

2024
Activities

Bellevue Parks & Recreation



Bellevue Recreation Department
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Bellevue, NE 68005

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CITY OF BELLEVUE

Mayor Rusty Hike

As Mayor of the City of Bellevue, I am proud to introduce our 2024 schedule of recreational activities. Our city offers various programs for all participants, regardless of age. This brochure is distributed throughout our community and is designed to acquaint our citizens with the various programs available.

The City of Bellevue recreational programs are made available to increasing numbers of our younger citizens, due to the unselfish sharing of time and talent from volunteers. We hope all the people of Bellevue and the surrounding areas will enjoy the recreational opportunities and the numerous park facilities available for your use.

Please call the Recreation Department if you have questions concerning the recreation activities (402) 293-3142.

Sincerely,



Mayor
City of Bellevue

City Council

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The mission of the Bellevue Parks and Recreation Departments is to continue enhancing Bellevue's quality of life through recreational programs and welcoming parks.

Registration Information

Registration Opens: Please mark your calendar for these registration dates. You can register online or at the Recreation Department (Reed Center).

- **Spring Activities: February 12th**
- **Summer Activities: March 18th**
- **Fall Activities: July 8th**

Swimming Lesson Registrations will be taken at the Recreation Department (Reed Center) 1200 Lord Blvd. Monday – Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Call the Recreation Department for more information at (402) 293-3142
or email jim.shada@bellevue.net

REMEMBER . . . Register *EARLY* — This will guarantee you a place in the program.

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Thanks to our 2023 Youth Volunteer Coaches

Jr. T-Ball

Coach Donoho
Coach Donner
Coach Eversole
Coach Henry
Coach Moyer
Coach Sabella
Coach Sherman
Coach Springer
Coach Smith
Coach Tomanek
Coach Wolf

Coach Pitch

Coach Barnum
Coach Buckley
Coach Cooper
Coach Evans
Coach Nigro-Lavanger
Coach Lickly
Coach Menke
Coach Minzer
Coach Reavis
Coach Reineke
Coach Samuelson
Coach Smith

Juniors

Coach Armstrong
Coach Fullerton
Coach Hansen
Coach Koth
Coach Predoehl

Mini

Coach Brooks
Coach Faust
Coach Rachow
Coach Westman

T-Ball

Coach Becar
Coach Fanzone
Coach Harlow
Coach Lee
Coach Minzer
Coach Persson
Coach Sexson
Coach Smith
Coach Smolinski
Coach Strawn
Coach Weitz

Pitching Machine

Coach Barber
Coach Cunningham
Coach Hynek
Coach Lemm
Coach Lingbloom

Midget

Coach Costello
Coach Lemken
Coach Mosher
Coach Schaffer
Coach Weaver

Mite/Minor

Coach Bright-Zell
Coach Chandler
Coach Cooper
Coach Menke
Coach Smith

Soccer & Flag Football

Coach Bollinger (S)
Coach Hagen-Mercier (S)
Coach Lemm (FF)
Coach Mizner (S)
Coach Puett (S)

PARENT COACHES ARE NEEDED!

Our Youth Activity Programs cannot be offered without parental involvement. If you are interested in coaching, please check the appropriate box on your child's registration form.

WE APPRECIATE YOUR HELP



Spring Youth Soccer League

Boys & Girls ages 4 – 8 years old Fee: \$40 (Includes T-Shirt)

Practice & Games will be held on Saturday mornings from 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. at Baldwin Field April 6th – May 4th
The main objectives are to teach soccer fundamentals, stress good sportsmanship & to **HAVE FUN!**



Spring Youth Flag Football League

Boys & Girls 2nd – 6th Grade Fee: \$40 (Includes T-Shirt)

Practice & games will be held on Monday evenings at Baldwin Field April 8th – May 6th 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
The main objectives are to teach football fundamentals, stress good sportsmanship & to **HAVE FUN!**

A special thank you to Erwin's Jewelry, State Farm – Matt Ricchini, and Cake Expressions Inc. for their support of our youth activities!

Baseball/Softball Pitching 101

Boys & Girls ages 10 – 14-year-old. Fee: \$20

In these pitching clinics you will learn the fundamentals for pitching, learn proper throwing mechanics, and proper windup mechanics.
Each class is at the Lied Activity Center in the batting cages.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAYS</u>	<u>CLASS</u>	<u>TIME</u>
April 16 & 18	Tues. & Thurs.	Baseball	6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
April 16 & 18	Tues. & Thurs.	Softball	7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
April 23 & 25	Tues. & Thurs.	Baseball	6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
April 23 & 25	Tues. & Thurs.	Softball	7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
April 30 & May 2	Tues. & Thurs.	Baseball	6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
April 30 & May 2	Tues. & Thurs.	Softball	7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
May 7 & 9	Tues. & Thurs.	Baseball	6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
May 7 & 9	Tues. & Thurs.	Softball	7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
May 14 & 16	Tues. & Thurs.	Baseball	6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
May 14 & 16	Tues. & Thurs.	Softball	7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.



The eight laws of learning are explanation, demonstration, imitation, repetition, repetition, repetition, repetition, and repetition.

John Wooden

Little League Baseball & Softball

Notice: Registration after May 3rd will be limited to availability of placement on teams.



LEAGUE AND TEAM PLACEMENT: Teams will be organized by elementary school zones or the elementary/middle school that your child attends. Brothers and sisters will be placed on the same team for Junior T-Ball, T-Ball and Coach Pitch. We recommend registering as early as possible to ensure proper placement. Determining age cutoff for league play is Aug. 1, 2024. Example: For Coach Pitch eligibility (ages 7 – 8) a player must not turn 9 years old before Aug. 1, 2024. A child past the age cutoff must move to an older league, or “move up”; they may not “move down” a league.

<u>League</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Game Days</u>	<u>Game Times</u>	<u>Fees</u>
Junior T-Ball	Boys/Girls	3 – 4 yrs.	Saturdays	Mornings	\$30
T-Ball	Boys/Girls	5 – 6 yrs.	Saturdays	Mornings	\$40
Coach Pitch	Boys/Girls	7 – 8 yrs.	Saturdays	Mornings	\$40
Pitching Machine	Boys	9 – 10 yrs.	M & W	Evenings	\$45
Midget Baseball	Boys	11 – 12 yrs.	M & W	Evenings	\$45
Junior Baseball	Boys	13 – 14 yrs.	M & W	Evenings	\$45
Mini Softball	Girls	9 – 10 yrs.	M & W	Evenings	\$45
Mite Softball	Girls	11 – 12 yrs.	M & W	Evenings	\$45
Minor Softball	Girls	13 – 14 yrs.	M & W	Evenings	\$45

***Junior T-Ball 3 – 4-year-old league will be played for 5 weeks beginning June 1st. Practice and play lead-up game from 10:00 – 10:45 a.m. Limited space available so register early.**

UNIFORMS: T-shirts and hats will be provided for T-Ball, Coach Pitch, Pitching Machine, Midget, and Junior teams. Girls’ Mini, Mite, and Minor Softball teams will receive T-shirts and visors.

PRACTICE AND PLAYING DATES: Players will be contacted starting the middle of May. Practice times and sites will be determined by the coaches. Play will begin May 29th – July 22nd.

GAME FIELDS: Baseball/Softball games are played at Baldwin Field located on Ludwig Dr. and Haworth Park on Payne Dr.

Pitch, Hit (Home Run Derby), and Run

Come test your skills with our Pitch, Hit, and Run Event! Participates will be able to showcase their arm accuracy, (Strike zone), their speed (running the bases), and their hitting strength (Home Run Derby).

This event is open to boys and girls ages 7 – 14.

Friday, June 21st 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. @ Baldwin Field

Registration Fee: 1 can of food to be donated to the Bellevue Food Pantry.



A special thank you to Beardmore Chevrolet – Subaru, Kiwanis Club of Bellevue, Avery Rent, Inc. and State Farm for co-sponsoring our Youth Baseball and Softball Programs.

Bellevue Recreation Track Club

Fee: \$40 per person. Age: 5 – 18 years old

This regionally recognized Track Program will meet Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday every week for practices from 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at the Bellevue East High School Track beginning Monday, May 6th. Track Club members will have an opportunity to compete in local track meets as well as enter Junior Olympic track meets. All competitive and recreational runners can join.

2024 Track Club Schedule

Locations TBD

May 4

May 11

May 18

May 25

June 1

June 8

June 12 – 15

June 26 – 29

July 5 – 8

July 22 – 28

A special thank you to Rising View for sponsoring out Track Club.

Youth Sport Camp

Youth 2nd – 8th Grade

Fee: \$35 or attend both sessions \$45 (Includes T-shirt)

Held May 28th – May 31st @ Bellevue East Gym

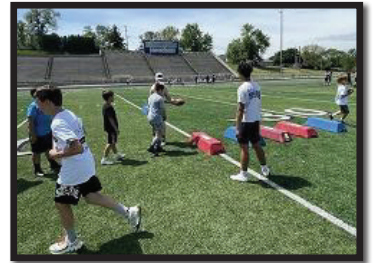
Session I: Girls Volleyball 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Session II: Boys Football 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Session II: Girls Basketball 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Nutritious snacks will be served between clinic sessions!

Special emphasis on **FUND**amentals.



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Church League Softball



For additional information concerning Men's and Coed Church League Slow Pitch Softball, please contact the Recreation Department at (402) 293-3142. **Leagues begin play June 1st. Entry Fee – \$70.**

LEAGUE:

Men's Slow Pitch
Coed Slow Pitch

DAY:

Saturdays
Saturdays

FIELD:

Haworth
Haworth

Tennis Lessons

Fee: \$25 Juniors (6 – 17 years old) \$30 Adults (18 years and over)

Bellevue Recreation tennis instructors are dedicated to providing a fun and teaching environment for all participants. Beginner tennis players will learn the four basic stances for forehand and backhand, the correct footwork, and the grip and swing of a tennis racket.

“The most important rule of tennis is to have fun.”– Bill Batchelor

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>DAYS</u>	<u>CLASS</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>COURT ADDRESS</u>
June 3 – 7	Everett Park	M – F	Junior Beginner	9 – 10 a.m.	Everett Park – Betz Rd. & Englewood Dr.
June 3 – 7	Everett Park	M – F	Junior Beginner	10 – 11 a.m.	
June 10 – 14	Stonecroft	M – F	Junior Beginner	9 – 10 a.m.	Stonecroft – 25 th & Lynnwood Dr.
June 10 – 14	Stonecroft	M – F	Junior Beginner	10 – 11 a.m.	
June 17 – 21	East High School	M – F	Junior Beginner	9 – 10 a.m.	East High School – Lincoln Rd. & Harvell Dr.
June 17 – 21	East High School	M – F	*Junior Advanced	10 – 11 a.m.	
June 24 – 28	Everett Park	M – F	Junior Beginner	9 – 10 a.m.	Everett Park – Betz Rd. & Englewood Dr.
June 24 – 28	Everett Park	M – F	Junior Beginner	10 – 11 a.m.	
July 1 – 5	McCann Park	M – F	Junior Beginner	9 – 10 a.m.	McCann Park – Marian & Harrington
July 1 – 5	McCann Park	M – F	Junior Beginner	10 – 11 a.m.	
July 8 – 12	Lakewood Villages	M – F	Junior Beginner	9 – 10 a.m.	Lakewood Villages – Timberridge Dr.
July 8 – 12	Lakewood Villages	M – F	*Junior Advanced	10 – 11 a.m.	

No lessons on Wednesday, June 19th and Thursday, July 4th.

***Junior Advanced – completed Junior Beginner and consistently keeps the ball in play using the fundamental strokes, which are the serve, forehand and backhand groundstroke, forehand and backhand volley, and overhead smash.**



Free Tennis Play Day

Come Learn and Play the Fun Sport of Tennis.

Free Event for All Youth Ages 6 – 14

Held at Bellevue East Tennis Courts

July 15th 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Rain Date – July 16th 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

*Prizes will be Available for all Participants!

Swimming Lessons

Notice: After classes begin on June 10th, registrations will only be taken at Dowding Pool during lessons times Monday – Thursday.

Please Note: 1st and 2nd Sessions: Swimming Lessons will be held on Friday, June 21st (1st Session) and Friday, July 5th (2nd Session) not on June 19th (1st Session) and July 4th (2nd Session).

Location: Lessons are taught at Dowding Pool.



First Session **June 10 – 21** **Dowding Pool (no lessons on 6/19/24)**

Second Session **June 24 – July 5** **Dowding Pool (no lessons on 7/4/24)**

Third Session **July 8 – 18** **Dowding Pool (no evening lessons)**

Fee: \$40 A Child Per Session

Classes Taught:

PRESCHOOL (3 – 4 years old; Water Exploration)	LEVEL IV	(Stroke Development)
LEVEL I (5 years old; Water Exploration)	LEVEL V	(Stroke Refinement)
LEVEL II (Primary Skills)	LEVEL VI	(Skills Proficiency)
LEVEL III (Stroke Readiness)	LEVEL VII	(Jr. Lifeguard)

*Please see the following page for information and answers to questions regarding skills classification. Also, someone will be available at registration to answer any other questions you may have.

FIRST SESSION

June 10 – 21

LEVEL II	10:00 a.m.
LEVEL III	10:00 a.m.
LEVEL V	10:00 a.m.
LEVEL VI	10:00 a.m.
LEVEL I	10:30 a.m.
PRESCHOOL	11:00 a.m.
LEVEL II	11:00 a.m.
LEVEL III	11:00 a.m.
LEVEL IV	11:00 a.m.
LEVEL I	11:30 a.m.

LEVEL I	6:00 p.m.
LEVEL II	6:00 p.m.
LEVEL III	6:00 p.m.
PRESCHOOL	6:30 p.m.
LEVEL II	7:00 p.m.
LEVEL IV	7:00 p.m.
LEVEL V	7:00 p.m.
LEVEL VI	7:00 p.m.

SECOND SESSION

June 24 – July 5

LEVEL II	10:00 a.m.
LEVEL III	10:00 a.m.
LEVEL V	10:00 a.m.
LEVEL VI	10:00 a.m.
LEVEL I	10:30 a.m.
PRESCHOOL	11:00 a.m.
LEVEL II	11:00 a.m.
LEVEL III	11:00 a.m.
LEVEL IV	11:00 a.m.
LEVEL I	11:30 a.m.

LEVEL I	6:00 p.m.
LEVEL II	6:00 p.m.
LEVEL III	6:00 p.m.
PRESCHOOL	6:30 p.m.
LEVEL II	7:00 p.m.
LEVEL IV	7:00 p.m.
LEVEL V	7:00 p.m.
LEVEL VI	7:00 p.m.

THIRD SESSION

July 8 – 18

LEVEL II	10:00 a.m.
LEVEL III	10:00 a.m.
LEVEL V	10:00 a.m.
LEVEL VI	10:00 a.m.
LEVEL VII	10:00 a.m.
LEVEL I	10:30 a.m.
PRESCHOOL	11:00 a.m.
LEVEL II	11:00 a.m.
LEVEL III	11:00 a.m.
LEVEL IV	11:00 a.m.
LEVEL I	11:30 a.m.

CLASSES ARE TAUGHT MONDAY – THURSDAY AND ARE 45 MINUTES IN LENGTH. PRESCHOOL AND LEVEL 1 ARE 25 MINUTES IN LENGTH. LESSONS ARE SPONSORED SOLELY BY THE CITY OF BELLEVUE RECREATION DEPARTMENT. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL (402) 293-3142.

Learn To Swim

Preschool:

1. 5 bobs to the chin
2. Blow bubbles
3. Supported front & back float
4. Supported kicking on front & back
5. Demonstrate alternating arm action for 5 seconds
6. Move 2 yards along the side of the pool
7. Safety skills

Level 1:

1. 10 rhythmic bobs to chin
2. Blow bubbles from nose
3. Fully submerge face for 3 seconds
4. Supported back & front float
5. Supported kicking on front & back
6. Supported front & back crawl
7. Enter and exit the water independently
8. Jump to instructor from side
9. Safety skills

Level 2:

1. Breath holding underwater, 3 seconds
 2. Retrieve object from the bottom of the pool
 3. Fully submerged bobs, 10 times in rhythm
 4. Front & back float, 5 seconds
 5. Flutter kick on front & back
 6. Front & back crawl, 5 yards
 7. Elementary backstroke, 5 yards
 8. Turn over into back float
 9. Safety skills
- **jumping into water above head & independently returning to the wall**

Level 3:

1. Jump into deep water from side
2. 15 rhythmic bobs
3. Front & back glide with push off
4. Front & back crawl, 10 yards
5. Elementary backstroke, 10 yards
6. Dive from side, kneeling or in compact position
7. Tread water 30 seconds
8. Demonstrate breathing to the side
(side of the pool/with kickboard/introduce within stroke)
9. Safety skills

Level 4:

1. 10 deep water bobs
2. Standing front dive
3. Elementary backstroke, 10 yards
4. Sculling on back, 5 yards
5. Freestyle, 25 yards (with breathing to the side)
6. Backstroke, 25 yards
7. Breaststroke & Sidestroke kick, 10 yards
8. Tread water, 2 minutes
9. Safety skills

Level 5:

1. Long shallow dive
2. Breaststroke & Sidestroke, 10 yards
3. Swim underwater, 10 yards (encourage long breath holding)
4. Elementary backstroke, 25 yards
5. Dolphin kick, 10 yards
6. Freestyle & backstroke, 50 yards
7. Introduce flip turn
8. Tread water 3 minutes
9. Safety skills

Level 6:

1. Freestyle with flip turn, 100 yards
2. Backstroke with flip turn, 100 yards
3. Breaststroke & Sidestroke, 25 yards
4. Butterfly, 10 yards
5. Approach Stroke, 25 yards
6. Breaststroke speed turn with pull out
7. Pike & tuck surface dives
8. Tread water for 3 minutes, 1 minute - no hands
9. Safety skills

Level 7:

1. Reaching and throwing assists
2. Stride jump entry
3. Entries, how and when to use
4. Pike, tuck, and feet first surface dives
5. Distressed, active and passive rescues
6. Health and pool sanitation
7. Emergency action plans
8. Spinal injury management
9. Rotation and relieving guards
10. 10 minute continuous swim
11. Retrieving 10 lb. brick from 9 ft
12. Safety skills

Philosophy & Objectives: The Bellevue Recreation Department's first consideration is to always provide for the safety of the students. Thus, our objective is to provide a positive, happy experience for all students. Experiences that are positive will reinforce the child's willingness & confidence to strive while in or around water. Focus on specific instruction on pertinent skills, as well as safety & preventive skills, will be emphasized strongly throughout the course.

Swimming Pools

Swim and play in Bellevue's three municipal pools!

Pools will open daily on May 28th. Pools will remain open through the second week of August.

Monday – Saturday: Noon – 6:45 p.m.

Sunday: Noon – 5:45 p.m.

Daily Swim Fee

Youth (18 yr. – Under)	\$3.00
Adult (19 yr. & Over)	\$5.00
Wading Pool (2 yr. – Adult)	\$2.00
Seniors (55 yr. & Older)	Free

Pool Parties

Pool Rental Fee \$130

Lifeguard Fees (2) \$60

Senior Citizen – Open Swim

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Jerry Gilbert Pool Mon., Wed., and Fri.

Fee: Free

Please make reservations for pool parties at the pool where the party will be held.

Pool Parties: Cascio – Friday and Saturday & Dowding and Gilbert - Saturday and Sunday.

Friday and Saturday times are 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. & Sundays times are 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

***LOCATIONS, POOL HOURS, AND PHONE NUMBERS OF OUR THREE MUNICIPAL POOLS**

Cascio Pool

(402) 293-3149

1500 Lawrence Ln.

Wed. Noon-8:45 p.m.

Dowding Pool

(402) 293-3150

14th & Washington

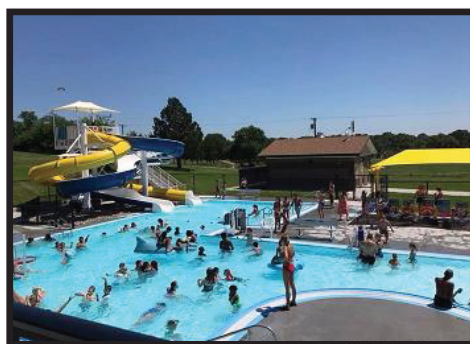
Thurs. Noon-8:45 p.m.

Gilbert Pool

(402) 293-3151

29th & Jackson

Tues., Noon – 8:45 p.m.



Season Pool Pass

Youth Pass	\$50
Adult Pass	\$60
Family Pass	\$135

Adult – Toddler Open Swim

Cascio Pool 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Fridays, June 7th – August 2nd

Ages: Birth – 6 yrs.

Fee – \$1 under 2 is Free

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Registration for Fall Activities begins July 8th.



Community Fishing Event

The City of Bellevue is excited to be chosen as one of the locations for a Community Fishing Night, which is sponsored by Nebraska Game and Parks Department.

This event will be held at American Heroes Park Lake at a date, to be determined later.

Free instruction and loaner equipment such as rods, reels and bait will be available for participants.

For more information, please contact the Bellevue Recreation Department at 402-293-3142!



Music in the Parks

Music in the Parks will be performed every Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. for nine weeks beginning May 30th at Washington Park. The park is located at 20th & Franklin Streets. The Recreation Department co-sponsors the concerts with the Omaha Musician's Association Local 70-558. Concerts are approximately one hour long. No admission is charged.



Concert Schedule

Bands TBD

May 30
June 6
June 13
June 20
June 27
July 11
July 18
July 25
Aug. 1



Historical Buildings & Reed Community Center

Tours of the Fontenelle Bank, Log Cabin, Olde Presbyterian Church, Depot, and the Bellevue Cemetery are available free of charge. The Reed Community Center is available for wedding receptions, banquets, and anniversaries for up to 250 people.

***Call the Reed Center at (402) 293-3142 for information on tours & reservations.**

A photograph of a splash pad at a park. Several children are playing in the water, which is spraying from various colorful structures like arches and vertical pipes. A picnic shelter is visible in the background.

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