ages 7-10	1-4pm	\$60 resident
#136	July 22-31	(4 classes)	Tu & Th	Ages 7-10	1-4pm	\$60 resident

No dogs allowed at Idlewood Park

TEDDY BEARS

A youth playground program that will include games, sports, science, and art activities. This multi-week program is recreational in nature and is not a preschool program. Please wear tennis shoes to the program. In inclement weather, class may be held in the Grundy Gymnasium. A t-shirt is included in the fee. Program Supervisor: Nicole Baer

Teddy Bears meets at Idlewood Park Picnic Pavilion

This is a drop off program

Kids ages 4-6



\$72 resident **#140** June 2-25 (8 classes) Ages 4-6 M & W 9:15-10:30am **#141** June 10-26 (6 classes) Ages 4-6 Tu & Th 9:15-10:30am \$54 resident

T-ball/Soccer Programs

Kids ages 3-7



This program is a low-key, non-competitive instructional activity that teaches sportsmanship, along with fundamental baseball & soccer skills. The 4-week program meets 2 days a week. Tuesdays will focus on baseball skills using a soft baseball and batting tee. Thursdays will focus on soccer skills. A t-shirt is included in the fee. Players should bring a glove for baseball. Shin guards are recommended for soccer. Coaches are provided for all teams.

This 4-week program will meet twice a week at McClallen Park.

3-year-old T-ball/Soccer: for boys and girls who are 3 years old by June 3.

#202 June 3-26 Tues & Thurs 9-9:30am

McClallen Park \$60 resident

4 year-old T-ball/Soccer: for boys and girls who are 4 years old by June 3.

#203 June 3-26 Tue & Thurs 9:35-10:20am McClallen Park \$60 resident

<u>5-6 year-old T-ball/Soccer:</u> for boys and girls who are 5 years old by June 3. Coaches will pitch to all participants. Batting tee will also be used.

#204 June 3-26 Tue & Thurs 10:25-11:10am McClallen Park \$60 resident

6-7-8 year-old Baseball/Soccer: for boys and girls who are 6 years old by June 3.
Coaches will pitch to all participants.

#205 June 3-26 Tue & Thurs 11:15am-Noon McClallen Park \$60 resident

No dogs allowed at McClallen Park

SANDLOT KICKBALL

Kids entering grades 1-8



If your child loves playing kickball at recess or in PE, then this is the program for you! This 5-week program will meet twice a week **at McClallen Park** and is recreational in nature. Players will be divided into different groups each day. No previous experience is necessary. Tennis shoes are required. A t-shirt is included in the fee.

Program Supervisor: Asa Olden

#210 June 2-July 2 Mon & Wed 9:10-10am Entering grades 1-2-3 \$60 Resident Entering grades 4-5 \$60 Resident

#212 June 2-July 2 Mon & Wed 11:10am-Noon Entering grades 6-7-8 \$60 Resident

Northwood Park Nature Nuts

Kids ages 8-11



Come enjoy a Nature Nuts one-day class **at Northwood Park!** In the time together, participants will explore some aspect of nature, take a hike, play a game or do a craft while enjoying being outdoors. Tennis shoes are required and students should bring a bottle of water. Program Supervisor: Allison Nix

#400	Tues, June 10	Ages 8-11	Trees	9-10:30am	\$20 Resident
#401	Tues, June 10	Ages 8-11	Trees	10:30am-Noon	\$20 Resident
#402	Wed, June 18	Ages 8-11	Animal Tracks	9-10:30am	\$20 Resident
#403	Wed, June 18	Ages 8-11	Animal Tracks	10:30am-Noon	\$20 Resident
#404	Thurs, June 26	Ages 8-11	Wildlife Study	9-10:30am	\$20 Resident
#405	Thurs, June 26	Ages 8-11	Wildlife Study	10:30am-Noon	\$20 Resident
#406	Thurs, July 10	Ages 8-11	Trees	9-10:30am	\$20 Resident
#407	Thurs, July 10	Ages 8-11	Trees	10:30am-Noon	\$20 Resident
#408	Wed, July 16	Ages 8-11	Animal Tracks	9-10:30am	\$20 Resident
#409	Wed, July 16	Ages 8-11	Animal Tracks	10:30am-Noon	\$20 Resident
#410	Tues, July 22	Ages 8-11	Wildlife Study	9-10:30am	\$20 Resident
#411	Tues, July 22	Ages 8-11	Wildlife Study	10:30am-Noon	\$20 Resident

Creek Stomp

Kids ages 8-11

Come explore the creek at Ulrich Wildlife Preserve!

Our class will include a study of creek life, a hike to the water and then exploration in the creek. Please wear tennis shoes or water shoes with covered toes. (No crocs or boots.) We will take a hike in the creek, so anticipate wet & muddy shoes—and maybe clothing, too. When picking up your child, you might want to bring a towel for the car ride home as well as a change of shoes and a bag to collect wet items. It will be a stomping good time!

#412	Tues, June 10	Ages 8-11	Ulrich Wildlife Preserve	1-2:30pm	\$20 Resident
#413	Wed, June 18	Ages 8-11	Ulrich Wildlife Preserve	1-2:30pm	\$20 Resident
#414	Thurs, June 26	Ages 8-11	Ulrich Wildlife Preserve	1-2:30pm	\$20 Resident
#415	Thurs, July 10	Ages 8-11	Ulrich Wildlife Preserve	1-2:30pm	\$20 Resident
#416	Wed, July 16	Ages 8-11	Ulrich Wildlife Preserve	1-2:30pm	\$20 Resident
#417	Tues, July 22	Ages 8-11	Ulrich Wildlife Preserve	1-2:30pm	\$20 Resident

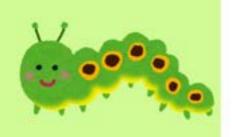
Participants may sign up for more than one creek stomp.

NATURE BUDDIES

Kids ages 3-5 with adult buddy

Come explore Northwood Park with your five senses!

Allison Nix will guide participants through a number of hands-on and interactive activities meant to introduce and foster a love of nature and the outdoors. This class is for children ages 3-5 and their adult buddy, who is 16 or older. Tennis shoes are required, and participants should bring a bottle of water to drink.



#418	Tues, June 24	Ages 3-5	Northwood Park	5-5:45pm	\$15 Resident
#419	Tues, June 24	Ages 3-5	Northwood Park	6-6:45pm	\$15 Resident

YOUTH TUMBLING

Kids ages 3-8

One, 5-week tumbling session will be offered. Instructor Samantha Dardanes and her staff will teach fundamental beginning tumbling to participants. No experience necessary. Space is limited.



Tuesdays: June 17 - July 22 (No class July 1)

#701	10:00-10:30am	3 year old tumbling	\$54 resident
#702	10:35-11:05am	4 year old tumbling	\$54 resident
#703	11:10-11:40am	4-5 year old tumbling	\$54 resident
#704	11:45am-12:15pm	5-7 year old tumbling	\$54 resident
#705	12:20-1:00pm	6-8 year old tumbling	\$60 resident

Thursdays: June 19 - July 24 (No class July 3)

#706	10:00-10:30am	4 year old tumbling	\$54 resident
#707	10:35-11:05am	3 year old tumbling	\$54 resident
#708	11:10-11:40am	4-5 year old tumbling	\$54 resident
#709	11:45am-12:15pm	5-7 year old tumbling	\$54 resident
#710	12:20-1:00pm	6-8 year old tumbling	\$60 resident

TUMBLING CLASSES WILL BE HELD AT THE RECREATION CENTER, 324 DETROIT AVE.

YOUTH TENNIS LESSONS

Kids ages 5-12

Join former MHS Potter tennis player Asa Olden, a two-time IHSA state qualifier in doubles & a current Morton High School assistant boy's tennis coach, for tennis lessons this summer!

Kids will be taught tennis basics including proper grip and swing for forehand, backhand, and volley. Sessions will mainly focus on instruction but will include fun games to keep kids engaged. Players are required to provide their own racket.

#802	May 27-28-29	Tu-W-Th	Ages 4-5	5-5:45pm	MHS Courts	\$45 Resident
	May 27-28-29	Tu-W-Th	Ages 6-8	5:45-7pm		\$55 Resident
#804	May 27-28-29	Tu-W-Th	Ages 9-13	7-8:30pm	MHS Courts	\$70 Resident
#805	June 2, 4, 9, 11	Mon/Wed	Ages 5-6	6-6:50pm	MHS Courts	\$55 Resident
#806	June 2, 4, 9, 11	Mon/Wed	Ages 7-9	7-7:50pm	MHS Courts	\$55 Resident
#807	June 2, 4, 9, 11	Mon/Wed	Ages 10-13	8-9:10pm	MHS Courts	\$75 Resident
#808	June 16, 18, 23, 25	Mon/Wed	Ages 4-5	5-5:45pm	MHS Courts	\$55 Resident
#809	June 16, 18, 23, 25	Mon/Wed	Ages 6-7	6-6:50pm	MHS Courts	\$55 Resident
#810	June 16, 18, 23, 25	Mon/Wed	Ages 8-10	7-7:50pm	MHS Courts	\$55 Resident
#811	June 16, 18, 23, 25	Mon/Wed	Ages 10-13	8-9:10pm	MHS Courts	\$75 Resident
#812	July 7, 9, 14, 16	Mon/Wed	Ages 4-5	5-5:45pm	MHS Courts	\$55 Resident
#813	July 7, 9, 14, 16	Mon/Wed	Ages 6-7	6-6:50pm	MHS Courts	\$55 Resident
#814	July 7, 9, 14, 16	Mon/Wed	Ages 8-10	7-7:50pm	MHS Courts	\$55 Resident
#815	July 7, 9, 14, 16	Mon/Wed	Ages 10-13	8-9:10pm	MHS Courts	\$75 Resident



GIRL'S VOLLEYBALL CLINIC



Join Phoebe Olden for a four-day volleyball clinic to kick off your summer! Phoebe is a Morton Potter alum who will bring to the gym her love for the sport as well as her volleyball knowledge as both a collegiate player (at Lincoln Christian University) and a collegiate assistant coach (at Dordt University.) Additional coaching staff will consist of current and former MHS Volleyball players.

Volleyball basics including passing, setting, attacking, and serving will be covered in a fun and light-hearted environment. The younger grades will get an introduction to all things volleyball and use a volley lite ball. The older grades will review all skills while improving in every area, ending each day with scrimmages & fun competitions!

#830 May 27-30	Tues-Fri	8:15-9:15am	Grades 2-3	Grundy Gym	\$45 Resident
#831 May 27-30	Tues-Fri	9:15-10:30am	Grades 4-5	Grundy Gym	\$55 Resident
#832 May 27-30	Tues-Fri	10:30-Noon	Grades 6-7-8	Grundy Gym	\$65 Resident

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Small Group, Soccer Skills Training Kids born in 2013-2018

Come on out for small group training this summer at McClallen Park! Instruction will include advanced fundamental soccer drills with the goal of improving individual technical ability. Each group is limited to 14 players to ensure plenty of individual attention.

Boy's skills sessions will be led by Asa Olden. Girls skills sessions will be led by Abi Keltner. Goalie training will be led by Daniel Happach.

Boys Skills	Training	McClallen Park	\$85 resident
#242 M/W	July 7-9-14-16	Boys born in 2017 & 2018	8:30-9:45am
#243 M/W	July 7-9-14-16	Boys born in 2015 & 2016	10-11:15am
#244 M/W	July 7-9-14-16	Boys born in 2013 & 2014	11:30am-12:45pm
#245 M/W	July 21-23-28-30	Boys born in 2013 & 2014	8:30-9:45am
#246 M/W	July 21-23-28-30	Boys born in 2015 & 2016	10-11:15am
#247 M/W	July 21-23-28-30	Boys born in 2017 & 2018	11:30am-12:45pm
Girls Skills	Training	McClallen Park	\$85 resident
#248 M/W	June 30, July 2-7-9	Girls born in 2016, 2017 & 2018	5-6:15pm
#249 M/W	June 30, July 2-7-9	Girls born in 2013, 2014 & 2015	6:30-7:45pm
#250 Tu/Th	July 15-17-22-24	Girls born in 2016, 2017 & 2018	5-6:15pm
#251 Tu/Th		Girls born in 2013, 2014 & 2015	6:30-7:45pm
Boys Goali	e Training	McClallen Park	\$85 resident
#252 Frida	ys June 20-July 18 (No 7/4)	Boys born in 2013-2016	9-10:15am

No dogs allowed at McClallen Park

SUMMER SOCCER

Kids ages 3-6

The **4-6-year-old** Leagues are CO-ED, developmental leagues for children who will play small-sided games in a fun, non-competitive environment. Coaches are needed. Tennis shoes or soccer cleats should be worn. A program t-shirt is included in the fee. Program Supervisor: Asa Olden

#230	Tuesdays, June 10-July 15	Age 4	5:15-6pm	McClallen	\$60 resident
#231	Tuesdays, June 10-July 15	Age 5	6-6:45pm	McClallen	\$60 resident
#232	Tuesdays, June 10-July 15	Age 6	6:45-7:30pm	McClallen	\$60 resident

The COED **soccer clinic is for 3-year-old** children. Participants must be 3 by July 10, 2025. An adult is required to participate with the child on the field. Participants will be introduced to soccer through drills and skill instruction.

#233	Thursdays, July 10-31	Age 3	5-5:30pm	McClallen	\$45 resident
#234	Thursdays, July 10-31	Age 3	5:45-6:15pm	McClallen	\$45 resident

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CHESS CLUB

Kids ages 7-17



Does your child enjoy the game of chess? Whether a beginner at chess or an experienced player, your child will be sure to love this **6-week** club! Summer chess will take place in the large room at **Freedom Hall**. Program Supervisor: Kim Serrurier

<u>Beginner Chess:</u> Ages 7-17: Beginners will learn basic game rules, board set up, piece movement, and the difference between check and checkmate. We will start each class with a lesson. Players will practice through play. This class is geared toward the new player or players who have trouble reaching checkmate on their own.

#512 June 10- July 15 Tuesdays 9-10am Freedom Hall \$45 resident

<u>Intermediate Chess:</u> Ages 8-17: The majority of this class will be learning through play. Touch move/touch take rules will be followed. Special moves, trades and values, stalemate and tactics will be touched upon.

#513 June 10 - July 15 Tuesdays 10:15-11:45am Freedom Hall \$55 resident

DISC GOLF CLUB

Kids ages 10-14

Join your friends for an adventure at Northwood Park! During this 4-week program, park district staff will teach kids the basics of disc golf as they toss discs around all the holes of the Northwood disc golf course. No experience is necessary. Participants are REQUIRED to wear tennis shoes. If you have your own discs, you can bring them. Please label them with your last name and phone number. Discs will be provided as well. Program Supervisor: Boaz Olden



#421 Tuesdays June 3-24 Ages 10-14 Northwood 6:30-8pm \$30 resident **#422** Tuesdays July 8-29 Ages 10-14 Northwood 6:30-8pm \$30 resident

MAGICIAN'S WORKSHOP

Kids ages 8-14

In this two-day class, you'll learn magic with playing cards, money, rope, sleight of hand and more! Suitable for new and returning students. All supplies included. Program Supervisor: Greg Joyce



527 Wednesday, July 9 AND Friday, July 11 Ages 8-14 2-4pm \$40 resident

This program will meet in the large room at Freedom Hall

YOUTH PICKLEBALL

Kids entering grades 4-8

If your child enjoys pickleball in gym class, then this class will be a great fit! During this four-week program, participants will be taught the basics of pickleball in a fun, laid-back environment. Participants are required to bring their own **pickleball paddle**, wear tennis shoes and bring a bottle of water. Program Supervisor: Asa Olden



June Session

#501	June 5-26	Grades 4-5	Thursdays	5:10-6pm	Birchwood	\$30 Resident
#502	June 5-26	Grades 5-6	Thursdays	6:10-7pm	Birchwood	\$30 Resident
#503	June 5-26	Grades 6-7-8	Thursdays	7:10-8pm	Birchwood	\$30 Resident

July Session

#504	July 10-31	Grades 4-5	Thursdays	7:10-8pm	Birchwood	\$30 Resident
#505	July 10-31	Grades 6-7-8	Thursdays	8:10-9pm	Birchwood	\$30 Resident

MIDDLE SCHOOL BOWLING CLUB Kids entering grades 3-8

Come join us for a fun afternoon of bowling at Potter's Alley!
Participants will bowl with their peers in a fun, laid-back
setting. Shoes are included in the fee for this 4-week program.

All participants must wear socks. Supervision is provided.

#816 Thursdays July 10-31 Entering Grades 3-4-5 1:00-2:15pm \$35 resident

#817 Thursdays July 10-31 Entering Grades 6-7-8 2:30-3:45pm \$35 resident

BOWLING CLUB WILL TAKE PLACE AT POTTER'S ALLEY, 628 W. DAVID ST, MORTON.

RUNNING CLUB

Kids entering grades 5-8

Join MJHS Cross Country Coach Sheila Graber for Running Club at **Southwood Park**. This club will include an introduction to running, proper stretching, warm-ups/cool downs, running games, and group running. Beginners and experienced runners are welcome!

#601 Mon & Wed June 9-11-16-18 Grades 5-8 9-10:30am \$30 resident

SAFE SITTER BABYSITTING



The Safe Sitter babysitting program is an interactive, six-hour, instructor-led training designed to educate and empower students with the skills and knowledge they need to care for themselves and younger children. Youth will engage in fun games and role-playing exercises while learning skills such as choking rescue and CPR, assessing and responding to injuries and illnesses, behavior management, practice diapering, ability to screen jobs, and greeting employers. Through completion of the program, students will become certified Safe Sitter babysitters. Participants should bring a sack lunch to eat at midday. This class will be taught by a Health Education Specialist from the Hult Center for Healthy Living.

#514 Friday, June 13 Ages 10-14 Freedom Hall 9am-3:30pm \$85

Morton Community Kids Fishing Day

In affiliation with Hooked On Fishing Park

The Morton Park District is excited to partner with Hooked On Fishing Park for the Morton Community Kids Fishing Day. Come enjoy a day of fishing at **Lakewood Park!** No experience or gear is needed as our friends at Hooked On Fishing will provide the necessary equipment. Two sessions will be offered that include safety instructions, a brief presentation on the importance of conservation, and of course fishing! Enrollment is limited. Advance registration is required for this event. 100% of the registration fees will go to Hooked On Fishing. No refunds.



#800 Saturday, May 31 Ages 8-15 9am-10:45am \$10 **#801** Saturday, May 31 Ages 8-15 11am-12:45pm \$10

Homemade Dog Treats Class

Kids ages 8-12

Come have a dog-gone good time baking fresh, homemade dog treats that all pups will love! Treats will be made with all-natural ingredients. Participants will take home at least one dozen treats.

Peanut butter will be used Program Supervisor: Teressa Zobrist



#582	Tuesday, July 15	Ages 8-12	12:30-1:30pm	Freedom Hall	\$25 resident
#583	Tuesday, July 15	Ages 8-12	2-3pm	Freedom Hall	\$25 resident
#584	Tuesday, July 15	Ages 8-12	3:30-4:30pm	Freedom Hall	\$25 resident

YOUTH SEWING

Love to sew? Come join us for a one-day sewing class! All supplies are included in class fee. Sewing machines will be provided. However, if you have one that you are used to sewing on, please bring it with you - don't forget your foot pedal and cords.

Program Supervisor: Nicole Friend

Kids ages 7-12



<u>Pillowcases</u>: Once participants have sewn their pillowcase, they will have the opportunity to personalize them.

#580 Ages 7-12 Wed June 25 9-10:30am Freedom Hall (Sm. Room) \$25 resident **#581** Ages 7-12 Wed June 25 11am-12:30pm Freedom Hall (Sm. Room) \$25 resident

TIE-DYE T-SHIRT CLASS

Kids entering grades 4-8

Come join us for tie-dye t-shirt fun! Participants will be instructed on how to create their own unique, tie-dye t-shirts using two different patterns. All supplies, including two t-shirts, will be provided. Participants will be able to take their t-shirts home with them that day. All t-shirts will be slightly damp and placed in bags, complete with wash-out instructions. Program Supervisor: Suzanne Drucker

Please wear old clothes and plan to get messy

Freedom Hall \$25 resident Freedom Hall \$25 resident

#510 Fri., May 30 **#511** Fri., May 30

Ages 9-10

Ages 11-14

9-9:50am

10:30-11:20am

HOGWARTS SUMMER SCHOOL

Kids Ages 9-14



Owls are delivering letters to promising young witches and wizards to attend Hogwarts Summer School! Keep your wands on the ready and put on your house robes for this magical session. At Hogwarts Summer School, students will brush-up on dueling spells, explore the science of herbology, and practice quidditch! And of course, most importantly, we will have a little FUN! Mischief Managed! Program Supervisor: Katrina Fitzpatrick



#302 July 8-9-10 Ages 9-14 MJHS Band Room 10:30am-Noon \$50 Resident

SLIME TIME

Kids Ages 8-14

Join us for Slime Time!! This messy, hands-on activity promises to be a blast! Participants will learn how to make their own squishy slime using glue, shaving cream, glitter and more! All ingredients are provided. Participants should wear old clothes and expect to get messy!

Program Supervisors: Holly Olden & Nicole Friend

#508 Tuesday, July 22 #509 Tuesday, July 22

Ages 8-14 Ages 8-14 8:45-10am 10:30-11:45am Freedom Hall

\$25 Resident \$25 Resident

DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS CLUB

Kids ages 9-15 Adults ages 16+

This club is for both newcomers to the game, as well as experienced players. This club is a multi-session course that will teach beginners the ins and outs of Dungeons & Dragons. Participants will learn everything from lore to character creation, culminating in their own game. Experienced players will delve right into gameplay. Experienced gamemasters will lead each D&D table.



Mondays, June 2-July 28 @ Morton Recreation Center

#713 Adult experienced, ages 16+ 6-8pm \$90 resident (9 sessions) **#714** Youth experienced, ages 9-15 6-8pm \$90 resident (9 sessions)

Tuesdays, June 10-July 15 @ Freedom Hall

#522	Youth beginner, ages 9-15	9:30-11:30am	\$60 resident (6 sessions)
#523	Youth experienced, ages 9-15	9:30-11:30am	\$60 resident (6 sessions)
#524	Youth beginner, ages 9-15	12-2pm	\$60 resident (6 sessions)
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<u>Hawaiian Paint Camp</u>

Kids ages 6-12

Aloha, young artists! Join us for an exciting Hawaiian-themed painting camp where you'll dive into the colorful world of tropical beaches, vibrant flowers, and cool surfboards! Get ready to unleash your creativity as we paint everything from beautiful sunsets to playful sea turtles, all while having tons of fun in the sun! Come make your own Hawaiian masterpiece and bring the islands to life on canvas! No experience required. Program Supervisor: Justine Selock





We will have an art show the last half hour of the final day of each camp to show off our accomplishments.

PAINT CAMP WILL MEET AT FREEDOM HALL.

Mon-Tue-Wed \$130 resident July 28-29-30 Ages 6-12 9-12pm #576 July 28-29-30 Mon-Tue-Wed Ages 6-12 1-4pm \$130 resident

CREATING ARTISTS PAINT CLASSES

Kids ages 4-12

These one-day painting classes will allow artists of all ages to enjoy a step-by-step painting lesson where all students will leave with their own masterpiece. During this class, students will learn the basics of acrylic painting on canvas. All materials and supplies will be provided. Come ready to paint! Instruction and guidance provided. No skill level required. Program Supervisor: Justine Selock CREATING ARTISTS WILL MEET AT FREEDOM HALL.



Cactus Painting:

#585	Monday, June 9	Ages 4-5	9-9:45am	\$26 resident
#586	Monday, June 9	Ages 4-5	10-10:45am	\$26 resident
#587	Monday, June 9	Ages 6-12	11:15am-12:30pm	\$26 resident
#588	Monday, June 9	Ages 6-12	12:45-2pm	\$26 resident
#589	Monday, June 9	Ages 6-12	2:15-3:30pm	\$26 resident

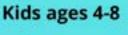
Unicorn Painting:

#590	Thursday, June 26	Ages 4-5	9-9:45am	\$26 resident
#591	Thursday, June 26	Ages 4-5	10-10:45am	\$26 resident
#592	Thursday, June 26	Ages 6-12	11:15am-12:30pm	\$26 resident
#593	Thursday, June 26	Ages 6-12	12:45-2pm	\$26 resident
#594	Thursday, June 26	Ages 6-12	2:15-3:30pm	\$26 resident
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Llama	Painting:			
#595	Friday, July 18	Ages 4-5	9-9:45am	\$26 resident
#596	Friday, July 18	Ages 4-5	10-10:45am	\$26 resident
#597	Friday, July 18	Ages 6-12	11:15am-12:30pm	\$26 resident
#598	Friday, July 18	Ages 6-12	12:45-2pm	\$26 resident
	Friday, July 18	Ages 6-12	2:15-3:30pm	\$26 resident

DAY QUESTS

Kids can join Samantha Dardanes for a variety of one-day activities designed to help children be creative, use their imagination and have fun! *This is a drop-off program*





Superhero Training - Friday, June 27

Calling all Superheroes! Join us for a morning of SUPER-sized fun! Decorate a mask, train like a superhero & enjoy a healthy snack to keep those super muscles nice and strong. Don't forget to wear your favorite superhero outfit!

#561	Fri, June 27	Ages 4-5	9-10:30am	Freedom Hall	\$25 Resident
#562	Fri, June 27	Ages 6-8	11am-12:30pm	Freedom Hall	\$25 Resident

Princess Tea Party - Wednesday, July 2

Hear ye, hear ye! All fair maidens are invited to a magical Princess Tea Party. Please dress in your most sparkly attire and join us for a magical afternoon. Each princess will decorate her own crown, eat tea & treats, and get the royal treatment with a little fairy godmother shimmer.

#563	Wed, July 2	Ages 4-5	Noon-1:30pm	Freedom Hall	\$25 Resident
#564	Wed, July 2	Ages 6-8	2-3:30pm	Freedom Hall	\$25 Resident

Cupcake Decorating - Friday, July 11

Join us for a fun morning, decorating four summer-themed cupcakes. All supplies provided.

#565	Fri, July 11	Ages 6-12	9-10am	Freedom Hall	\$25 Resident
#566	Fri, July 11	Ages 6-12	10:15-11:15am	Freedom Hall	\$25 Resident
#567	Fri, July 11	Ages 6-12	11:30am-12:30pm	Freedom Hall	\$25 Resident

Bluey Day - Wednesday, July 16

Join us for an afternoon of games, snacks & fun from everyone's favorite show - Bluey!

#568	Wed, July 16	Ages 4-5	Noon-1:30pm	Freedom Hall	\$25 Resident
#569	Wed, July 16	Ages 6-8	2-3:30pm	Freedom Hall	\$25 Resident

Pumpkin Party - Wednesday, July 23

We are throwing a Pumpkin Party! Prepare for the Pumpkin Festival with us as we make a pumpkin party hat, enjoy a pumpkin treat & much more pumpkin fun! Don't forget to wear orange!

#570	Wed, July 23	Ages 4-5	Noon-1:30pm	Freedom Hall	\$25 Resident
#571	Wed, July 23	Ages 6-8	2-3:30pm	Freedom Hall	\$25 Resident

Christmas in July - Friday, July 25

It's the most wonderful time of the year! Let's celebrate Christmas in July! We will decorate Christmas cookies and make a festive ornament.

#572	Fri, July 25	Ages 5-7	9-10:30am	Freedom Hall	\$25 Resident
#573	Fri, July 25	Ages 8-10	11am-12:30pm	Freedom Hall	\$25 Resident

BIG & ME MORNING FUN



Join Samantha Dardanes as she leads you and your child through fun, hands-on activities! All activities are for kids ages 2-5 and their adult (16+) buddy.

Gardening: What's better than digging in the dirt?! Someone else to clean up the mess! Enjoy a morning digging in the dirt & planting a flower with your little one. Participants will take home a small potted flower.

#553	Ages 2-5	Wednesday, July 2	9-9:45am	Freedom Hall	\$15 Resident
#554	Ages 2-5	Wednesday, July 2	10:15-11am	Freedom Hall	\$15 Resident
#555	Ages 2-5	Wednesday, July 9	9-9:45am	Freedom Hall	\$15 Resident
#556	Ages 2-5	Wednesday, July 9	10:15-11am	Freedom Hall	\$15 Resident

Stuffed Animal Birthday Party: Happy, Happy Birthday to...your favorite stuffed animal/buddy! You, your little one & their favorite "stuffy" are invited to a birthday party! Join us as we celebrate your stuffed animal buddy with a birthday muffin & some bounce house fun!



#557 Ages 2-5 Wednesday, July 16 9-9:45am Freedom Hall \$15 Resident \$158 Ages 2-5 Wednesday, July 16 10:15-11am Freedom Hall \$15 Resident

<u>Pancakes & Pajamas</u>: Enjoy a fun morning with your little one at a pancakes & pajamas party! Wear your pjs and listen to the story, "If You Give a Pig a Pancake" while eating yummy pancakes!



#559 Ages 2-5 Wednesday, July 23 9-9:45am Freedom Hall \$15 Resident #560 Ages 2-5 Wednesday, July 23 10:15-11am Freedom Hall \$15 Resident

WHALE STORY TIME IN THE PARK

Join Miss Ashley from the Morton Library at the Idlewood Park Story Walk featuring the story, "The Whale in My Swimming Pool" by Joyce Wan. This family story time will include movement and songs as we visit each Story Walk panel, followed by crafts and snacks for each registered participant. An adult (14+) is required to attend, at no charge, with participants.

#199 Ages 3-6 Friday, June 6 9-10:15am Idlewood Park \$10 Resident

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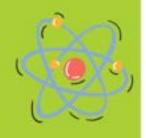
Join Miss Ashley from the Morton Library at the **Lakewood Park** Story Walk featuring the story, "Duck & Goose" by Tad Hills. This family story time will include movement and songs as we waddle to each Story Walk panel, followed by crafts and snacks for each registered participant. An adult (14+) is required to attend, at no charge, with participants.

#820 Ages 3-6 Tuesday, July 8 9-10:15am Lakewood Park \$10 Resident

STEM CLASSES

Kids ages 8-11

Shanna Oyer will provide engaging and fun learning activities focusing on skills related to science, technology, engineering and math. The activities are designed to help stimulate your child's mind, while allowing them to experiment and be creative. Each day will offer exciting skills focusing on a variety of topics.



These classes will meet at Freedom Hall.

Animals! Learn all about amazing animals by making your own unique creature to take home! We will learn about animal adaptations and how they survive in the wild, as well as what a zookeeper has to do to take care of animals.

#531 Wed, June 11	9-11am	Ages 8-11	Freedom Hall	\$26 Resident
#532 Wed, June 11	11:30a-1:30p	Ages 8-11	Freedom Hall	\$26 Resident
#533 Wed, June 11	2-4pm	Ages 8-11	Freedom Hall	\$26 Resident

Weather! How do people survive natural disasters? Learn all about earthquakes, hurricanes and flooding, and how people design buildings to withstand all different types of severe weather.

#534 Thurs, June 12	9-11am	Ages 8-11	Freedom Hall	\$26 Resident
#535 Thurs, June 12	11:30a-1:30p	Ages 8-11	Freedom Hall	\$26 Resident
#536 Thurs, June 12	2-4pm	Ages 8-11	Freedom Hall	\$26 Resident

<u>Human Body!</u> Our body is very complicated--how does it work? We will create a skeleton and a spinal cord, as well as a working model of a hand! We will also learn about different ways to keep our body healthy.

#537 Thurs, July 17	9-11am	Ages 8-11	Freedom Hall	\$26 Resident
#538 Thurs, July 17	11:30a-1:30p	Ages 8-11	Freedom Hall	\$26 Resident
#539 Thurs, July 17	2-4pm	Ages 8-11	Freedom Hall	\$26 Resident

Creative Chemistry! Do you like to make things with your hands? Then this is the class for you! Join us while we make fidget spinners, stress balls and bouncy balls!

#540 Thurs, July 24	9-11am	Ages 8-11	Freedom Hall	\$26 Resident
#541 Thurs, July 24	11:30a-1:30p	Ages 8-11	Freedom Hall	\$26 Resident
#542 Thurs, July 24	2-4pm	Ages 8-11	Freedom Hall	\$26 Resident

MUSIC CAMP

Kids age 4 - entering 5th grade

Does your child enjoy music? Do you want your child to experience musical instruction in an encouraging and fun atmosphere? Then sign up for MUSIC CAMP!! Lynnae Kellum will be taking your child on a lively musical adventure with "hands-on" activities while learning about tempo, dynamics, rhythm, improvisation and much more! Lynnae has a degree in music education and experience teaching general music in the classroom, along with private voice and piano lessons. Your child will be singing, moving, playing instruments, and learning the Solfege method while focusing on ear training, pitch, tone, melody, and harmony.



Music camp will be held at Freedom Hall.

#550 PreK/K Mon/Wed June 16, 18, 23, 25 10-10:50am \$45 resident **#551** 1st-5th Mon/Wed June 16, 18, 23, 25 11am-12:30pm \$55 resident

PRESCHOOL MUSIC BUDDIES

Kids ages 2-4



Music Buddies is a fun musical experience designed to introduce preschool level musical concepts to children, AGES 2-4, along with their adult buddy (must be at least 16). You will both embark on a musical adventure that will strengthen your relationship with your child while encouraging a love for music. The buddies (child and adult) will partner together during this music class under the instruction of an experienced and trained music teacher, Lynnae Kellum. Lynnae has a degree in music education and experience teaching preschool music, along with private voice and piano lessons. We will spend time singing, listening, moving and playing instruments together. All music levels are welcome.

Music Buddies will be held at Freedom Hall.

#552 Ages 2-4 Mon/Wed June 16, 18, 23, 25 9-9:45am \$45 Resident

Registration is for one child and their adult buddy



Join MJHS Cross Country Coach Sheila Graber for Cross Country Camp at Southwood Park. This camp will include an introduction to cross country, proper stretching, strengthening exercises, group runs, warmups/cool-downs, and running games. Anyone interested in running cross country this fall is welcome! It's a great way to prepare for your fall XC season!

A dry-fit camp t-shirt is included in the fee if you register by Monday, July 14.

#602 Mon-Thurs July 28-31 Grades 6-8 8-9:30am \$50 Resident



SON PARK DISTRICT



Join Coach Asa Olden and his staff for training camp this summer in August right before your fall season begins! Additional coaching staff will consist of current and former MHS Soccer players. Players will improve both individual and team skills during camp. Skills that will be developed include dribbling, passing, shooting, and general soccer IQ. Training Camp will take place at McClallen Park.

Ages 6-7 #238 Aug. 4-7 M-Th Aug. 4-7 Ages 8-11 M-Th #239

YOUTH SOCCER TRAINING CAMP



5-6:30pm \$80 resident 6:45-8:30pm \$100 resident

Players should bring shin guards, cleats, water jug and a soccer ball. Camp t-shirt is included in the fee if you register by Friday, July 18.

MHS BOYS BASEBALL CAMP Coach: Jesse Crawford



Camp will provide individual instruction in baseball fundamentals for young, aspiring ballplayers. Fundamental skills include fielding ground and fly balls, proper throwing techniques, hitting and bunting skills, and base running and sliding technique. Each camper will receive a camp T-shirt.

July 22-25 (Tues-Fri) #305 July 22-25 (Tues-Fri) #306

8:45-10am 10-11:30am Grades K-4 Grades 5-8 \$60 \$60 Westwood Park Westwood Park

MHS GIRLS SOFTBALL CAMP

We will focus on fundamentals of throwing, catching, fielding, hitting, and baserunning. There will be competitions, games, and themed days to bring energy and excitement to our time together. Each camper will receive a t-shirt.

Coach: Ashley Beyer



July 21-24 (M-Th) #308

#309

9-10am

Ages 5-8

\$50

Birchwood Park

July 21-24 (M-Th)

10-11:30am

Ages 9-13

\$50

Birchwood Park

Morton JFL Youth Tackle Football Camp



Summer camp participants will be taught football skills and conditioning by high school players and youth football coaches from Morton JFL.

A t-shirt will be provided for each participant.

#320 July 21-25 (M-F)

6-8pm

8-14 years

MHS Carper Field

\$50

Morton Park District Youth Theater Presents:

Beauty is in the eye of the ogre in Shrek The Musical JR., based on the Oscarwinning DreamWorks Animation film and fantastic Broadway musical. It's a "big bright beautiful world" as everyone's favorite ogre, Shrek, leads a cast of fairytale misfits on an adventure to rescue a princess and find true acceptance. Part romance and part twisted fairy tale, Shrek JR. is an irreverently fun show with a powerful message for the whole family.

Directed by Keshia Wenninger

mpdyouththeater@mortonparkdistrict.com



Morton Park District Youth Theater

#890 Morton Youth Theater, MYT Entering 5th grade-17 years \$120 resident T-shirt is included in the fee. No Refunds after May 1, 2025

Auditions:

May 16 from 4-8pm & May 17 from 8am-12pm (call backs, if needed, 4-6pm)

Auditions will be held at The Barn, 1020 E. Jackson St.

Participants have to be registered in the MPD Youth Theatre program (MYT) and will need to prepare audition materials. This is a "no cut" program meaning auditions are used only for casting. Audition materials will be emailed to registered participants by May 5.

Rehearsal Schedule

- 5/19 (Mon) 5:30-6pm PARENT MEETING @ The Barn (1020 E. Jackson St) followed by a read-through from 6-8pm
- 5/23 (Fri) 5-7pm @ The Barn
- 5/27 (Tues) 5-7pm @ The Barn
- 5/29 (Thurs) 5-7pm @ The Barn
- 6/2-6/6 (M-F) 5-7pm @ Bertha Frank
- 6/9-6/13 (M-F) 5-8:30pm @ Bertha Frank
- 6/16-6/20 (M-F) 5-8:30pm @ Bertha Frank
- 6/23-6/25 (M-W) 5-9pm Tech Rehearsal @ Bertha Frank
- 6/26 (Thurs) 5-7pm Closed Rehearsal 7pm-9pm Dress Rehearsal Parent Viewing & Pictures
- 6/27 (Fri) 5:30pm arrival for 7pm performance
- 6/28 (Sat) 12:30pm arrival for 2pm performance
- 6/29 (Sun) 12:30pm arrival for 2pm performance
- 6/29 (Sun) 6:30-8pm all cast pool party at the Morton Pool

Junior Youth Theater

#891 Junior Youth Theatre, JYT Entering grades 2nd-4th \$80 resident T-shirt is included in the fee. No refunds after May 1, 2025

Rehearsal Schedule

- 5/19 (Mon) 5-6pm PARENT MEETING @ The Barn (1020 E. Jackson St)
- 6/2, 6/4, 6/6 (M,W,F) 4-5pm @ Bertha Frank
- 6/9, 6/11, 6/13 (M,W,F) 4-5pm @ Bertha Frank
- 6/16-6/20 (M-F) JYT 5-7pm @ Bertha Frank
- 6/23-6/25 (M-W) 5-9pm Tech Rehearsal @ Bertha Frank
- 6/26 (Thurs) 5-7pm Closed Rehearsal 7pm-9pm Dress Rehearsal Parent Viewing & Pictures
- 6/27 5:30pm arrival for the 7pm performance for JYT
- 6/28 1:30pm arrival for 2pm performance for JYT
- 6/29 1:30pm arrival for 2pm performance for JYT
- 6/29 (Sun) 6:30-8pm all cast pool party at the Morton Pool

Youth Theater Tech Crew

#892 MYT Tech Crew ages 12 – 17 years \$50 resident T-shirt is included in the fee. No refunds after May 1, 2025

Tech Crew is for those who want to learn and participate behind the scenes, ages 12 to 17 years old.

Crew members will be actively involved in the construction, technical aspects and running final performances. *Rehearsal schedule is subject to change for Crew Members*

Rehearsal Schedule

- 5/19 (Mon) 5:30-6pm PARENT MEETING @ The Barn (1020 E. Jackson St)
- 6/2, 6/3 (M,T) 5-7pm @ Bertha Frank
- 6/9-6/13 No Tech this week
- 6/16-6/20 (M-F) 5-8:30pm @ Bertha Frank
- 6/23-6/25 (M-W) 5-9pm Tech Rehearsal @ Bertha Frank
- 6/26 (Thurs) 5-7pm Closed Rehearsal 7pm-9pm Dress Rehearsal Parent Viewing & Pictures
- 6/27 (Fri) 5:30pm arrival for 7pm performance
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- 6/29,(Sun) 12:30pm arrival for 2pm performance
- 6/29(Sun) 6:30-8pm all cast pool party at the Morton Pool

Shrek, Jr. Ticket Sales Information

Ticket sales will be in advance at the Park District Office starting Monday, June 17. Any remaining tickets will be sold at the door.

PERFORMANCE DATES & TIMES:

Friday, June 27 7:00pm Bertha Frank Center Cost: \$10/ticket Saturday, June 28 2:00pm Bertha Frank Center Cost: \$10/ticket Sunday, June 29 2:00pm Bertha Frank Center Cost: \$10/ticket

*ALL AGES require a ticket for entry into each performance *

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Ladies Pickleball 101

This beginner class will teach ladies how to play the game of pickleball in a fun, laid-back environment. This 3-session class will cover rules of the game, how to keep score, game strategy and more! One hour of instruction will take place each week. The courts will be reserved for an additional 30 minutes of game play each week if participants want to stay and play. Program is held at the Birchwood Park Pickleball Courts, 349 W.

Birchwood. Paddles provided.

Program Supervisor: Peggy Smock

#515 May 28, June 4 & 11 (W) Birchwood 6-7pm Ladies 18+ \$30 Resident

Ladies Running 101

ARIO GRAM

Are you interested in running but not sure where to begin? Or maybe just looking for some motivation? Look no further! Join Sheila Graber for an entry level ladies' running club. We will start at your level and slowly help you build a running habit.

This group will meet on Monday and Wednesday mornings at 5:30am at the head of Morton to East Peoria bike trail. Park in the lot next to the small shelter/pavilion at the corner of Detroit Ave and Jefferson St. (935 W. Jefferson, Morton)

#818 Mon/Wed May 26-June 18 5:30-6:30am Ladies 18+ \$20 Resident





This is an open session for painters to come and share ideas, info and resources while having ample space to create their art and get to know other artists. Paint club meets on Thursdays, 8:30-Noon at Freedom Hall. Cost is \$5 per week. Bring your own art/paint supplies. Check out website for fall dates when school is back in session. No instructor.

Early Morning Walking

Looking for a place to walk during the winter months? Come to the Recreation Center (324 Detroit Ave.) and walk on the field turf soccer field. M/W/F, November - March from 7:30-9am. Check our web site in early October for specific dates. This FREE program is open to the public and



<u>Yoga</u>

does NOT require advanced registration.



Looking for a way to maintain balance, flexibility and muscle tone or just want to "get back into shape"? Come join Kim Bankert for classes that incorporate gentle stretching with light, weightbearing postures, derived from the century-old practice of yoga. Modifications and progressions to poses will be offered so class intensity may be adjusted to personal needs. Please bring your own mat to class. Registration REQUIRED.

Yoga is held M/W/F from 9-10am at the Recreation Center. Check our website for specific sessions & dates.

Fundamental Fitness

This adult exercise class burns fat, tones muscles and strengthens your heart and lungs! Come join our instructor, Holly LaHood, for an hour class that includes walking, stretches, low impact exercises, resistant training with bands, balls and weights. (Participants should bring their own 1-5 pound weights.) Please check with your doctor before starting a new exercise program. AROGRAM Registration REQUIRED.



Classes are held on Tuesday & Thursday from 8:30-9:30am at the Recreation Center. Check our website for specific session & dates.

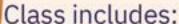


Thursdays, May 15-July 10

3:30-4:30pm The Barn at Bull Run 1020 E. Jackson St, Morton

Class is FREE - Registration required Ages 18 & up - enrollment is limited





- A Baritone ukulele to use for the class
- Lessons on how to play at least a dozen songs
- Personal instruction by Phil Kuhl, who has 50 years of playing experience

Participants can sign up online at www.mortonparkdistrict.com or in person at the park district office M-F 8:30am-noon & 1-5pm.

Questions, call the office at (309) 263-7429.

MORTON GOLDEN PUMPKINS

ACTIVITIES & FRIENDSHIPS & GAMES

MOM

9AM-NOON Bridge, Dominoes, & Pinochle

> **2nd Mon. of month 11:30am potluck**

TRUG

1PM Hand & Foot

MED

9AM
Dominoes
1PM
Euchre & Other Games

TW

3PM Variety of Games

Join us for FREE Senior Activities!

Golden Pumpkin Activities will be held at The Barn at Bull Run, 1020 E. Jackson St, Morton.

For updates or questions, call Susan at (309) 868-5742 or email her at seniorprograms@mortonparkdistrict.com

MORTON PARK DISTRICT

SENIOR BUS TRIP



WEDNESDAY JUNE 11, 2025

BUS WILL DEPART @7:30AM FROM THE BARN, 1020 E. JACKSON ST

BUS WILL RETURN @7:15PM



NO COST TO PARTICIPATE

ONLINE REGISTERATION REQUIRED

SPACE IS LIMITED

REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!

Join the Morton Golden Pumpkins as we take a trip to the Morton Arboretum

The Morton Arboretum is an internationally recognized tree-focused botanical garden and research center. Its 1,700 acres of beautiful tree-filled landscapes are a place of enjoyment, a vibrant hub for nature education, and a world-renowned center for scientific research that studies trees and how to sustain them. Its vision is a greener, healthier, more beautiful world where people and trees thrive together.

Don't miss this opportunity to experience the beauty of nature!

After the Arboretum we will spend a few hours at the Woodfield Mall in Schaumburg before heading back to The Barn in Morton.

What to bring: Money for lunch and snacks for the bus ride

What to consider: This trip requires average physical activity. You should be able to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven ground and cobblestoned streets.

Freedom Hall

Located at 349 W. Birchwood has two rooms available to rent.

<u>Large Meeting Room</u> is a meeting room that has a kitchen area with a seating capacity of 125 people. Great for family reunions, showers, business meetings, receptions and parties.

<u>Small Meeting Room</u> is a small room with a seating capacity of 35 people. (No kitchen available)



The Morton Park District rents out Freedom Hall, located at 349 W. Birchwood, Morton. It is available year-round on an hourly basis. Please call the administration office during office hours for more information on availability or to reserve a facility, (309) 263-7429. To secure a date, the rental application must be completed with the deposit, full rental payment and turned into the office.

Large Room Rental Fees

Resident (Non-Alcohol) Rental Fees (Due at time of reservation)

Affiliate Groups.......\$30/hr. (2hr./\$60 max.)
Resident Rental Rate......\$60/hr. (\$360 max.)

Non-Resident (Non-Alcohol) Rental Fees (Due at time of reservation)

Non-Resident Rental Rate......\$90/hr. (\$540 max.)

Resident (Alcohol) Rental Fees (Due at time of reservation)

Affiliate Groups.......\$60/hr. (2hr./\$120 max.)
Resident Alcohol Rental Rate.....\$120/hr. (\$720 max.)

Non-Resident (Alcohol) Rental Fees (Due at time of reservation)

Non-Resident Alcohol Rental Rate.....\$180/hr. (\$1,080 max.)

Non-Alcohol Deposit: A refundable damage and cleanup deposit of \$50.00 is required for Non-Alcohol rentals made payable at the time of reservation. Depositors forfeit \$25.00 of the deposit if rental is cancelled. Depositors forfeit the full deposit amount if rental is cancelled with less than 7 days notice.

Alcohol Deposit: A refundable damage and clean-up deposit of \$200.00 is required for Alcohol rentals made payable at the time of reservation. Depositors forfeit \$100.00 of the deposit if rental is cancelled. Depositors forfeit the full deposit amount if rental is cancelled with less than 7 days notice.

Use of the small meeting room (25'x30') - \$30/hr. for residents/ \$45/hr. for non-residents, (no additional charge if combined with a Large Room Rental if available).





1020 E. Jackson St., Morton, IL 61550











call for more details: ph: 309-263-7429 ext.6

Email Payton Aggen at: barnrentals@mortonparkdistrict.com Check us out on social media!

@thebarnatbullrunpark

(athebarnatbullrun)

Now Booking Weddings and Events through 2027!

2025 EVENT SCHEDULE



SUMMER 2025

TRIVIA NIGHT

GRAB YOUR TEAM AND JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF TRIVIA, SNACKS, AND FUN!

FALL 2025

COWBOYS & CUTIES

ENJOY THIS FALL-THEMED FATHER-DAUGHTER NIGHT OUT. WE'LL HAVE DANCING, SNACKS, AND MORE!

WINTER 2025

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO THE BARN AT BULL RUN! WE'LL HAVE CRAFTS, BREAKFAST, AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET SANTA HIMSELF.

2026

MORE EVENTS TO COME!

CHECK OUT OUR FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM FOR MORE INFORMATION ON UPCOMING EVENTS!









Saturday, July 26th 6:30pm-8pm

Doors open at 6pm

The Barn at Bull Run 1020 E. Jackson St.

\$120 per team

(when registering, only 1 person per team needs to register)

Heavy hors d'Oeuvres included

Cash Bar provided by Clink Bar and Events.

Register online at www.mortonparkdistrict.com.

Call the park office with any questions at (309)263-7429.

Registration opens on April 28, 2025

Enrollment is limited and will continue as long as openings exist







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Thursday, July 3 McClallen Park GATES OPEN @ 4PM

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— WEALTH ADVISORS — FIREWORKS @ DARK

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HEART OF ILLINOIS SPECIAL RECREATION ASSOCIATION





HISRA

Heart of Illinois Special Recreation Association (HISRA) provides inclusion services to people of all ages with a disability to participate in Morton Park District programs. Are you a person with a disability or have a child with a disability? Have you seen programs in the Morton Park District summer program guide that you or your child would be interested in, but wondered if participation was possible? Well, stop wondering! Call HISRA at 309-691-1929 to schedule an assessment. Upon reviewing your family's needs, HISRA's professional staff will work to integrate participants, adapt activities, and even provide additional support if necessary, so that you or your child can succeed in an inclusive setting. Minimum requirements apply. HISRA provides all inclusion services at no cost to residents of the Morton Park District.

As a cooperative network of 4 area park districts, HISRA has proudly provided quality recreation programs and inclusion services for more than 30 years. All programs and activities are supervised by trained staff who have received a thorough orientation including specifics on disabilities, leadership, safety, program adaptation, first aid and much, much more. Give us a call – HISRA can get you involved! www.hisra.org

INFORMATION-Youth Affiliate Athletic Groups

Morton Heat is a competitive travel basketball organization for boys and girls in 3rd through 6th grade through the Morton Basketball Association. Each grade level has two separate boys and girls teams which practice on weeknights and play games on weekends against area teams. Tryouts to be held in September - October. Specific tryout dates and times will be set in the summer. For more information, please visit our website at www.mortonheat.org





The Morton Girls Softball Association The Morton Girls Softball Association (MGSA) provides opportunities for girls ages pre-k to 16 years old to learn and enjoy the game of softball. We have programs for all skill levels from t-ball to advanced travel ball teams. Come see what's new and join in on the fun! Please visit www.mortongirlssoftball.com or contact mortongirlssoftball@gmail.com with questions!

Morton Youth Baseball Association offers in-house and travel baseball for T-ball/Pinto (ages 4-6), Coach Pitch / Maverick (ages 6-8), Mustang (ages 9-10), Bronco (ages 11-12), Pony (ages 13-14) and Colt (ages 15-17) You can register, volunteer to coach, and pay online at www.mortonyouthbaseball.org. You can also follow us on Facebook at Morton Youth Baseball Association to receive updates.





The Morton J.F.L. offers a fall program of tackle & flag football in a variety of ages and weight appropriate teams. Games are played at the J.F.L. fields located at Southwood Park. The program runs from July to late October with practice on weeknights and games on weekends against area teams. The Morton JFL website is www.mortonhogs.org. Questions: Contact Matt Chan (309) 231-4048 or director@mortonhogs.org.

Morton Park District Pumpkin Pickleball Tournament

Saturday, September 6
Birchwood Park
8am-8pm



Event Sponsored by:





The 15th annual Ledgestone Open once again takes place in Morton and surrounding cities August 14 through the 17th.

Northwood Park will once again be one of the featured courses for the biggest disc golf tournament in the world. 2,500 players and over 7,000 spectators will compete to become the Ledgestone Open. The event will be broadcast live by the Disc Golf Pro Tour.

For more information on the event, visit www.ledgestoneopen.com

Summer Sounds Begin June 12, 2025

























Free Thursday Night Concerts at the Phil & Barbara Kuhl Arts Pavilion, in Idlewood Park, Morton

Concerts Thursdays June 12 - July 31, - Start @6:30pm - Sandwiches, snacks & drinks for purchase starting at 6:00pm

6:30PM THU. JUNE 12 - JIM MARKUM SWING BAND 6:30PM THU, June 19-MIX TAPE MAYHEM 6:30PM THU, June 26-COUSIN EDDIE

WED., July 3-5:30-9:15PM AT MCCLALLEN PARK - STONE COLD COWBOYS

6:30PM THU, July 10-PEKIN PARK CONCERT BAND
6:30PM THU, July 17-VINYL TAP
6:30PM THU, July 24 - STILL SHINE
6:30PM THU, JULY 31 - CAPTAIN QUIRK

Live music, food, and fun for everyone!



Concerts sponsored in part by a grant from the Village of Morton Tourism Fund







Craig Mason

