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PLAYBOOK

A GUIDE TO NORTH PORT PARKS & RECREATION

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For weather-related closures, visit: NorthPortFL.gov/WeatherAlerts

ORE RESTORE

OUR VISION

To be a recognized leader in providing parks, facilities, and programs that increase wellness and enrich life experiences within our community.

OUR MISSION

To promote healthy and socially rewarding activities through the preservation of cultural resources and the provision of diverse high-quality parks and natural spaces.



Rising Stars basketball program

OUR THREE PILLARS

We support the **National Recreation and Park Association** stance that recreation is essential to mental and physical health. On any given day, someone is positively affected through parks and recreation—whether they are taking a walk on a trail, participating in a fitness class at the community center, or just enjoying the benefits of clean air and water in preserved open space.

LOOK FOR THE ICONS

Throughout this guide, look for the icons below to find programs that support the following pillars:



CONSERVATION

Protecting open space, connecting children to nature, and engaging communities in conservation practices.



EQUITY

Ensuring all people have access to the benefits of local parks and recreation.



HEALTH & WELLNESS

Leading the nation to improved health and wellness through parks and recreation.

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PARKS & RECREATION MEASURING OUR IMPACT

According to the **National Recreation and Park Association's *Engagement with Parks*** report, 87% of people agree that Parks & Recreation is an important service within their community. Parks promote health and wellness, drive economic activity, strengthen community ties, and bring diverse populations together. Parks positively impact the lives of millions of people every day.

North Port is dedicated to building strong, vibrant, resilient communities through the power of parks and recreation. We understand that our work is vital to establishing and maintaining a high quality of life in our city. Our team is passionate about our work and meeting or exceeding the level-of-service expectations of our community. See page 33.

REGISTRATION

additional info

REGISTRATION PLANNING

Advance registration is recommended for all activities, as programs often reach capacity limits early.

Important Registration Note Concerning Accounts:

Parks & Recreation programs that require registration also require each person wishing to enroll register with his or her own account (or with a family account). Note that when an individual is logged into the system, **only those programs which are age-appropriate for the logged-in person's account** will be shown. If you cannot find the program for which you wish to enroll, please ensure that you are logged into the account of the person you wish to register. To create a registration account, please go to:

bit.ly/NorthPortRec.

REGISTRATION PAYMENT & WAIVERS

Payment in full and a signed waiver are required to process registration. Activities subject to **resident** or **non-resident** fees are designated with an **Res.** or **N-Res.**

REGISTRATION SEARCH & SIGN UP

Where possible, we have supplied a QR code for additional information or a registration link to make navigating to your programs and interests online as easy as possible. Alternatively, to search for programs that are currently accepting registration, go to: bit.ly/NorthPortRec.

OTHER REGISTRATION METHODS

For most programs, you can also register in person at:

George Mullen Activity Center (GMAC)

1602 Kramer Way, North Port, FL 34286

Morgan Family Community Center (MFCC)

6207 W. Price Blvd., North Port, FL 34291

North Port Aquatic Center (NPAC)

6205 W. Price Blvd., North Port, FL 34291

Adapted Fun! *Catch the WAVE!* ≡

Events or programs with a WAVE symbol (≡) indicate that the program has an adaptive component for improving sensory experiences.

[**WAVE:** With Adaptation or Variation of Environment]

FORMATION & Information

CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS

The City of North Port reserves the right to cancel, postpone or combine classes or change instructors to best provide services. Refunds will not be issued for individual class meeting dates that participants are unable to attend. Full or prorated refunds may be approved if any activity or program is canceled because of insufficient enrollment, emergencies, instructor hardship, facility repairs, or inclement weather; or due to injury, a family hardship, relocation, or a schedule change which would prohibit participation; or a participant presents a written recommendation from a doctor indicating that the individual should withdraw from an activity or program.



North Port's Got Talent

Refunds of facility rental fees may be provided if notice of cancellation is submitted by the required time prior to the event. Cancellation fees may apply. Excluding meetings, a refundable security deposit is required for most rentals. A refund of the security deposit will be processed after the event if the venue is clean and without damage and the key has been returned (as applicable). Refunds for camp and installment billing memberships follow separate policies.

PHOTOS/VIDEOS

Please note that activities organized by the City may, from time to time, be photographed or recorded for activity guides, websites, marketing or other promotions, including the taking of group pictures or photographing or videotaping by the media. Due to the public nature of our programs and facilities, we cannot be responsible for photographs or videos taken by the media or others. We will, however, do our best to make arrangements in response to your stated needs. Should concerns arise, please contact Parks & Recreation at: **941-429-PARK(7275)**.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, JOIN OUR EMAIL LIST!

To receive email notifications for Parks & Recreation Department events and happenings, interested individuals can sign up at: NorthPortFL.gov/ParksAndRecreation.



LOCATION KEY

ACP	Atwater Community Park
BHP	Blue Heron Park
BRP	Blue Ridge Park
BP	Butler Park
CC	Canine Club Dog Park
CCFG	City Center Front Green
DWP	Dallas White Park
GFS	Garden of the Five Senses
GMAC	George Mullen Activity Center
HRP	Highland Ridge Park
HP	Hope Park
KP	Kirk Park
LBP	LaBrea Park
LT	Larry Thoennissen Athletic Fields
MAR	Marina Park
MP	Marius Park
MKP	McKibben Park
MFCC	Morgan Family Community Center
MCEP	Myakkahatchee Creek Env. Park
NSC	Narramore Sports Complex
NPAC	North Port Aquatic Center
NPSH	Scout House
NPSP	Skate Park
OP	Oaks Park
PP	Pine Park
SBLP	Sumter Blvd. Linear Park
VP	Veterans Park
WMSP	Warm Mineral Springs Park

Explore the Great Outdoors

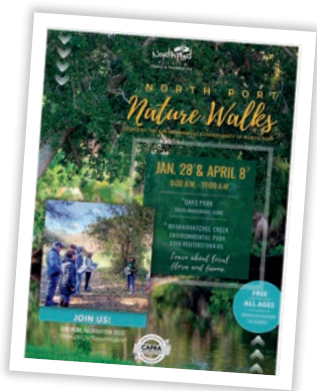


According to the **National Recreation and Park Association**, the nation's public parks and recreation professionals are leaders in improving the overall health and wellness of the nation and champions in connecting people to the outdoors. On any given day, someone is positively affected through parks and recreation – whether they are taking a walk on a trail or just reaping the benefits of clean air and water because of preserved open space. North Port's parks and open spaces play a critical role in maintaining healthy ecosystems, preserving natural resources and providing wildlife habitats.

The City has a rich heritage with significant archaeological and historical sites, beautiful natural springs and more than 80-miles of freshwater canals. Known for its youthful mindset, visitors and residents in the City can enjoy hiking, horseback riding, bird watching, mountain biking, paddling and much more!

CONNECT WITH NATURE

North Port's unique environment provides the perfect outdoor playground to experience and appreciate nature, so it's no surprise that our residents have been asking for more outdoor programming and amenities over the past few years in the annual Community Input Survey! To meet your needs, Parks and Recreation is working to expand these types of offerings. This past year, our team partnered with the Environmental Conservancy of North Port to provide quarterly **Outdoor Nature Walks** at our pristine natural area parks. These free walks include a local guide – who teaches attendees about native Florida flora and fauna. See page 21 to learn more!



If you're passionate about pollinators, plan a visit to the **Garden of the Five Senses!** We've partnered with local **Eagle Scout candidates** to construct a pollinator hotel to help the park's plants and fruit trees. Interested in more hands-on approach?

We're in need of citizen scientists to help with our future Parks 4 Pollinators Bioblitz to be held at the **Myakkahatchee Creek Environmental Park!** The BioBlitz is an event where volunteers take and upload photos of wildlife found at the park, which will help the City learn more about pollinators in the area. No experience is necessary and onsite training will be provided to all volunteers.



You can learn more by signing up for our email notifications at NorthPortFL.gov/ParksAndRecreation.



Our popular **Learn to 'Yak'** program, organized by the North Port Aquatic Center, provides another opportunity to get outdoors and hone your paddling and water safety skills so you can enjoy our beautiful blueways!

Learn more or register today at NorthPortFL.gov/Pool.



Prefer exploring solo? You can discover more of what North Port has to offer in our award-winning **Outdoor Adventure Guide!** A digital version is available online at NorthPortFL.gov/Playbook.



FIND YOUR PATH

A new trail is coming to North Port! On Sept. 2, the City held a ceremonial groundbreaking for the **Myakkahatchee Creek Greenway Nature Trail!** This one-mile passive walking trail is the first phase of the Myakkahatchee Creek Greenway Master Plan that was approved in 2007. The accessible trail has been engineered to avoid wetland impacts wherever possible, minimize overlap with the existing primitive bike trail, mitigate the impact to existing vegetation and native trees, and preserve and enhance the natural scenic features along the greenway. Learn more at NorthPortFL.gov/Trail.

MAKE TIME FOR A DISC GOLF PAR-TEE

Are you part of the disc golf revolution? If so, you'll be pleased to know that work has begun on a nine-hole course in the Myakkahatchee Creek Greenway along North Port Blvd., between Greenwood Ave. and Appomattox Blvd. The **Myakkahatchee Creek Greenway Disc Golf Course** meets the guidelines established by the Professional Disc Golf Association and is designed to include a footprint that has minimal impact to the environment. For the latest on that project, visit NorthPortFL.gov/DiscGolf.



GET INVOLVED

Is your organization, club or business looking for a way to get involved in your community? Through the City of North Port's **Adopt-A-Park** program, volunteers can partner with the Parks and Recreation Department to help provide general maintenance and care of neighborhood parks, facilities, landscaped areas, nature trails and other public areas.

To volunteer, call **941-429-PARK(7275)**.



SPECIAL EVENTS CALENDAR

Monthly Special Events listings at a glance.

JANUARY

- Rockin' Run & Roll (see page 8).....Jan. 14
- Kids Fun Run (see page 8)Jan. 14
- Movie on the Green (see page 8).....Jan. 27

FEBRUARY

- Gulf Coast Games Bag Toss (see pages 8 & 18) Feb. 1
- Community Yard Sale (see page 9) Feb. 4
- Newcomer Day (see page 9)..... Feb. 4
- Woofstock (see page 36)..... Feb. 11
- Say I Do Again (see page 9) Feb. 11
- Movie on the Green (see page 8)..... Feb. 17

MARCH

- Book Swap (see page 9) March 3
- Tea Time (see page 10) March 4
- Community Yard Sale (see page 9) March 18
- Movie on the Green (see page 8)..... March 24
- Flashlight Egg Hunt (see page 10) March 31

APRIL

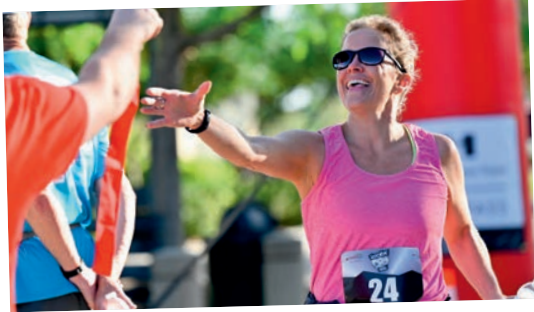
- Egg-Normous Egg Hunt (see page 11)April 1
- Dog-Gone Egg Hunt (see page 36)April 12
- Parks Rx Day (see page 10)..... April 15
- Aloha NPAC Adult Luau (see page 13) April 29

MAY

- Concert in the Park (see page 12)..... May 5
- Splash into Summer/MayDay (see page 13)..... May 6
- Newcomer Day (see page 9)..... May 6
- North Port's Got Talent (see page 12) May 13
- Kids to Parks Day (see page 12)..... May 20

JUNE

- Beat the Heat Sunset Swim (see page 13)..... June 9
- World's Largest Swimming Lesson (see page 13) June 22



FIFTH ANNUAL ROCKIN' RUN AND ROLL & KIDS FUN RUN*

This inclusive event is open to everyone with the goal of getting people of all ages and abilities to participate and have fun! The first 200 participants will receive a finisher's medal, bib, shirt & special giveaways. For information on packet-pick-up and awards, visit NorthPortFL.gov/5K. The *Kids Fun Run* is free and begins at 10 a.m.

Vendors interested in participating in this event can pick up applications at either the George Mullen Activity Center or Morgan Family Community Center or visit: NorthPortFL.gov/5K. For more information call 941-429-PARK (7275).

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Saturday	Jan. 14	8 a.m.	All	\$25 through 1/13/23; \$30 race day
Location Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd.				
Registration RunSignUp.com/NPSK				

GULF COAST GAMES

Qualifying Event for Adults 50+

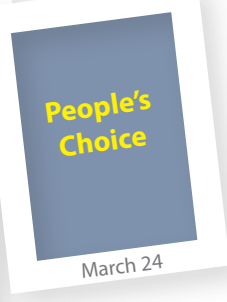
Rockin' Run and Roll 5K serves as a **Gulf Coast Games** qualifying event. See page 18 for more information on Gulf Coast Games events or visit SCgov.net/Parks for more information.



MOVIES ON THE GREEN

Enjoy a free movie under the stars! Bring your chair or blanket to this family-friendly event, concessions will be available for purchase. Seating opens one hour prior to sunset.

Movie	Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Minions: The Rise of Gru	Friday	Jan. 27	6:30 p.m.	All	FREE
Sing 2	Friday	Feb. 17	6:45 p.m.	All	FREE
People's Choice	Friday	March 24	7:45 p.m.	All	FREE
Location		City Center Front Green, 4970 City Hall Blvd.			
Registration		None			



SPECIAL EVENTS
REGISTRATION
INFORMATION

To enroll in Special Event programs that need preregistration, please scan the QR code or visit the registration link below.

Enrollment link: <https://bit.ly/NPPRSpecialEvents>



COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Have you been wanting to clean your garage of items you just don't want anymore? For the seller, here is an opportunity to clean house, socialize with neighbors and make a few extra dollars. For the buyer, find those special items and deals you've been looking for all in one convenient location! If inclement weather occurs, the rain date will be the next weekend. Call 941-429-PARK (7275) for more information or visit NorthPortFL.gov/YardSale.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Saturday	Feb. 4	8 a.m.-noon	All	FREE to Shoppers
Saturday	March 18	8 a.m.-noon	All	FREE to Shoppers

Location City Center Front Green, 4970 City Hall Blvd.

Seller Registration NorthPortFL.gov/YardSale **Seller Fee** \$10/space; \$5/table



SAY I DO AGAIN

In partnership with Kiwanis, join North Port Parks & Recreation in the beautiful setting of the Garden of Five Senses to renew your wedding vows. Enjoy a toast, pictures and music. All couples receive a goodie bag and vow renewal certificate. Couples interested can register online at NorthPortFL.gov/SayIDo or call 941-429-PARK (7275) for assistance. A portion of the proceeds will support youth scholarship programs.

Ceremony Type	Day	Date	Time	Check-in Time	Fee
Casual/Come as You Are	Saturday	Feb. 11	4-7 p.m.	3:30 p.m.	\$15

Location Garden of the Five Senses, 4299 Pan American Blvd.

Registration Begins Dec. 5; preregistration is recommended



NEWCOMER DAY

Offered in collaboration with the North Port Area Chamber of Commerce, this free expo-like event features information tables staffed by more than 60 community organizations, government agencies and local businesses. Anyone interested in learning more about North Port is invited. Nonprofit organizations interested in promoting services to the community can call 941-429-PARK (7275) to register.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Saturday	Feb. 4	10 a.m.-noon	All	FREE
Saturday	May 6	10 a.m.-noon	All	FREE

Location George Mullen Activity Center, 1602 Kramer Way

Registration Required for vendors



BOOK SWAP

Looking for your next great read? Drop off your slightly used, in-good-condition books at our annual Book Swap (audio books/board games/DVDs/and complete puzzles are also acceptable). For every item you drop off, you will get to pick out a new-to-you item from the swap. VHS tapes, outdated textbooks, and materials with inappropriate content will not be accepted.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Friday	March 3	6-8 p.m.	All	FREE

Location Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd.

Registration Drop off your items to register from Feb. 27 - March 2, 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.





TEA TIME

Don't be late for this very important date where we journey to Wonderland for our Spring Tea Time! Children and families are encouraged to dress up for this event. There will be special treats, magical photo stations, themed games and more. Space is limited.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Saturday	March 4	11 a.m.-noon	7 and under	\$10/child (child & adult); \$3 add'l person
Location George Mullen Activity Center, 1602 Kramer Way				
Registration Required in advance				

FLASHLIGHT EGG HUNT ≡

Ode to the Night Hunt!
The sun has set and the moon shines bright;
Join us for an egg hunt at night.
Bring your flashlight and a basket to fill;
It's so egg-citing you can't sit still!

Come join us to search for thousands of glow-in-the-dark eggs! Arrive early to find your spot and grab a picture with the Bunny. Fill up your basket and look for 'special eggs,' which can be redeemed for a prize at the George Mullen Activity Center. The egg hunt starts at 8:15 p.m. Don't be late – eggs go fast!

Learn more at NorthPortFL.gov/EggHunt.

Rain Date: 4/7/2023.

Day	Date	Time (Photos w. Bunny)	Time (Egg Hunts)	Age	Fee
Friday	March 31	7:30 p.m.	8:15 p.m.	6-11	FREE
Location City Center Front Green, 4970 City Hall Blvd.				Registration None	



NATIONAL PARK Rx DAY

National Park Rx Day supports a growing number of health professionals who are prescribing time in parks and nature to improve human health. Join us for a free yoga session in the great outdoors. All levels are welcome! Bring a friend and a water bottle while you discover the unique benefits of this outdoor experience.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Saturday	April 15	9-10 a.m.	12+	FREE
Location Garden of the Five Senses, 4299 Pan American Blvd.				
Registration Not required				





EGGNORMOUS EGG HUNT

Gather on the Green for an 'Eggnormous' egg hunt, visit with the Easter Bunny and grab an Insta-worthy photo. For their safety, egg hunters will be divided into four groups:

- Adaptive
- Ages 3-4
- Ages 5-6
- Ages 7-9

Special eggs can be redeemed for prizes at the George Mullen Activity Center. Egg hunts will commence at 10 a.m. Don't forget to bring your own basket. Learn more at: NorthPortFL.gov/EggHunt.

Rain Date: 4/8/2023

Day	Date	Time (Photos w. Bunny)	Time (Egg Hunts)	Age	Fee
Saturday	April 1	9 a.m.	10 a.m.	3-9	FREE
Location City Center Front Green, 4970 City Hall Blvd.				Registration None	



ENJOY TWO GREAT EVENTS WITH YOUR DOGS!

DOG-GONE Egg Hunt & WOOFSTOCK

For details, see page 36!





CONCERT IN THE PARK

Experience an evening of live entertainment under the stars! This event features a band along with food and beverage vendors. Bring your chair or blanket. Seating opens one hour before the music starts. No tents allowed.

Interested in being a food or beverage vendor for this event? Contact Parks & Recreation at 941-429-PARK (7275) or visit:

NorthPortFL.gov/Concert

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Friday	May 5	7 p.m.	All	Free
Location City Center Front Green, 4970 City Hall Blvd.				
Registration None				

KIDS TO PARKS DAY

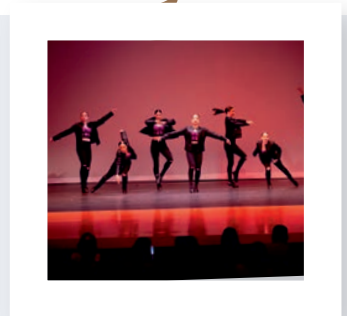
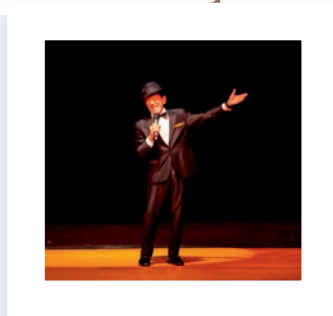
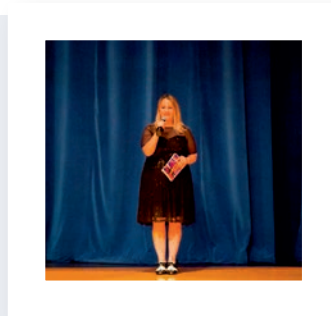
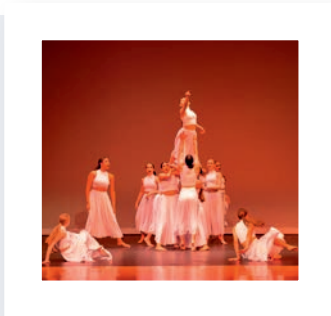
Kids to Parks Day is a nationally coordinated event designed to connect kids and families to local, state and national parks in a fresh, fun way. Start the day with donuts at Highland Ridge, where you can also learn the fundamentals of tennis! Next, we will shoot hoops at LaBrea Park. At the final stop, you can give it a go with a bow and arrow at the George Mullen Activity Center with archery! Join us throughout the day for one or for all three activities as your schedule allows.

Day	Date	Time	Location	Activity
Saturday	May 20	8:30-9:30 a.m.	Highland Ridge Park, 6225 Kenwood Dr.	Donuts & Tennis
		10-11:30 a.m.	LaBrea Park, 6430 LaBrea St.	Basketball
		2-4:30 p.m.	George Mullen Activity Center, 1602 Kramer Way	Archery
Fee FREE		Ages All		

NORTH PORT'S GOT TALENT

Do you have what it takes to be named the winner of North Port's Got Talent? Attend or participate in our second annual live event! Open to all ages and talent levels. Varying youth and adult categories. Auditions by video only. Email to SCremen@NorthPortFL.gov by April 18. Audition deadline: April 18 or until full. To apply, visit bit.ly/3pY3PJS.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Saturday	May 13	6 p.m.	3+	\$5 to attend*
Location North Port High School Theatre 6400 W. Price Blvd.				
*No fee to performers; tickets go on sale May 1 online and in person				



AQUATIC CENTER SPECIAL EVENTS



ALOHA NPAC LUAU



Take a dip at our Luau evening at the water park for those ages 18 and older. No Luau is complete without pulled pork BBQ and waterslides! DJ Devon will bring the sounds of the shores to complete the hula dance party! So, find your best Hawaiian suit and sign up for your Lei today. Tickets include park entry, BBQ buffet and non-alcoholic beverages. Need childcare? The kids can have a fun night out too! Trained staff at the Morgan Family Community Center will provide an exciting evening with pizza and games for \$15 per child. Children must be 5 or older. Please register your child at time of ticket purchase.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Saturday	April 29	6-9 p.m.	18+	\$20

Location North Port Aquatic Center, 6205 W. Price Blvd.

Registration Online and in person



BEAT THE HEAT SUNSET SWIM



Beat the heat and swim under the stars (or play in the water park!) with extended hours until 10:00pm.

Day	Date	Time	Fee
Friday	June 9	7-10 p.m.	Free to passholders, included with daily admission fee
Friday	July 14	7-10 p.m.	Free to passholders, included with daily admission fee
Friday	Aug. 4	7-10 p.m.	Free to passholders, included with daily admission fee

Ages All; 11 and under must be accompanied by an adult

Location North Port Aquatic Center, 6205 W. Price Blvd.

Registration None



SPLASH INTO SUMMER/MAYDAY*



Splash into Summer with complimentary admission to the Aquatic Center for North Port residents! While enjoying the slides, pool and lazy river, you can also learn more about water safety with the MayDay Drowning Prevention Expo. A variety of water safety vendors will be on deck to share tips on safe water practices for in, on, or around the water. For the latest information, visit NorthPortFL.gov/SplashIntoSummer.

**Please note that the Aquatic Center will be open to North Port residents ONLY on this day. Must show proof of residency, such as a state-issued photo ID or utility bill.*

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Saturday	May 6	10 a.m.-5 p.m.	All	FREE to residents

Location North Port Aquatic Center, 6205 W. Price Blvd.

Registration Not required; first come, first served

WORLD'S LARGEST SWIM LESSON*



NPAC will join pools across the world to provide the World's Largest Swimming Lesson. This program was created by the World Waterpark Association in 2010 to build awareness surrounding the importance of teaching children to swim as an effective way to prevent drowning. Attendees will find additional water safety resources and have the opportunity to participate in exciting lifeguard games.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Thursday	June 22	8-8:30 a.m. & 8:30-9 a.m.	All	FREE

Location North Port Aquatic Center, 6205 W. Price Blvd.

Registration Not required



T-REC SOCIAL CLUB

All teens and adults with special needs are invited to a free afternoon of activities and fun. Make new friends and reconnect with others. A variety of activities including pickleball, basketball, arts & crafts, and board games will be scheduled. This activity is offered in conjunction with Sarasota County. Caregivers and family members are welcome. Visit NorthPortFL.gov/TRec to learn more.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Friday	Jan. 20	5-7 p.m.	All	FREE
Monday	May 15	5-7 p.m.	All	FREE

Location Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd. **Registration** Drop in



TOT TIME

Bring your little ones to play and interact with other tots on a drop-in basis. This is a great opportunity for your child to begin learning early social skills. Play equipment includes balls, riding toys, giant foam blocks and a manipulative station.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Tuesday/Thursday	Ongoing through May 25	10 a.m.-noon	1-5	\$3/Res., \$4/N-Res.

Location George Mullen Activity Center, 1602 Kramer Way **Registration** Drop in



BADGE FACTORY

Complete your troop, pack or individual scout projects with us! Our expert staff will help you organize projects to fit your needs. Our goal is to make learning enjoyable while helping your group earn cooking, archery, fitness or other Scout badges. Minimum of eight participants. To schedule a Badge Factory class, please call 941-429-PARK (7275), option #2.





SCRAPBOOKING

Paper crafting workshops include scrapbook layouts, card making and special projects. Participants may bring their own supplies and/or purchase supplies from the instructor.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Saturday	Jan. 28	9 a.m.-4 p.m.	16+	\$20/class
Saturday	Feb. 11	9 a.m.-4 p.m.	16+	\$20/class
Saturday	March 18	9 a.m.-4 p.m.	16+	\$20/class
Saturday	June 3	9 a.m.-4 p.m.	16+	\$20/class
Location Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd. Registration Drop in				
Two-day Workshop				
Saturday/Sunday	May 13 & 14	9 a.m. - 6 p.m.	16+	\$75
Location Scout House, 5845 Greenwood Ave Registration Drop in				

KIDS NIGHT OUT

Want to enjoy an evening without the kids? Sign them up for our Kids Night Out (KNO)! Kids will enjoy an evening of fun games, arts & crafts and a light dinner in a safe, supervised environment while parents get a well-deserved break! Space is limited.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Friday	Feb. 3	5-8:30 p.m.	K-5	\$15/child
Friday	May 19	5-8:30 p.m.	K-5	\$15/child
Location George Mullen Activity Center, 1602 Kramer Way Registration Required in advance				

TEEN TALK

Teens, we need your input! Join Parks & Recreation staff and voice your opinion on what you want at your center. We'll talk about upcoming events, new ideas and equipment, and work together to make the Morgan Family Community Center the best it can be. Refreshments will be provided.

Day	Date	Time	Grade
Thursday	Feb. 16	5-6 p.m.	6-12
Thursday	May 18	5-6 p.m.	6-12
Fee Free with membership or purchase a daily drop-in (\$3/ages 17 and under; \$5/ages 18+)			
Location Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd. Registration Drop in			



GENERAL INTEREST REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Preregistration is recommended for General Interest programs, which fill up fast. To reserve your spot, scan the QR code or visit the link below.

Enrollment link: <https://bit.ly/NPPRGeneralInterest>





PORTRAIT PHOTOGRAPHY

Establish a foundation for all styles of portrait photography with this non-technical photography course designed to get you up and going quickly. If you're a relatively new photographer, this is the perfect course to help you with a new skill! It's created for students who want to go beyond taking ordinary snapshots and learn how to take better portraits and family photos. Bring a DSLR camera and manual to class. Class is for ages 16 and older. Space is limited.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Saturday	March 4	10 a.m.-noon	16+	\$20
Location George Mullen Activity Center, 1602 Kramer Way		Registration By March 1		

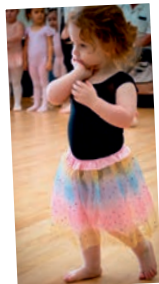
BINGLO FAMILY GAME NIGHT

Who is ready to shout "BINGLO"?! Our BINGLO Family Game Night brings music, blacklights, and games all together in one action-packed night! Dress to impress in your best neon clothing and get ready to win. Space is limited.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Friday	March 17	6:30-8 p.m.	Families	\$10/10-card pack
Location George Mullen Activity Center, 1602 Kramer Way		Registration Required in advance		

BABY BALLERINAS

You've seen your child twirl around the house, walk on their tippy toes and pretend to be a dancer. Now it's time for dance class! Music, movement, crafts and the basic dance steps are introduced in this class. Dancewear and ballet shoes are required. Optional performance in "North Port's Got Talent." Class limit: 12



Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Monday	April 3 - May 8	10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	2-4	\$45
Thursday	April 6 - May 11	10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	2-4	\$45

Location Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd. **Registration** By April 3



ARTS & REC



Create a different masterpiece each week with a variety of mediums and themes. Designed for beginner, advanced and experimental artists – all levels welcomed!

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Saturday	March 25	10 -11 a.m.	K-5	\$5
Saturday	May 13	10 -11 a.m.	K-5	\$5

Location George Mullen Activity Center, 1602 Kramer Way **Registration** Drop in

MASTERCHEF JR.

COOKING CLASS

Kids in the kitchen cooking up delicious delights! Learn how fun and easy cooking can be. Students will learn to make delicious recipes—from main courses to desserts and snacks—with plenty of tasting along the way. Space is limited. No admittance after first class.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Friday	May 19 - June 9	6-8 p.m.	10-15	\$50

Location Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd. **Registration** Required



PICKLEBALL

A cross between badminton, tennis and ping pong, pickleball is one of the fastest growing sports in the country. Offered on a drop-in basis.

√ NO CLASSES: 01/02, 01/04, 1/16, 2/20, 05/22, 05/24

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Monday	through May 17	9-11 a.m.	16+	Res. \$3, N-Res. \$4, FREE to members
Wednesday	through May 17	6-8 p.m.	16+	Res. \$3, N-Res. \$4, FREE to members

Location George Mullen Activity Center, 1602 Kramer Way **Registration** Drop in



PROUD HOST: GULF COAST GAMES QUALIFIERS

Seniors – Do you want to participate in the Gulf Coast Games for Life as part of the Florida Senior Games? The Gulf Coast Games Series is a multi-sport event program for adults ages 50 and over hosted throughout Sarasota and Manatee Counties and leading up to the Florida Senior Games in December. North Port Parks & Recreation is hosting two qualifying events listed below:

Day	Date	Time	Age	Event	Fee
Saturday	Jan. 14	8 a.m.	50+	5K race	\$25
Wednesday	Feb. 1	10 a.m.	50+	Bag Toss (Cornhole)	\$3
Thurs./Friday	Feb. 2-3	9 a.m.	50+	Archery	\$3

Location Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd.

Registration For more information or to register for these or other Gulf Coast Games events please visit: scgov.net/parks



TABLE TENNIS

Table tennis players are welcome to join this competitive environment to hone their skills. Beginner and higher levels of play can be expected. New players are encouraged and welcome to join the fun! Drop in, borrow a paddle and ball or bring your equipment.

√ NO CLASSES: 1/02, 1/16, 2/20, 5/29, 6/19

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Monday	Ongoing	9 a.m. -noon	16+	Res. \$3, N-Res. \$4, FREE to members
Wednesday	Ongoing	9 a.m. -noon	16+	Res. \$3, N-Res. \$4, FREE to members
Friday	Ongoing	9 a.m. -noon	16+	Res. \$3, N-Res. \$4, FREE to members

Location Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd. **Registration** Drop in





WIFFLEBALL TOURNAMENT

Gather your friends and family and join the North Port Parks & Recreation Department for a single day, double elimination wiffleball tournament! The team fee to enter is only \$75 and each team is guaranteed at least two games. Participants must be 14 years of age or older to play and teams must have a minimum of four (4) players and a maximum of seven (7). Registration begins on Jan. 4, 2023, and is available on a first come, first serve basis.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Saturday	Feb. 25	9 a.m.	14+	\$75 per team
Location George Mullen Activity Center, 1602 Kramer Way Registration Opens 1/4; preregistration required				

K-5 INTRO TO SPORTS

Is your child interested in sports but doesn't know which one they will enjoy? If so, this program is for you! One class per session will be dedicated to the basics of softball, football, soccer and tennis.

√ NO CLASS: 3/15

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Wednesday	March 1-29	6-7 p.m.	6-7	\$25
Location GMAC, Larry T. Football, Highland Ridge Park, Butler Park				
Registration By March 4				



COMMUNITY SPORTS CONNECTIONS

Miss North Port Fast Pitch Softball: missnorthportfastpitch.com

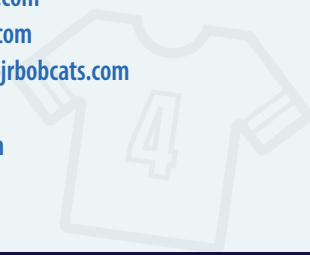
North Port Area Little League Baseball: npall.com

North Port Huskies Football: northporthuskies.com

North Port Pop Warner Football & Cheerleading: npjrbobcats.com

North Port Youth Basketball: npyb.org

North Port Youth Soccer: northportsoccer.com



SPORTS & LEAGUES REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Programs with capacity limits can fill quickly. To enroll, scan the QR code or visit the registration link below:

Enrollment link: <https://bit.ly/SportsAndLeagues>





RISING STARS BASKETBALL FUNDAMENTALS

Kids will learn the fundamentals of basketball and practice shooting and defensive drills in a positive, athletic environment. No admittance after first class.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Friday	May 5-26	6-7 p.m.	K-5	\$25/4 sessions

Location George Mullen Activity Center, 1602 Kramer Way **Preregister** By April 28



ADULT BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Calling all basketball players near and far to join our Adult Basketball League, where teams vie to be named the "Champs!" Enjoy a competitive yet social setting. League programs are offered in fall and spring each year. Spring league starts and runs for eight weeks followed by a post-season tournament. Space is limited. For more, visit NorthPortFL.gov/Leagues.

√ NO CLASS: 5/29

Division	Day	Date	Time	Fee
16+	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday	April 3-June 16	7-9 p.m.	\$315 per team
40+	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday	April 3-June 16	6-7 p.m.	\$315 per team

Location Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd.

Registration opens Feb. 13; registration deadline March 24





See page 35 for more information on our OUTDOOR OFFERINGS, including camping, hiking and boating.

PRIMITIVE CAMPGROUND & PAVILION RATES

	Per person	Minimum per group
Camping fees for Organized Youth Groups	\$2 per youth per night	6 min. per group
	\$5 per adult chaperone per night	Min. 1 adult per 10 youth campers
Camping fees for Individuals	\$5 per youth per night	Min. 1 adult per 10 youth campers
	\$10 per adult per night	
Pavilion rental	\$25 per hour	

FOR RESERVATIONS: Email ParkRentals@NorthPortFL.gov or call 941-429-PARK (7275), option #3. Fees valid through 9/30/23.

OUTDOOR NATURE WALKS

Explore North Port trails, learn about local flora and fauna with the Environmental Conservancy of North Port and make new friends along the way. Once a quarter we will meet at one of our beautiful natural area parks. Group size is limited.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee	Location
Saturday	Jan. 28	9-11 a.m.	All	FREE	Oaks Park, 5430 Mandrake Terr.
Saturday	April 8	9-11 a.m.	All	FREE	Myakkahatchee Creek Environmental Park, 6968 Reisterstown Rd.

Registration Preregistration required

BEGINNER ARCHERY

Did you know archery is one of the oldest arts still practiced today? Archery trained staff will teach proper techniques. Parents, grandparents, and adults are welcome. All equipment is provided. Space is limited.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Saturday	March 4-25	9-9:45 p.m.	8+	\$25

Location George Mullen Activity Center, 1602 Kramer Way **Registration** In advance

ARCHERY SKILLS DAY

If you love Archery and have completed the Beginner Archery class, a new opportunity awaits! Attend this one day class to show off your skills, complete new games and practice skills. All equipment is provided. Space is limited.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee	Prerequisite
Saturday	May 20	8-9:30 a.m..	8+	\$10	Beginner Archery

Location George Mullen Activity Center, 1602 Kramer Way **Registration** In advance by 5/12

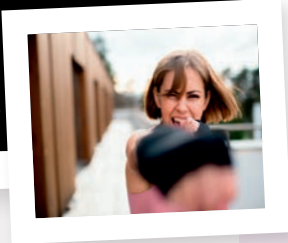


OUTDOOR REC REGISTRATION INFORMATION

To enroll in Outdoor Recreation programs that need preregistration, please scan the QR code or visit the registration link below.

Enrollment link: <https://bit.ly/NPOutdoorRec>





ADULT BOXING

This class will empower participants while developing their balance and lightning-quick combinations. Class is based on two basic principles: footwork and combinations—but includes everything from jumping rope and punching bags, to tossing medicine balls.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Monday	Ongoing	9-10 a.m.	18+	\$10/class
Thursday	Ongoing	9-10 a.m.	18+	\$10/class

Location Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd. **Registration** Drop in

YOUTH BOXING

This class teaches the fundamentals of boxing along with the work ethic and discipline of the sport. Participants will gain improvement in both physical and mental strength.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Wednesday	Ongoing	6-30-7:30 p.m.	8-17	\$10/class
Friday	Ongoing	6-30-7:30 p.m.	8-17	\$10/class

Location Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd. **Registration** Drop in



FIT-TEEN UNIVERSITY

A training class for teens covering the fundamentals of exercise along with exercise safety, fitness center rules, etiquette and equipment use. Upon successful completion, 13-to-15- year-olds will receive membership privileges without parental supervision. By appointment only. To schedule, call 941-429-PARK (7275).

Date & Time	Age	Fee
By appointment	13-15	\$25 per person

Location Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd. **Registration** In advance





JAZZERCISE

Choreographed to today's hottest music, Jazercise is a fusion of jazz dance, resistance training, Pilates, yoga, and kickboxing.

For more information regarding registration please visit <https://www.jazercise.com/location/jazercise-north-port-morgan-community-center>.

√ NO CLASSES: List dates 1/02, 1/16, 2/20, 5/29, 6/19

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee	Location	Registration
Monday	Ongoing	6:30-7:30 p.m.	13+	\$10/class	MFCC*	Drop in
Tuesday	Ongoing	9-10:30 a.m.	13+	\$10/class	NPSH**	Drop in
Wednesday	Ongoing	6:30-7:30 p.m.	13+	\$10/class	MFCC*	Drop in
Thursday	Ongoing	9-10:30 a.m.	13+	\$10/class	NPSH**	Drop in
Friday	Ongoing	6:30-7:30 p.m.	13+	\$10/class	MFCC*	Drop in
Saturday	Ongoing	9-10:30 a.m.	13+	\$10/class	GMAC***	Drop in

*MFCC: Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd.

**NPSH: Scout House, 5845 Greenwood Ave.

***GMAC: George Mullen Activity Center, 1602 Kramer Way



LINE DANCING

Line Dancing is an easy way to have fun while you exercise your body and mind. Wear smooth bottomed shoes with backs and bring water. First class free to new participants.

√ NO CLASSES: 1/02, 1/16, 2/20, 5/29, 6/19

Day	Date	Time	Level	Age	Fee
Monday	Ongoing	1-3 p.m.	Intermediate	18+	\$5/class or \$40/8
Monday	Ongoing	6-8 p.m.	Improver	18+	\$5/class or \$40/8
Tuesday	Ongoing	noon-2 p.m.	Improver, Easy Intermediate	18+	\$5/class or \$40/8
Wednesday	Ongoing	9:30-11:30 a.m.	Beginner/Improver	18+	\$5/class or \$40/8
Thursday	Ongoing	1-3 p.m.	Intermediate (until June 1)	18+	\$5/class or \$40/8

Location Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd.

Registration Drop-in (must attend one beginner class in January or June to participate in future beginner classes)

POUND

This jam session is inspired by the energizing and sweat-dripping fun of playing the drums for a full-body workout. Pound combines cardio, conditioning and strength training with Yoga and Pilates-inspired movements. Second class free to new participants.



Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Wednesday	Ongoing	6:45-7:30 p.m.	16+	\$8/class or \$40/8

Location Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd.

Registration Drop-in



YOGATOLOGY

Joyful, gentle movements using techniques from Yoga, Tai Chi and ballet to improve flexibility, balance and coordination, particularly of the body's core. Standing and seated (no floor work) participants are encouraged to bring to class their daily intention, imagination and a sense of humor. Positivity is inspiring. First class free to new participants.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Tuesday	Ongoing	9:30-10:30 a.m.	50+	\$8/class or \$40/8
Friday	Ongoing	9:30-10:30 a.m.	50+	\$8/class or \$40/8

Location Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd.

Registration Drop-in



ZUMBA

A fun, energizing workout that's great for your body and mind! First class free to new participants.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Tuesday	Ongoing	6:30-7:30 p.m.	18+	\$8/class or \$40/8
Wednesday	Ongoing	6-7 p.m.	18+	\$8/class or \$40/8
Thursday	Ongoing	6:30-7:30 p.m.	18+	\$8/class or \$40/8
Friday	Ongoing	6-7 p.m.	18+	\$8/class or \$40/8

Location Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd.

Registration Drop-in

ZUMBA STEP

A Zumba class that combines traditional dance steps, aerobic fundamentals and fitness combinations while providing a lower body challenge. Second class free to new participants. Multi-Visit pass available.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Wednesday	Ongoing	6-6:30 p.m.	16+	\$5/class or \$40/8

Location Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd.

Registration Drop-in



EXERCISE & FITNESS
REGISTRATION
INFORMATION

Scan this QR code to stay current with Park's & Recreation's Exercise & Fitness class information and to find a program that will get your heart pumping!

Enrollment link: <https://bit.ly/NPPRGetFit>



Achieve Anything

MEMBERSHIP

"ACHIEVE ANYTHING" membership perks

Members enjoy usage of the fitness centers, open gym, various drop-in activities, teen lounge/game room access and a free equipment orientation.

The **Morgan Family Community Center** is a full-service facility while **George Mullen Activity Center** is a satellite location. Both centers offer a range of modern cardio and fitness equipment. Visit us today for a free tour with our friendly and knowledgeable staff.

Fitness centers are open to individuals ages 13 and up. Youth 13-15 must be accompanied by an adult or successfully complete **Fit-Teen University** (see page 22).

NORTH PORT D-FY Memberships

Drug Free Youth (D-Fy) is an initiative for youth in grades 6-12 committed to being drug, alcohol and tobacco-free. D-Fy membership provides for a complimentary *Achieve Anything*

membership at the Morgan Family Community Center.

Initial sign up for a D-Fy Community Center membership is held at the Morgan Center on the first Thursday of each month during school year from 2:30-5:30 p.m. A signed parent/guardian waiver is required when registering. For information on fitness memberships, visit:

NorthPortFL.gov/Membership.

One membership. Two community centers!

ACHIEVE ANYTHING MEMBERSHIPS ¹	Resident	Non-Resident
Daily Drop-In: Adult	\$5	\$6.50
Daily Drop-In: Youth	\$3	\$4
Monthly Individual (18 -64)	\$25	\$33
Monthly Family (2 or more)	\$40	\$52
Monthly US Veteran	\$15	\$20
Monthly Senior (65+)	\$15	\$20
3-Month Individual (18-64)	\$60	\$78
3-Month Family (2 or more)	\$96	\$125
3-Month US Veteran	\$36	\$47
3-Month Senior (65+)	\$36	\$47
Annual Youth (ages 11-17)	\$30	\$39
Annual Individual ² (18-64)	\$180	\$234
Annual Student ² (18-25)	\$72	\$94
Annual Family ² (3 or more)	\$288	\$374
Annual US Veteran ²	\$72	\$94
Annual Senior ² (65+)	\$72	\$94
Annual North Port D-Fy (Drug-Free Youth) ³	FREE	FREE

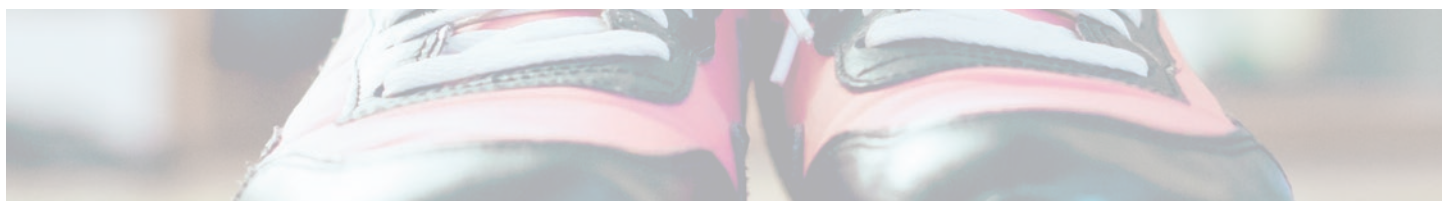
¹Fees includes applicable tax and are valid through 9/30/23.

²Installment billing is available for annual memberships.

³Free annual membership with D-Fy card.

Membership Orientation

Group orientations are held monthly at the Morgan Family Community Center on the second Tuesday (8-9 a.m.) & the fourth Tuesday (7-8 p.m.).





Welcome to the North Port Aquatic Center!

6205 W. Price Blvd.
429-PARK (7275)

North Port Aquatic Center (NPAC) Features:

- Open swim pool
- Relaxahatchee Lazy River
- Pelican Playground with zero entry
- Tarpon Twister body slide
- Dolphin Dive body slide
- Barracuda Blast drop bowl slide
- Stingray Shuffle
- Octopus Oasis pavilion
- Sand Dollar Snack Shack
- Diving boards
- Bathhouse
- Locker rooms

Learn more about the North Port Aquatic Center:
NorthPortFL.gov/Pool

Inclement Weather: Know Before You Go!

For your safety, please double check radar to ensure the Park is open by visiting:

NorthPortFL.gov/WeatherAlerts



NPAC hours of operation*

(* hours based on Sarasota County School calendar and are subject to change.
Visit NorthPortFL.gov/Pool for the most up-to-date calendar)

WINTER 2022-2023: Oct. 31, 2022 - March 10, 2023

Water park	Closed for the Season	
Open swim pool only	Tues. - Sun.	10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Programs & teams	Tues. - Sun.	8 - 10 a.m. & 5 - 7 p.m.

SPRING BREAK 2023: March 11 - March 19

Water park	Mon. - Sun.	10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Open swim pool only	Mon. - Sun.	10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Programs & teams	Mon. - Sun.	8 - 10 a.m. & 5 - 7 p.m.

SPRING 2023: March 21 - May 26

Water park	Sat. - Sun. ¹	10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Open swim pool only	Mon. - Sun.	10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Programs & teams	Tues. - Sun.	8 - 10 a.m. & 5 - 7 p.m.

SUMMER 2023: Beginning May 27

Water park	Mon. - Sun.	10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; open late Fri./Sat. ²
Open swim pool only	Mon. - Sun.	10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Programs & teams	Mon.-Thurs.	8 - 10 a.m. & 5 - 7 p.m.

¹Water park is CLOSED on weekdays for the spring and fall season

²Water park is OPEN LATE on Fridays & Saturdays during the summer

Aquatic Center is open for the following holidays:
Easter Sunday, Memorial Day, Juneteenth, Independence Day & Labor Day



NPAC admission fees

NPAC rental fees

ADMISSION FEES (PRICES INCLUDE TAX)

DAILY	Res.	N-Res.
Children under 2	FREE	FR
Children 2-12	\$6	\$10
Adult 13-64	\$8	\$12
Adult 65+	\$6	\$10
US veteran	\$6	\$10
ANNUAL PASS¹		
Child 2-12	\$110	\$170
Adult 13-64	\$150	\$215
Adult 65+	\$110	\$170
US veteran	\$110	\$170
Family (4 members of the same household)	\$375	\$540
Family (additional member)	\$20	\$60
3-Season lap swim (Fall, Winter and Spring)	\$75	\$100
GROUP RATES²		
Groups of 15 or more people (per person)	\$5	\$8

¹ Non-refundable; no exchanges

² Must be made 72 hrs. in advance pending availability; entire group must be present upon entry

Fees valid through 9/30/23

FACILITY RENTAL FEES ¹

DURING STANDARD OPERATING HOURS ²	HOURLY FEE ³
½ Pavilion (10 x 10)	\$20
Pavilion (10 x 20)	\$35
Team lane rental - adult	\$10
Team lane rental - youth	\$8
Dive well	\$35
OUTSIDE STANDARD OPERATING HOURS	
Dive well	\$80
Pavilion, splash pad	\$175
Pavilion, splash pad, Lazy River (not including slides or Open Swim Pool)	\$250
Pavilion, splash pad, Lazy River plus 1 slide (not including bowl slide or open swim pool)	\$275
Pavilion, splash pad, Lazy River plus 2 slides (not including bowl slide or open swim pool)	\$325
Pavilion, splash pad, Lazy River plus all slides (not including open swim pool)	\$450
Open swim pool	\$300
Full facility	\$600

¹ Some restrictions apply; see staff member for details

² Rentals during standard operating hours require payment of daily admission fees for all guests in addition to rental fees. Additional staffing fees may be assessed.

³ Exempt from *Achieve Anything* discount. Fees valid through 9/30/2023.

Want to have a splashtastic party?


Call 941-429-PARK (7275), option 3, to inquire about North Port Aquatic Center rentals!



LEARN TO SWIM PROGRAMS ≡

We offer a range of swimming classes led by certified **American Red Cross Water Safety Instructors**. These classes reflect our commitment to teaching life-saving skills. Swim lessons can be personalized to accommodate special needs.

UNDER 6 YEARS

FLOAT 4 LIFE Parent & Child (6 months to 4 years): A float-based program that develops water safety through 1-on-1 float lessons, water safety milestones and water safety education. 

PARENT & CHILD AQUATICS (6 months to 2 years):

Group sessions focused on water adjustment skills for parents and their young children, with water safety education and strategies for handling young children in the water.

PRESCHOOL AQUATICS 1,2,3 (3 to 5 years):

Developmentally appropriate basic swimming and water safety skills such as water adjustment, floating on front and back, movement and changing directions in the water. Participants move through each level, building upon the skills mastered in the previous level.

LEARN TO SWIM 6+ YEARS

LEVEL 1: Basic swimming and water safety skills, such as water adjustment, floating on front and back, arm movement and kicking.

LEVEL 2: Introduction to front crawl with rhythmic breathing, back crawl and treading water.

LEVEL 3: Front and back crawl is further refined, adding an introduction to the breaststroke and elementary back stroke.

LEVEL 4: Introduction to the front crawl with rhythmic breathing, back crawl and treading water.

LEVEL 5: Refinement of the six swimming strokes (front crawl, back crawl, elementary backstroke, butterfly, breaststroke and sidestroke).

ADULTS 16+ YEARS

These group sessions are individualized to specific needs. From beginner to fitness swimmer, we can assist with your goals for learning to swim, refining strokes or increasing endurance.

RED CROSS-CERTIFIED LEARN TO SWIM

Session Dates	Session Days	Session Times
Jan. 10 - Jan. 19	Tues., Weds., Thurs.	Call for info
Jan. 31 - Feb. 9	Tues., Weds., Thurs.	Call for info
May 9 - May 18	Tues., Weds., Thurs.	Call for info

***NorthPortFL.gov/Pool**

HOW TO REGISTER

Registration for any Level 1 class is available online at **NorthPortFL.gov/Pool**. To create your Webtrac account, visit: **bit.ly/NPAquatics**.

Note: Registration for any Level 2-5 class requires proof of completion of a prerequisite class (or demonstrated mastery of the skills). Please call or visit the North Port Aquatic Center to schedule a free swim evaluation.

YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Qualifying North Port residents age 17 and under are invited to apply to this program, which provides access to two (2) recreation or aquatic programs for the Winter/Spring and the Summer/Fall seasons, and/or two (2) weeks of summer camp per year based on available funding. To apply, scan QR code or visit:

NorthPortFL.gov/YouthScholarship.





2023 LEARN TO 'YAK SESSIONS

BEGINNER LEVEL

Days	Dates	Times	Age	Fee
Tuesday & Thursday	March 21 - April 6	8-10 a.m.	11	\$75/Res.; \$100/N-Res.

INTERMEDIATE LEVEL

Days	Dates	Times	Age	Fee
Tuesday & Thursday	Jan. 31-Feb. 16	8-10 a.m.	11+	\$75/Res.; \$100/N-Res.
Saturday	March 25-April 29	8-10 a.m.	11+	\$75/Res.; \$100/N-Res.

Location North Port Aquatic Center, 6205 W. Price Blvd. **Registration** Advance registration required

Due to Hurricane Ian, some paths may not be accessible. Modifications will be made for safety.

LEARN TO YAK

North Port offers many beautiful blueway experiences, and kayaking is a great way to enjoy them. In this class, you'll learn the basics in the NPAC competition pool, including paddling skills and water safety. Later in the course, students venture out to Myakkahatchee Creek to try out class techniques in a real-world scenario with instructors at the ready. See chart at right for dates/times.

BATTLE OF THE STARS

North Port area D-Fy* members join to compete in relay races, water basketball and water volleyball against North Port Lifeguards, Police and Fire Rescue. It's an exciting event you won't want to miss! *See page 25 for more on D-Fy.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Wednesday	April 26	4:30-6:30 p.m.	D-Fy Members 12-18 only	FREE

Location North Port Aquatic Center, 6205 W. Price Blvd.

Registration To compete, first register with North Port Drug-Free Youth at northportdfy.com



NORTH PORT COMMUNITY AQUATIC CONNECTIONS

North Port High School Bobcats Swim Team
SarasotaCountySchools.Net/Page/3766

Sea Dragons Swim Team
teamunify.com/team/flfcp/page/home

Southwest Florida Water Polo
swfloridawaterpolo.org

*Please note that the City of North Port is not responsible for the content of third-party sites.

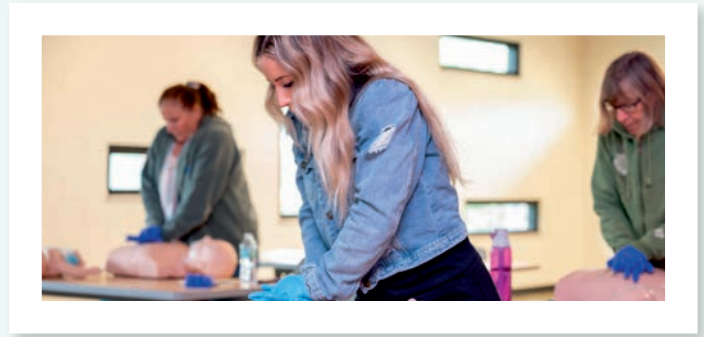
SAFE AT HOME

Join us for a free series focused on keeping you and those you love safe! Learn basic CPR, hear first-hand fire-safety tips from the North Port Fire Department, and gain valuable knowledge to stay safe in, on and around water.

Day	Date	Time	Ages	Fee	Topic
Wednesday	May 3	6-7 p.m.	All	FREE	Boating ¹
Wednesday	May 10	6-7 p.m.	All	FREE	Intro to CPR ²
Wednesday	May 17	6-7 p.m.	All	FREE	Adventure First Aid ²
Wednesday	May 24	6-7 p.m.	All	FREE	Home Pool Safety ¹

Location ¹ North Port Aquatic Center, 6205 W. Price Blvd., and ² Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price

Registration Recommended



BABYSITTER CERTIFICATION & CPR (2-DAY COURSE)

+ Develop your skills and assist others by providing a highly sought-after service: child care! This American Red Cross Babysitters Training Course teaches skills every sitter should know, including pediatric first aid and CPR.

Two-day Session	Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Session 1, Day 1	Friday	Feb. 3	5-9 p.m.	11-15	\$75
Session 1, Day 2	Saturday	Feb. 4	9 a.m.-3 p.m.		
Session 2, Day 1	Friday	May 12	5-9 p.m.	11-15	\$75
Session 2, Day 2	Saturday	May 13	9 a.m.-3 p.m.		

Location Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd.

Registration Advance registration required

FIRST AID, CPR & AED

+ This five-hour American Red Cross-certified hands-on class prepares students to recognize and respond appropriately to a variety of first aid, breathing and cardiac emergencies involving children and adults. First Aid, CPR & AED training meets OSHA workplace requirements. At the successful completion of this course, participants receive a digital certificate for Adult and Pediatric First Aid/CPR/AED valid for two years. Class size is limited to 10 participants

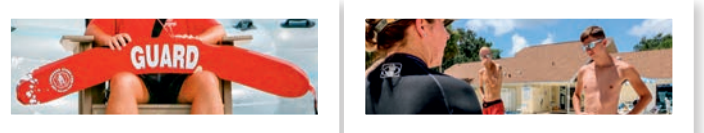
Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Saturday	Feb. 18	9 a.m.-2 p.m.	11+	\$50
Saturday	April 22	9 a.m.-2 p.m.	11+	\$50

Location Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd.

Registration Advance registration required

Hiring lifeguards for 2023 spring & summer seasons.

To view current opportunities, visit:
NorthPortFL.gov/Jobs



JR. LIFEGUARD CAMP

Future lifeguards: prepare for a fun, rewarding and lucrative job in this Red Cross instructional course. Learn the fundamentals of lifeguarding, water safety, and rescues, along with CPR*, AED* and First Aid.* At completion, our Junior Lifeguards are eligible to volunteer at NPAC and shadow lifeguards. Participants will also have the opportunity to visit North Port Fire Rescue to participate in additional training.

Three-day Session	Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Session 1, Day 1	Friday	Feb. 24	5-9 p.m.	11-15	\$150
Session 1, Day 2	Saturday	Feb. 25	9 a.m.-5 p.m.		
Session 1, Day 3	Sunday	Feb. 26	9 a.m.-5 p.m.		
Session 2, Day 1	Friday	May 19	5-9 p.m.	11-15	\$150
Session 2, Day 2	Saturday	May 20	9 a.m.-5 p.m.		
Session 2, Day 3	Sunday	May 21	9 a.m.-5 p.m.		

Location North Port Aquatic Center, 6205 W. Price Blvd.

Registration Advance registration required

*Course does not offer certification in First Aid, CPR, or AED.

HYDRO FITNESS

Get active and fit without stress on your joints! Hydro-fitness utilizes a timed-interval format along with resistance-based exercise to target every major muscle group.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Tuesday	Ongoing	8:30-9:30 a.m.	11+	\$8/class or \$40/8
Thursday	Ongoing	8:30-9:30 a.m.	11+	\$8/class or \$40/8
Friday	Ongoing	8:30-9:30 a.m.	11+	\$8/class or \$40/8

Location Dive well at the North Port Aquatic Center, 6205 W. Price Blvd.

Registration Drop in

AQUA ZEN

Drop in and find your center with Aqua Zen yoga. This mind-body activity moves you through numerous body positions and breathing exercises to improve strength, flexibility, balance and increase relaxation. Aqua Zen is an everyday escape from stress!

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Wednesday	March 12-May 31	8-8:45 a.m.	16+	\$8/class or \$40/8

Location North Port Aquatic Center, 6205 W. Price Blvd.

Registration Drop in

RELAX-A-FLOAT

Looking for a relaxing time to enjoy the lazy river when the water park is not open? Join us for Relax-A-Float! The Relaxahatchee Lazy river is open twice a week! Come find your "inner tube!!"

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Tuesday	May 2-23	noon-1 p.m.	18+	Daily admission fee or free to annual passholders
Thursday	May 4- 25	noon-1 p.m.	18+	Daily admission fee or free to annual passholders

Location Lazy River at the North Port Aquatic Center, 6205 W. Price Blvd.

Registration Drop in

SUNFLOWER HOUR

For our younger friends, a time to come together and enjoy the Pelican Playground without the hustle and bustle of the full water park. Great for socialization!

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Wednesday	May 3-24	10 a.m.-noon	0-4	\$8/class or \$40/8
Friday	May 3/5- 26	10 a.m.-noon	0-4	

Location Pelican Playground at the North Port Aquatic Center, 6205 W. Price Blvd.

Registration Drop in



WAVES BOOTCAMP

Come make waves in our all new bootcamp—a high-intensity year-round fitness class that will burn calories, tone muscles, and build core strength. You will be wave ready in no time!

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Wednesday	Ongoing	5-6 p.m.	11+	\$8/class or \$40/8

Location Competition pool at the North Port Aquatic Center, 6205 W. Price Blvd.

Registration Drop in



AQUATIC CENTER PROGRAMMING INFORMATION

Preregistration is recommended for Aquatic Center programs that require it. To reserve your spot, scan the QR code or visit the registration link below.

Enrollment link: <https://bit.ly/NPPRGetFit>





GMAC SUMMER DAY CAMP

Explore the great outdoors, participate in group activities and meet new friends at an exciting full-day camp! Small and large group settings provide opportunities for campers to build character and self-esteem.

√ NO CAMP OR EXTENDED CARE: 5/29, 6/19 or 7/4. Those needing a longer camp day can enroll their child in weekly extended care for an additional fee.

Dates (M-F) Time	Location	Grade*	Fee
May 30 - Aug. 4 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	George Mullen Activity Center, 1602 Kramer Way	1-5	\$80/wk.

Registration Opens Jan. 28

GMAC Extended Care

HOURS	FEE
7-8:30 a.m.	\$10/child per week
4:30-6 p.m.	\$10/child per week



SUMMER CAMP ROUNDUP

Advance registration for the North Port Parks & Recreation Department's annual summer camps will be available starting with in-person registration at our Registration Round-Up. The Round-Up will be held on January 28 from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the George Mullen Activity Center (1602 Kramer Way). During this event you can sign up for camp and meet the Recreation staff who will lead programs to ensure your child has a safe and fun summer.

TEEN EXTREME SUMMER CAMP

The fun of a traditional day camp with activities geared to middle school interests. Campers enjoy two field trips a week. Teens with an Achieve Anything membership and parent permission may sign out after camp and use the facility per membership.

√ NO CAMP OR EXTENDED CARE: 5/29, 6/19, 7/4. Those needing longer camp day can enroll their child in weekly extended care for an additional fee.

Dates (M-F) Time	Location	Grade*	Fee
May 30 - Aug. 4 8:45 a.m.-4:45 p.m.	Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price	6-8	\$95/wk.

Registration Opens Jan. 28

Teen Extended Care

HOURS	FEE
7:00-8:45 a.m.	\$10/child per week
4:45-6 p.m.	\$10/child per week

COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING (C.I.T.)

Develop leadership & professional skills through the Counselor-In-Training (CIT) Program at our Summer Day Camps. Experience camp from the leader's point of view as you participate in and help lead daily camp activities. Hands-on training prepares C.I.T.s for future summer camp positions and is a great opportunity to earn volunteer hours. Candidates selected through an application & interview process beginning 3/1 and ending 4/21 (interviews the week of 5/1). Space is limited.

√ NO CAMP: 5/29, 6/19, 7/4

Dates (M-F) Location	Grade*	Fee
May 30 - Aug. 4 GMAC & MFCC	9-12	\$25/wk.

Registration Opens March 1; **Registration Deadline:** April 21

SEASONAL CAMP POSITIONS

Parks & Recreation is a leading source of first jobs for youth and young adults. Camp positions offer invaluable skill-building, leadership, training, and enrichment opportunities that can't be found anywhere else! Visit the City of North Port website to learn more about current job openings, visit <http://bit.ly/NPCampJobs>.





OUR COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE IN SERVICE

The National Recreation and Park Association’s (NRPA) Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA) provides a standard of excellence for park and recreation agencies throughout the United States by providing agencies with a management system of best practices. CAPRA is the only national accreditation of park and recreation agencies

available and is a valuable measure of an agency’s overall quality of operation, management and service to the community. Achieving CAPRA accreditation is the gold standard to demonstrate that your agency and your staff provide your community with the highest level of service.

ties, bring diverse populations together and are at the center of so many experiences and memories. Our programs, facilities and amenities not only support the health and well-being of families and youth, but also contribute to the economic and environmental prosperity of the City of North Port. The department grossed over \$3.5 million in revenue for the 2022 Fiscal Year (October 2021-September 2022), which included over 7,500 reservations and rentals of park amenities including pavilions, meeting rooms, athletic fields, camp sites and more!

CAPRA accreditation reflects a commitment to excellence by the City of North Port Parks & Recreation Department. It is our on-going commitment to support quality of life through healthy and socially rewarding activities, economic prosperity and building a community of unity.



City Manager Jerome Fletcher and Parks & Recreation Director Sandy Pfundheller

In 2019, the City of North Port Parks & Recreation Department achieved CAPRA accreditation embodying its vision to be a recognized leader in providing parks, facilities and programs that increase wellness and enrich life experiences within our community. CAPRA accreditation assures policymakers, department staff and the general public that an accredited park and recreation agency has the operational capacity to deliver programs, facilities and services at a high level of quality. Standards for national accreditation are evaluated through a process of peer verification of compliance with the 154 standards. Meeting all of these standards requires an on-going collaboration between City of North Port Parks & Recreation and other City departments, community partners, and our most important stakeholder, the citizen! Currently, there are only 197 accredited park and recreation agencies in the United States, with 26 of those here in the state of Florida.

The City of North Port Parks & Recreation strives for this level of excellence for many reasons. Parks strengthen community



WARM MINERAL SPRINGS PARK

Warm MINERAL SPRINGS Park

Owned by the City of North Port, **Warm Mineral Springs Park** is a valuable ecological and historically significant site that dates back 11,000 years. The springs

and building structures are listed in the US National Register of Historic Places, on Sarasota County's Significant Resource List and recognized locally on the City of North Port Local Register of Historical Sites and Structures.

In 2019, the City adopted the **Warm Mineral Springs Park Master Plan** which included a comprehensive analysis of the entire 81.6 acre property and recommendations for future services and amenities. Since that time, the City has been working to solidify and finance a plan to restore the existing structures and implement improvements to utility infrastructure and parking.



In September of 2022, the City received two unsolicited **public-private partnership** (P3) conceptual proposals related to the Warm Mineral Springs Park Master Plan Building Restoration & Improvements and Future Phases. The proposals outlined substantial investment and support for completion of the planned restoration and improvements along with future amenities. The City is currently working with Warm Mineral Springs Development Group, LLC to pursue a possible P3 relationship for development of this site.

In September of 2022, the City experienced unexpected setbacks to both the operation and future restoration of the park from

Hurricane Ian. The storm caused significant damage and it was determined the park could not safely reopen without substantial repairs. As a result, the park has been temporarily closed. The City is currently evaluating options for safe reopening while still pursuing the potential P3 opportunity.

Current valid pass holders will have their passes extended for the period of closure as applicable. To receive updates on the status of Warm Mineral Springs Park follow us on Facebook or sign up for email notifications on our website at NorthPortFL.gov/WMSMasterPlan.

MARINA PARK

Marina Park, located off Chancellor Boulevard, offers an opportunity to access the lower portion of the Myakkahatchee Creek. From there, you can travel southwest to the Myakka River—the only one of Florida’s rivers to receive the designation of “Wild and Scenic River” —a title reserved for rivers of spectacular beauty with an undeveloped nature. A day on these waters is sure to rejuvenate the spirit. (Fun fact: The Myakka was also the filming spot of some of the early Tarzan movies!)

Marina Park is open to motorized boaters and offers a canoe/kayak launch. The waterways are ideal for fishing, watching manatees, catching glimpses of dolphins, and so much more. Learn more about Marina Park at NorthPortFL.gov/MyLocalParks.



MYAKKAHATCHEE CREEK ENVIRONMENTAL PARK (MCEP)

The Myakkahatchee Creek Environmental Park offers a peaceful opportunity to explore natural Florida. Enjoy a scenic overlook of the creek, then hike down winding wooded trails that weave throughout a moss-draped oak canopy, where you’ll find vibrant native flowers and trees. Deeper in the park you’ll find wild, natural orange trees that decorate the edges of the park’s trails. You can also bring your horses into the park and enjoy a full or half day of riding with plenty of scenic spots for a quick picnic or a quiet moment. For more on the park, visit: NorthPortFL.gov/MyLocalParks.

PRIMITIVE CAMPING AT MCEP

Enjoy one of the few primitive camping opportunities in the area by reserving the Myakkahatchee Creek Environmental Park’s primitive campsite. The site features benches, a fire ring and a grill. See chart to the right for pricing & reservations.



PRIMITIVE CAMPGROUND & PAVILION RATES

	Per person	Minimum per group
Camping fees for Organized Youth Groups	\$2 per youth per night	6 min. per group
	\$5 per adult chaperone per night	Min. 1 adult per 10 youth campers
Camping fees for Individuals	\$5 per youth per night	Min. 1 adult per 10 youth campers
	\$10 per adult per night	
Pavilion rental	\$25 per hour	

FOR RESERVATIONS: ParkRentals@NorthPortFL.gov or call 941-429-PARK (7275), option #3. Fees valid through 9/30/23.

Your handy guide to enjoying North Port's dog-friendly parks

When it comes to being pet friendly, the **City of North Port** makes tails wag. With 14 pet-friendly parks **plus** two off-leash parks, residents and their four-legged friends have many ways to enjoy the City's parks and natural beauty. Just remember that City ordinance requires dogs to be leashed in most of our parks—and don't forget to clean up after them. Learn more at NorthPortFL.gov/MyLocalParks.



LOCATE OUR TWO OFF-LEASH PARKS ON PAGES 42 & 43. You'll also find an additional 14 parks for on-leash walking!

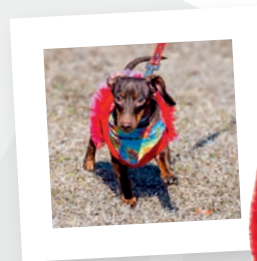
Some of our 16 dog-friendly, on-leash park rules (For complete list, see NorthPortFL.gov/DogFriendlyParks)

- Dogs must be kept on a handheld, maximum 6 ft. leash and under the physical control of the owner.
- Dogs must be vaccinated and display current tags.
- Dogs are not allowed on playgrounds, courts, batting cages or sports fields.
- Dogs may not be tied to trees or other objects.
- Dogs must be well behaved. Dogs displaying aggressive behavior towards people or other dogs must be removed from the park.

WOOFSTOCK

This dog-centric event is designed to provide canine owners with information on dog-related products and services. Dogs and their humans are invited to create connections with fellow dog owners and local companies and to participate in contests, K9 demos, food trucks and meet adoptable dogs! Dogs must have proper vaccinations and shot records in order to participate. Donations of dog/cat food and treats are welcomed and will be given to a local shelter.

Interested in being a vendor at this pawsome event? Contact 941-429-PARK (7275).



Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Saturday	Feb. 11	10 a.m.-2 p.m.	All	Free
Location	Canine Club Dog Park		Registration	None

DOG-GONE EGG HUNT

Bring your furry friends and a basket to hunt together for treat-filled eggs! When your pup touches an egg with its nose, into your basket it goes! Open eggs for treats and other prizes for your dog. Bring your camera to snap a pic with the Bunny. All four-legged friends must be with owner, on a leash and have current vaccinations.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Wednesday	Apr. 12	5:30 p.m.	All	Free
Location	Canine Club Dog Park		Registration	None





Opportunities to GET INVOLVED

ADOPT-A-PARK PROGRAM

Is your organization, club or business looking to get involved in our community? Through the **Adopt-a-Park** program, volunteers help provide maintenance and care of neighborhood parks, facilities, landscaped areas, nature trails and other public areas. Activities may include general park clean-up, landscaping or assistance in monitoring the parks. For information call **941-429-PARK (7275)** or visit NorthPortFL.gov/AdoptAPark.

YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Our Parks & Recreation Department and the Social Services Division offer recreation scholarships to help eligible North Port youth (aged 17 and under) participate in Parks & Recreation programs and activities—programs that offer positive experiences in physical, mental, and social well-being. **Want to Help?** Tax-deductible donations to the program are accepted from individuals, businesses, and community groups interested in having a direct, life-enhancing impact on a local child or teen. Donate online at NorthPortFL.gov/YouthScholarship or stop by either the Morgan Family Community Center or George Mullen Activity Center. Every dollar goes directly to **North Port Youth Scholarships**.

WANT TO APPLY FOR A SCHOLARSHIP? Stop by the Morgan Family Community Center or George Mullen Activity Center or visit NorthPortFL.gov/YouthScholarship.



GET IN FRONT OF RESIDENTS WITH EVENT OR AMENITY SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES!

Looking to connect with members of the North Port community? Consider becoming an event or amenity sponsor with Parks & Recreation. On average, we reach more than 130,000 people with e-mail, event ads, media releases and social media exposure prior to our signature events! From tiered sponsorship opportunities to in-kind support to marketing collaborations, there are a variety of options. We would love to talk with you and your organization about the possibilities. For information on becoming a sponsor, contact Laura Ansel at LAnsel@NorthPortFL.gov or visit NorthPortFL.gov/Sponsor.

PARKS SALUTING SERVICE MEMBERS

Join us in recognizing our heroes by helping the City construct a tribute in North Port that will honor members of the United States Armed Forces. We would love to partner with your organization as we move forward with the park development at the City Hall Campus. There are several ways to be involved—from helping to develop the park plan to securing funding to helping to identify certified services for the proposed Park. For more information or to offer help, contact **Jeff Nelson** at the **Veterans Park Advisory Committee** at 941-429-7061 or email JNelson@NorthPortFL.gov.

TRIBUTE PROGRAM

Whatever the occasion, your donation of a tree, bench or paver to the City of North Port parks system will leave a lasting impact on our community. Donations may include trees, benches, and pavers. Donors may select from a variety of locations and can customize the message to be displayed (subject to City approval). Gifts may be tax-deductible in support of the City's park system. Learn more at: NorthPortFL.gov/Tribute or call us at 941-429-PARK (7275), option #2.





Hosting an event? RENTAL FACILITIES*

MORGAN FAMILY COMMUNITY CENTER (MFCC) RENTAL RATES*

ROOM	SQUARE FEET	CAPACITY	HOURLY RATE	NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION RATE ¹
Gymnasium: full court	11,748	780	\$100	\$50
Gymnasium: ½ court	5,874	390	\$75	\$37.50
Multi-Purpose room with kitchen	3,150	210	\$85	\$42.50
Multi-Purpose room (½) with kitchen	1,575	105	\$60	\$30
Multi-Purpose room (½) w/o kitchen	1,575	105	\$50	\$25
Meeting room	1,546	74	\$50	\$25
Meeting room (½)	773	37	\$30	\$15
Arts & crafts room	764	37	\$30	\$15
Dance room	880	58	\$35	\$17.50

PARK AND PAVILION RENTALS**

FACILITY	CAPACITY	HOURLY RATE	NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION HOURLY RATE ¹
Pavilions: Hope, LaBrea, Pine, Butler	15	Res: \$15 / N-Res.: \$20	Res.: \$7.50 / N-Res.: \$10
Pavilions: Highland Ridge, Blue Ridge, Kirk, McKibben	25	Res: \$20 / N-Res.: \$25	Res.: \$10 / N-Res.: \$12.50
Pavilions: Dallas White, Atwater Suite, MCEP	50	Res.: \$25 / N-Res.: \$30	Res.: \$12.50 / N-Res.: \$15

*All facilities with the exception of pavilions must be reserved in person at any of the following locations: Morgan Family Community Center (6207 W. Price Blvd.); George Mullen Activity Center (1602 Kramer Way); North Port Aquatic Center (6205 W. Price Blvd.) **Reserve pavilions online at NorthPortFL.gov/Rental. ¹ Registered 501(C)3 organizations are eligible for a 50% discount on standard fees, not including kitchen rentals, staff, or technology fees; not applicable for NPAC rentals.

**RENTAL FEES,
UPDATES & MORE
INFORMATION**

Fees subject to change each fiscal year, which begins annually on Oct. 1. **More questions?** Call us at **941-429-PARK (7275), option #3.** For current fees, see: **NorthPortFL.gov/Rental**





HOST YOUR NEXT EVENT WITH NORTH PORT PARKS & RECREATION

Not only is it simple, but it's affordable. Our friendly staff can find the perfect location, large or small, indoors or out!



Contact our reservations team at **941-429-PARK (7275)** | option 3

RENTAL FACILITIES* (cont.)

GEORGE MULLEN ACTIVITY CENTER (GMAC) RENTAL RATES*

ROOM	CAPACITY	SQUARE FEET	REGULAR HOURLY RATE	NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION RATE ¹
Gymnasium: full court	449	6,834	\$80	\$40
Gymnasium: ½ court w/stage	225	4,177	\$50	\$25
Gymnasium: ½ court w/o stage	224	3,417	\$40	\$40
Meeting Room C	31	414	\$25	\$12.50
Meeting Room D	31	414	\$25	\$12.50
Kitchen	37	125	\$15	\$7.50

SCOUT HOUSE (NPSH) RENTAL RATES*

Scout House	120	2,400	\$50	\$25
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GREEN SPACE AND COURT RENTALS*

FACILITY	CAPACITY	REGULAR HOURLY RATE	NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION RATE ¹
Outdoor athletic courts	Varies	\$15	\$7.50
City Center Front Green	Varies	\$40	\$20
City Center Rear Courtyard	Varies	\$30	\$15

NORTH PORT AQUATIC CENTER (NPAC) RENTAL RATES

See Page 27; No discounts applicable for NPAC rentals



ATHLETIC FIELDS AND COURTS RENTAL RATES*

Practice/standard use of fields	Rate	Details
Youth leagues, Sarasota County Public Schools	\$3.50	per field/hr
Schools (private/home school groups & other counties)	\$6.50	per field/hr
Private groups/amateur youth groups	\$6.50	per field/hr
Adult leagues	\$12.60	per field/hr
General publics (e.g. sport camps, training clinics & similar)	\$16.50	per field/hr
Tournament use of athletic fields	Rate	Details
Youth league tournament - half day (less than 5 hours)	\$50	per field
Youth league tournament - full day (5 hours or more)	\$75	per field
Adult league tournament - half day (less than 5 hours)	\$75	per field
Adult league tournament - full day (5 hours or more)	\$100	per field
Athletic field lighting fees	Rate	Details
Youth league	\$10	per field/hr
Adult league	\$20	per field/hr
Tournament light fee	\$20	per field/hr
Outdoor athletic courts	Rate	Details
All user groups	\$15	per court/hr

Unforeseen weather is a main reason for field closures within our parks system. Sign up for [RainoutLine.com](https://rainoutline.com)—a one-stop notification service—and always be the first to know when fields are closed. There are three ways to sign up:

- Get the free iPhone or Android app by searching for **“Rainout Line.”**
- Visit [RainoutLine.com](https://rainoutline.com) and search for “North Port Parks & Rec.”
- Call **941-841-4410** and listen for prompts.

Please note that the app is only updated during normal business hours of operation. Currently, this does not include nights or weekends. ***Fees valid through 9/30/23**

SIX OPTIONS FOR FIELD PLAY

The City of North Port is home to a variety of outstanding athletic fields—and Parks & Recreation is your point of contact for reservations and maintenance needs. Our fields include:

Atwater Community Park: Features four (4) lighted Little League fields; one (1) lighted regulation baseball field; concession stand

Butler Park: Features four (4) lighted multipurpose fields; concession stand

Dallas White Park: Features one (1) lighted softball field; two (2) lighted sand volleyball courts

Larry Thoennissen Fields: Features two (2) lighted multipurpose fields near the George Mullen Activity Center

Narramore Soccer Complex: Features three (3) lighted multipurpose fields; concession stand

Narramore Softball Complex: Features three (3) lighted softball fields; one (1) t-ball practice field; concession stand

RENTAL FORMS & RATES:
[NorthPortFL.gov/AthleticFieldRentals](https://northportfl.gov/AthleticFieldRentals)

TO MAKE RESERVATIONS:
ParkRentals@NorthPortFL.gov
 or call **941-429-PARK (7275)**

FACILITY INFO & HOURS

OUR FACILITIES

North Port Parks & Recreation offers facilities built to fit the diverse needs of our community. Our two community centers host a variety of classes, events, recreational opportunities and amenities, including indoor basketball courts and workout equipment – and our Aquatic Center offers programs and amenities fit for every age!



MAIN FACILITY HOURS & INFO Main Line: 941-429-PARK (7275)

Morgan Family Community Center

6207 W. Price Blvd.

Monday - Friday, 5:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Saturday, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Sunday closed

- 33,000 sq. ft. multi-use facility
- Fitness center & exercise studio
- 12,000 sq. ft. gymnasium
- Banquet/meeting space
- Teen Lounge/game room
- Dance studio

George Mullen Activity Center

1602 Kramer Way

Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Saturday, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Sunday closed

- 12,500 sq. ft. Multi-Use Facility
- Fitness center
- Gymnasium
- Stage • Meeting Space

Warm Mineral Springs Park*

12200 San Servando Ave.

Monday - Sunday; 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

941-426-1692

- Natural warm water spring
- Gift shop • Spa services
- Listed on the National Register of Historic Places

*Temporarily closed.
Visit NorthportFL.gov for updates.

Skate Park

5651 North Port Blvd.

Monday - Sunday

8 a.m. - 10 p.m.

- Mixed-Use skateboard/BMX bike park
- Beginner and advanced area
- Free admission

Atwater Community Park

4475 Skyway Ave.

Monday - Sunday, Sunrise - 10:00 p.m.

- Splash Pad (10 a.m. - dusk)
- Baseball-Themed playground
- Baseball fields
- Pavilions
- Free admission

North Port Aquatic Center

6205 W. Price Blvd.

Operating hours vary by season. Visit:

NorthPortFL.gov/Pool

- Heated competition pool ¹
- Concessions ¹
- Lazy River ²
- Water park ²
- Kids activity pool ²
- Three slides ²

¹ Year-Round amenities
² Seasonal amenities

Visit NorthPortFL.gov/ParksAndRecreation for scheduled season and holiday closures.

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PARKS & AMENITIES

Park/Facility	Baseball	Basketball	Football	Racquetball	Shuffleboard	Soccer	Softball	Volleyball	Pickleball	Tennis/Pickleball (shared)	Tennis	Boat Ramp	Canoe/Kayak Launch	Fishing	Natural Spring	Splashpad	Swimming	Dog Friendly	Off Leash Park	Service Animals Only	Equestrian	Natural Trail	Paved Trail	Pavilion	Pavilion Electricity	Grill	Outdoor Fitness Equipment	Playground	Restroom	MAP #		
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**FOR MORE
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1	Atwater Community Park	4475 Skyway Ave.	15	Marina Park	7030 Chancellor Blvd.
2	Blue Heron Park*	501 North River Rd.	16	Marius Park	6890 Marius Rd.
3	Blue Ridge Park	2155 Ridgewood Dr.	17	McKibben Park	5500 Trezell St.
4	Butler Park	6203 W. Price Blvd.	18	Morgan Family Community Center	6207 W. Price Blvd.
5	Canine Club	6700 Appomattox Dr.	19	Myakkahatchee Creek Environmental Park	6968 Reisterstown Rd.
6	City Center Front Green	4970 City Hall Blvd.	20	Narramore Sports Complex	7508 Glenallen Blvd.
7	Dallas White Park	5900 Greenwood Ave.	21	North Port Aquatic Center	6205 W. Price Blvd.
8	Garden of the Five Senses	4299 Pan American Blvd.	22	Scout House	5845 Greenwood Ave.
9	George Mullen Activity Center	1602 Kramer Way	23	Skate Park	5651 North Port Blvd.
10	Highland Ridge Park	6225 Kenwood Dr.	24	Oaks Park	5430 Mandrake Terrace.
11	Hope Park	8161 Lombra Ave.	25	Pine Park	4556 McKibben Dr.
12	Kirk Park	8305 Trionfo Ave.	26	Sumter Boulevard Linear Park	Sumter Blvd.
13	LaBrea Park	6430 LaBrea St.	27	Veterans Park	13750 S. Tamiami Trail
14	Larry Thoenissen Athletic Fields	1602 Kramer Way	28	Warm Mineral Springs Park	12200 San Servando Ave.

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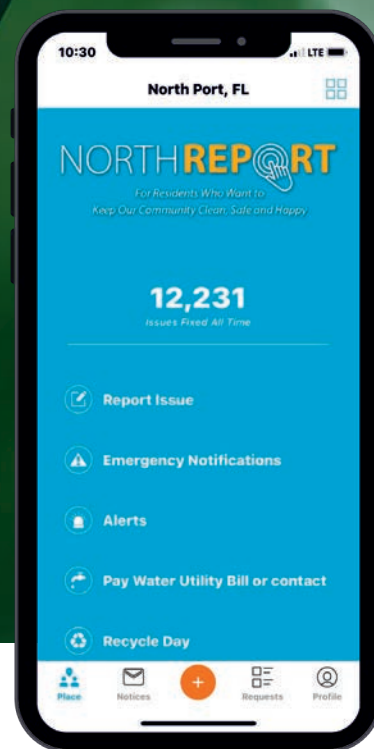
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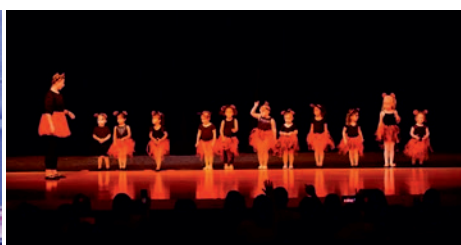
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