



# CITY OF MISHAWAKA



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PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT  
ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

Mishawaka Parks Department and the Battell Community Center have been closely monitoring updates from the CDC regarding COVID-19. Our main priority has been the community and our patrons. With this in mind, we have made some changes to our events and activities through May 1, 2020 in an effort to keep our community safe.

The Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) has flagged mental health a top concern associated with COVID-19 outbreak. Parks provide a connection to the outdoors and green space as well as opportunities for physical activity which studies demonstrate reduces the stress and improves mental health.

### **Social Distancing in Public Parks and Trails:**

- ❖ Do not use parks or trails if you are exhibiting symptoms.
- ❖ Follow CDC's guidance on personal hygiene prior to visiting parks or trails.
- ❖ Be prepared for limited access to public restrooms or water fountains.
- ❖ Share the trail and warn other trail users of your presence and as you pass.
- ❖ Observe CDC's minimum recommended social distancing of 6' from other persons at all times.

### **The following activities and events have been cancelled or postponed:**

- Youth Volleyball @ Battell Center – cancelled, rescheduled date TBD
- Soccer Clinics @ Battell Center – cancelled, will not be rescheduled
- Adult Volleyball – postponed
- Say Yes to the Dress @ Battell Center – cancelled, rescheduled date TBD
  - o Dresses are still being collected @ Battell Center through December 31, 2020
- Easter Egg Hunt @ Central Park – cancelled, rescheduled date TBD
- Let's Cook @ Castle Manor – rescheduled for May 21, 2020 from 5:30-6:30 pm
- Visit Your Parks Challenge – postponed, rescheduled date TBD
- Spring Soccer – postponed until further notice
- Teen Nerf Night @ Battell Center – cancelled
- Wilson Best Disc Doubles Tournament – postponed until fall 2020
- Senior Softball – postponed until May 5, 2020
- Real Services Lunches @ Battell Center – suspended until further notice
- VITA Tax Program @ Battell Center – cancelled
- Ballet @ Battell Center – postponed until further notice
- Keep Mishawaka Beautiful Day – postponed until further notice, depending on partners activities and commitments
- Urban Forestry Seminar – postponed, rescheduled date TBD
- April Educational Greenhouse Class – will resume in May
- All recreation groups @ Battell Center have been postponed until further notice
- All rentals @ Battell Center & Park Facilities have been suspended until May 1, 2020
- Rentals scheduled during this time have the option to reschedule (if facilities available) or get a refund.

### **The following facilities are still open:**

- Battell Center & Park Office – Monday-Friday, 8:00 am-5:00 pm
- George Wilson Hill – daily, sunrise to sunset (weather permitting)
- Eberhart-Petro Golf Course – daily, 8:00 am-6:00 pm (weather permitting)

\*Open facilities are practicing social distancing, cleaning/sanitizing all areas frequently

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to our Parks Office at [parks@mishawaka.in.gov](mailto:parks@mishawaka.in.gov) or by phone at (574) 258-1664 ext. 1.