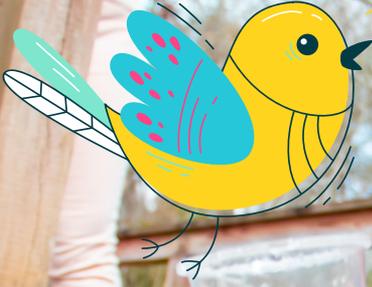




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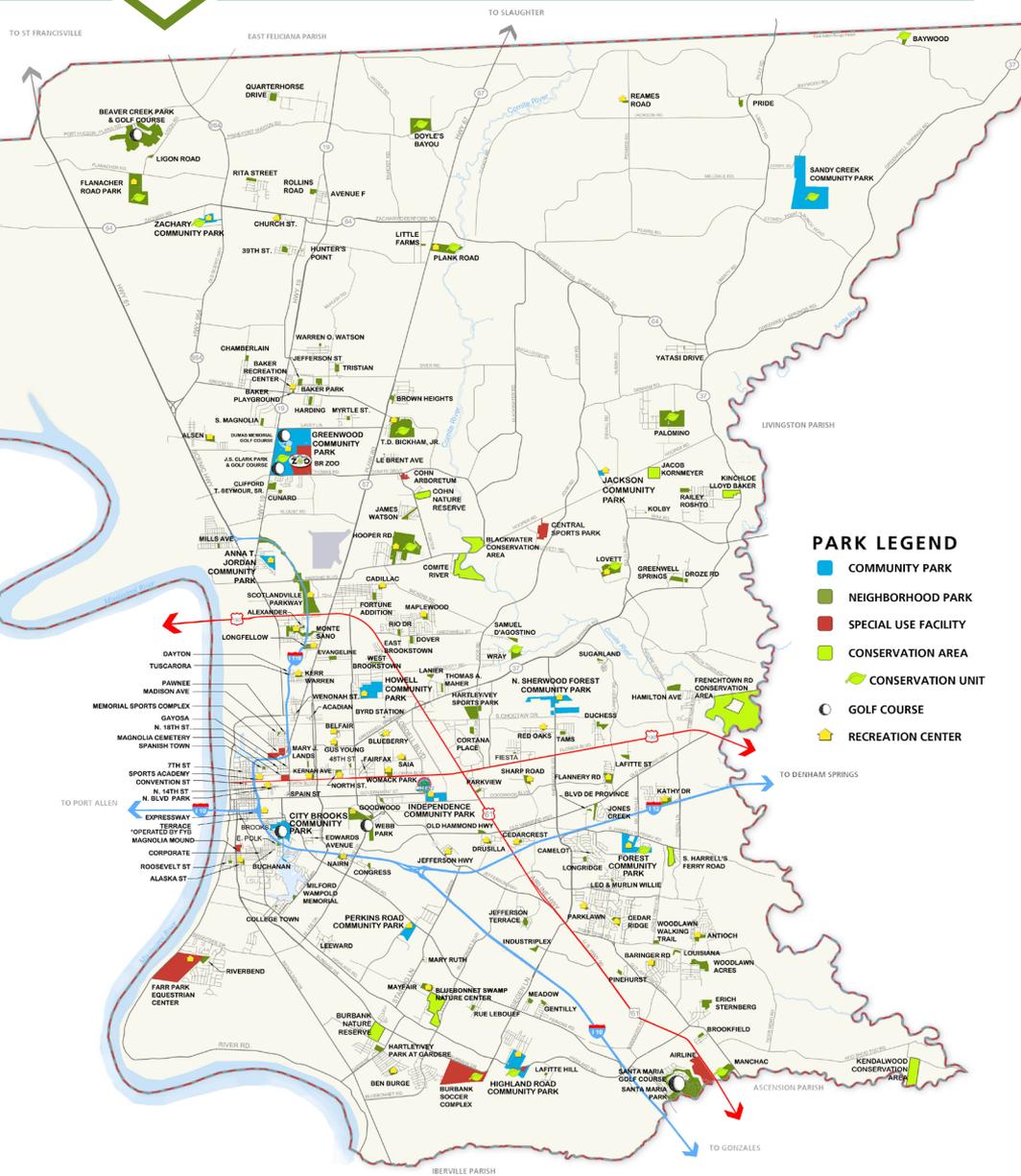
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PLAYBOOK

CLASSES + PROGRAMS + CAMPS + EVENTS



PARK SYSTEM MAP



PARK LEGEND

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- NEIGHBORHOOD PARK
- SPECIAL USE FACILITY
- CONSERVATION AREA
- CONSERVATION UNIT
- GOLF COURSE
- RECREATION CENTER



BREC is dedicated to creating a healthy community by providing public access to safe parks, trails and recreation facilities with programs that encourage physical activity, cultivate a connection to nature and contribute to a greater sense of social, mental and physical well-being.

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BREC IS COMMITTED TO A CULTURE OF INCLUSION!

We provide recreational programs that are accessible and equitable to our community. We strongly encourage integration, as this inclusive recreation environment provides our patrons with even greater options for their leisure time. Therefore, anyone needing special accommodations to enjoy one of our programs is offered to participate in a recreational assessment conducted by a trained professional here at BREC. This assessment must be completed a minimum of two weeks prior to the program start date. This service is provided at no cost to the patron, as staff will make every attempt to facilitate inclusion of our patrons with needs into our diverse array of recreational opportunities and experiences, we offer. If you would like to schedule a recreational assessment, please email recadaptive@brec.org.

Due to the nature of the Covid-19 Pandemic, all programs and events are subject to change due to government and CDC restrictions and recommendations.

A WORD FROM BREC



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LETTER FROM SUPERINTENDENT COREY WILSON



Dear BREC Families,

As the holiday season winds to a close, the BREC team is hard at work planning events and programs that will help make winter days brighter and take advantage of the spring weather that brings out the beauty all around us – especially in our

parks. BREC's Play Book is a handy guide designed to help you fill your calendar full of fun for you, your family and friends. Inside the guide, you will find something for just about any interest, and for all ages and abilities.

As always, when school is out BREC camps are in and during the Mardi Gras and Spring Breaks, BREC will host a variety of holiday camps to ensure your children have safe places to engage in healthy activity, meet new friends and learn new skills. You will also find a "save the date" for summer camp registration in March so that you will be ready when the sign up opens as many camps fill up quickly.

You can help us celebrate a big birthday for the Zoo, go camping or fishing, experience a never-ending Easter egg hunt and learn how to wow everyone in the kitchen from a local "Top Chef" star. We are thrilled to have a full slate of in-person programs and events for our Adult Leisure, Adaptive and Teen programs after the pandemic forced us to hold them virtually for so long.

Watch our social media pages as many of our large construction projects will come to an end in 2022. We will invite you to celebrate with us as we cut the ribbon on a brand-new dog park, recreation centers, swimming pool, nature center education center, turfed ball fields, new playgrounds and so much more. BREC accelerated several construction projects to help the local economy during the pandemic while creating improved places for you to get out and exercise, meet new people and take a break from the stress of everyday life.

As we celebrate 75 years of providing exceptional parks and recreation experiences to East Baton Rouge Parish, we are excited about all the opportunities ahead for you and your families to make great memories in 2022.

Corey K. Wilson, BREC Superintendent



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ADAPTIVE RECREATION

 [BREC.ORG/ADAPTIVE](https://brec.org/adaptive)

Opportunities listed below are for all ages and no fees are associated unless otherwise noted.

Our goal is to offer a positive and supportive environment where individuals of all abilities can explore new recreation skills, develop socialization skills and have opportunities to participate in leisure and recreation programming to the fullest extent. While BREC strives to offer inclusive programs parish-wide we also offer separate programs exclusively for people with intellectual and cognitive disabilities.

More info:  molly.orr@brec.org

To register:  brec.org/AdaptiveRegistration

All BREC programs are inclusive. If you would like to participate in a BREC program and might require an accommodation, please contact Molly Orr at molly.orr@brec.org for more information or set up an assessment.

EVENTS

SENSORY BUNNY

Would you like to have your child take a picture with the Easter Bunny? Do traditional Bunny visits or standing in line prove to be difficult? Do large crowds overstimulate your child? If so, come to Sensory Bunny, where our trained staff offer crafts and activities while you wait to take a picture with the Easter Bunny.

ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK

March 25 / 6-8 p.m.

To pre-register:  brec.org/adaptiveregistration
100 family limit

SUNSHINE SOCIALS

Through partnership with Families Helping Families of Greater Baton Rouge, BREC is able to offer themed, monthly socials for adults with cognitive and developmental disabilities and their friends and family. There will be a disc jockey, snacks, door prizes, socialization and fun.

JEFFERSON HIGHWAY PARK BALLROOM

Third Friday of every month / 6-9 p.m. / Ages 16+
\$5 donation per month (Donation supports this program, including supplies and door prizes each month.)

Jan. 21: **It's All About Hats**

Feb. 18: **Pirates and Princesses**

March 18: **Leaping Leprechauns**

April 14 (Thursday, due to Good Friday): **Candy Land**

May 20: **Prom - A Whole New World**

To pre-register:  brec.org/adaptiveregistration
100 individual limit (participants/family members/PCAs/etc.)

ROLL/WALK/RUN

Ready, Set, Roll Walk Run! Helping to promote Developmental Disability Awareness Month, this walk is meant for everyone to come out and enjoy the beautiful park regardless of your ability. The walk helps to promote and a sense of belonging so make sure to come out decked out in your yellow and in whatever way you can!

FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

March 5 / 10 a.m.-noon / \$10 per participant

To register: 📧 webtrac.brec.org beginning Feb. 1

PROGRAMS

SUNSHINE CLUB

What do you do after graduation: you walk on Sunshine, of course! The Sunshine Club is here to help bridge the gap for adults with Intellectual and developmental disabilities by offering not only recreational experiences but life skills and volunteer opportunities. We learn how to be productive members of the community while exploring and learning new things with a bit of fun thrown in the mix.

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK - Sunshine Club Room

This is a year-round program (closed the week of New Year's Eve, Easter, Memorial Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas)

Ages: 18+ with intellectual or developmental disabilities / \$90 per week

Registration is ongoing, all participants need an assessment to register.

More info: 📧 molly.orr@brec.org

SUNSHINE INTERACTIVE DAYS

Are you looking for an opportunity to have fun and gather with friends during the day? Do you like trying new activities as well as revisiting those we all love? Come have fun with the Sunshine Interactive Group for teens and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

NORTH SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

Monday-Friday / 10 a.m.-noon

Monday: **Make it fun Monday**

Tuesday: **Try Something Tuesday**

Wednesday: **Wellness with movement and exercise**

Thursday: **Art**

Friday: **Karaoke**

To pre-register: 📧 brec.org/adaptiveRegistration
(Schedule is subject to change and will be emailed to those who have pre-registered for the program.)

ADAPTIVE CLASSROOM FIELD TRIPS

Field trips are available for adaptive PE classrooms in East Baton Rouge Parish. Groups will be allotted one hour riding time or on the ground learning about horses. Students must be able to hold themselves up on horse and follow simple instructions. Each classroom must provide one chaperone per three students. Limited to 16 students per field trip. Reservations mandatory.

FARR PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER

Every Thursday during the School Year / 10-11 a.m.

Ages: 6+ / \$7.50 per student

More info: 📧 frichards@brec.org ☎️ 225-769-7805

HEARTS + HOOVES

THERAPEUTIC RIDING PROGRAM

Riders aged 6 and up with physical, mental, and social disabilities participate in a six-week session of riding lessons tailored to their needs. Riders enjoy a one-hour class on horseback learning stretching exercises, basic equitation and games. Horseback riding is known to improve core strength and co-ordination and provide a unique social opportunity with peers. Maximum class sizes of 10 riders, with 2 Instructors and up to 3 volunteer assistants per rider.

FARR PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER

Spring Session 1: Monday / Jan. 24-Feb. 28

Spring Session 2: Monday / March 14-April 18

Available class times: 4:30 p.m. + 6 p.m.

Ages: 6+

\$120 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$144 for out-of-parish residents

Registration opens: Jan. 1 / Pre-registration required
Scholarships are available

More info: 📧 frichards@brec.org ☎️ 225-769-7805

To register: 📧 webtrac.brec.org

To volunteer: 📧 volunteer.brec.org

INCLUSIVE LEAGUES

Through a partnership with Special Olympics Louisiana, BREC offers inclusive leagues to participants ages three and older, with and without disabilities. These noncompetitive leagues teach sport fundamentals and teamwork while enjoying a social interaction.

INCLUSIVE SOFTBALL

FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

Skills Day: March 12

Games: March 26 + April 2 + 9 + 23 + 30 + May 7 + 14
9-11 a.m. / Ages: 3+

Teams will be grouped by ages (Ages: 3-6, 7-12, 13+)

\$10 per participant

To register: 📧 webtrac.brec.org, Feb. 14-April 2

ADULT LEISURE

 BREC.ORG/ADULTLEISURE

Opportunities listed below are for ages 55+ and no fees are associated unless otherwise noted. Please see the table of contents for more information if special accommodations are needed.

The BREC Adult Leisure genre includes recreation facilities, events and programs across East Baton Rouge Parish offering a variety of recreational opportunities for adults ages 55 and up. These opportunities vary and can include arts and crafts, health and wellness and seasonal pop-up events.

More info:  pturner@brec.org

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

EVENTS

TEA DANCE

Come visit with us on Tuesdays to socialize with your peers while enjoying light refreshments and live entertainment.

JEFFERSON HIGHWAY PARK BALLROOM

Jan. 11-June 28 (No Tea Dance on March 1, Mardi Gras)
Tuesday / 1-3 p.m.

LOVETT ROAD PARK

Jan. 12-June 29 (No Tea Dance on March 2, Ash Wednesday)
Wednesday / 1-3 p.m.

\$5 per person

To pre-register:  pturner@brec.org or pay at the door

PROGRAMS

ARTS + CULTURE PROGRAMS

CLASSIC CERAMICS CLASS

Do you have an interest in discovering the ins and outs of ceramics? Our ceramic instructor will guide you on the techniques involved in the painting and glazing of ceramics. The focus of this class is not the forming of the ceramic pieces but the processes of painting and glazing to preformed ceramic pieces of your choice. The project fee will cover all necessary supplies to complete your chosen ceramic piece (preformed ceramic piece of your choice, paint, brushes, and other materials needed). There will be monthly themes for class and projects will reflect the theme.

WEBB PARK ADULT LEISURE CENTER

Jan. 13-June 30 / Thursday / 10:30 a.m.-noon
\$20 per project

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

CLASSIC CERAMICS OPEN STUDIO

Are you looking for a space to create your ceramic projects while socializing with your peers? Join us at our open studio where you can bring your own supplies. You can also purchase a preformed piece from our section if you would like. Experienced participants can assist each other and provide insight on the techniques involved in the painting and glazing of the ceramics projects at hand.

SHARP ROAD PARK ADULT LEISURE CENTER

Jan. 11-June 30 / Tuesday + Thursday / 9-11 a.m.

LOYAL TO THE SOIL GARDENING CLUB

Do you have a green thumb? Are you interested in learning more about gardening? Either way, the Loyal to the Soil Gardening program is for you! This program will allow you the opportunity to contribute your time and expertise to grow nutritious foods, socialize with others and give contribute to your community.

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK

Jan. 12-June 29 / Wednesday / 9:30-11 a.m.

ALSEN PARK

Jan. 13-June 30 / Thursday / 10-11 a.m.

PAINTING WITH A PURPOSE

Are you interested in learning to paint? Our Painting with Purpose class provides participants the opportunity to experience and explore a variety of painting techniques and mediums. The instructor will guide the class in painting projects and allow them to explore their creativity by creating unique pieces of art. There will be monthly themes and related projects such as: painting by number projects, guided painting on poster as well as canvases and much more. Participants will receive a supply list to purchase their own materials (such as paint brushes, canvas, posters, and acrylic paints needed).

WEBB PARK ADULT LEISURE CENTER

Jan. 11-June 29 / Tuesday / 12-2 p.m.

To pre-register:  pturner@brec.org or pay at the door

SHARP AS A NEEDLE SEWING CLASS

Do you have a sewing machine, patterns or fabric laying around? Are you interested in developing a new skill and learning how to sew? No matter what skill level you are starting from, Sharp as a Needle Sewing Class is for you! Our instructor will teach you all you need to know about the sewing machine: parts, function and how to operate. There will be different patterns and materials presented, discussed and utilized to make individual projects.

WEBB PARK ADULT LEISURE CENTER

Jan.10-June 27 / Monday / 10-11:30 a.m.

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK

Jan. 13-June 30 / Thursday / 9-10:30 a.m.

WARMTH OF THE EARTH POTTERY PROGRAM

Use your hands to get creative while shaping and molding clay into beautiful pieces of artwork. Basic pottery techniques are introduced where participants will be allowed to create, paint, and glaze their individual pieces. The finished product will then be fired by the instructor for you to pickup at a later date.

SHARP ROAD PARK ADULT LEISURE CENTER

Jan. 10-June 29

Monday + Wednesday + Friday / 9:30-11 a.m.

HEALTH + WELLNESS CLASSES

Are you ready to get out of the house and have some fun? Come and enjoy a low impact aerobics class with us! No matter your schedule or area of East Baton Rouge Parish, we have an option that will work for you. These classes work your entire body utilizing great music and purposeful moves that helps you to get in the groove, in and out of class.

BUSY BODIES

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK

Jan. 10-June 29

Monday + Wednesday + Friday / 8:30-9:30 a.m.

FOREVER YOUNG

NORTH SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

Jan. 10-June 30

Monday + Tuesday + Thursday / 9:30-10:30 a.m.

COMMIT TO BE FIT, CHAIR AEROBICS CLASS

Are you interested in a low impact workout, without the risk of losing balance or falling? Come and enjoy our seated, low impact aerobics class! Commit to Be Fit Chair Aerobics works your entire body utilizing great music and purposeful moves while being supported in a seated position.

ALSEN PARK

Jan. 10-June 27 / Monday / 9:30-10:30 a.m.

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK

Jan. 10-June 27 / Monday / 10-11 a.m.

NORTH SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

Jan. 12-June 29

Wednesday + Friday / 9:30 -10:30 a.m.

WEBB PARK ADULT LEISURE CENTER

Jan. 12-June 29 / Monday / 10-11 a.m.

To pre-register: pturner@brec.org or pay at the door

BEGINNER LINE DANCE

In our instructor led line dance classes you will learn a variety of dances to various songs. With beginner as well as advanced class options, there is definitely a class that is right for you.

FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

Jan. 11- June 28

Tuesday / 10:15-11:15 a.m. + 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Thursday / 5:45-7 p.m.

To register: webtrac.brec.org, starting Dec. 29, 2021

STEPS IN MOTION LINE DANCE CLASS

Get up, step up and line up to the latest beats and the classics in our Steps in Motion Line Dance Class! Our line dance classes are fun for everyone. The instructor will break down a variety of dances to give you a great workout and prepare you for your next reception or event!

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK

Jan. 11-June 28 / Tuesday / 10-11 a.m.

NORTH SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

Jan. 11-June 30 / Tuesday + Thursday / 11 a.m.-noon

ALSEN PARK

Jan. 12-June 29 / Wednesday / 10-11 a.m.

WALKING WITH JOY

More than just an exercise program, it is a positive and healthy start to your day. We will reach fitness goals by walking while we visit and converse in a group setting.

ALSEN PARK

Jan. 11-June 28 / Tuesday / 10-11 a.m.

ZUMBA GOLD®

Come party yourself into shape with Zumba classes with a nationally Certified ZUMBA instructor. Zumba is a Latin-inspired, easy-to-follow, calorie burning, and dance-fitness party you do not want to miss. It fuses hypnotic Latin rhythms and easy to follow aerobic moves to create a one-of-a-kind fitness programs that is energizing. This class is month-to-month with no contract needed, so sign up and start dancing your way to a healthier, more vibrant you!

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK

Jan. 10-June 27 / Monday / 11 a.m.-noon

\$24 per month



ADVENTURE + SPORTS

 BREC.ORG/ADVENTUREANDSPORTS

Opportunities listed below are for all ages and no fees are associated unless otherwise noted. Please see the table of contents for more information if special accommodations are needed.

EVENTS

SHOW UP AND PLAY

INTERMEDIATE ADULT ROUND ROBIN TENNIS

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Jan. 5-May 25 / Wednesday / 7-8:30 p.m.

Ages: 18+ / Court fees applicable

No registration required

FARR PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER'S

STUDENT HORSE SHOW

Watch students compete in Western and English riding events. Classes include: equitation over fences and on the flat, barrel racing, pole bending, trail, Western horsemanship, and showmanship.

FARR PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER

Winter

English classes show: Jan. 15

Western classes show: Jan. 16
9 a.m.

Spring

Western classes show: April 23

English classes show: April 24
9 a.m.

More info:  frichards@brec.org  225-769-7805

MLK YOUTH PICKLEBALL CLINIC

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Jan. 17 / Monday / 8:30-11:30 a.m. / Ages: 6-17

\$10 per person

Registration Deadline: Jan. 13

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

COMITE RIVER RUN

Join us for BREC's 2nd annual Comite River Run! Runners will take to the trails for a 5-mile Competitor's Loop along the river and through the woods. Join us after the race for food and a little fun. Awards will be given for 1st- 3rd in the Men's and Women's division. There will also be finisher medals/ awards for all runners who complete the course.

COMITE RIVER PARK

Jan. 22 / 8 a.m.-1 p.m. / Ages: 8+ / \$25 per person

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

More info:  outdooradventure@brec.org

COMITE CLASSIC

Test your mountain bike skills at the Comite Classic! Sign up for either our 1 loop (5 mi.) novice division or our 3 loop (15 mi.) advance division. Each loop is approximately 5 miles. After the race join us for food and fun. Prizes will be awarded to the top three male and female finishers in each division.

COMITE RIVER PARK

Feb. 12 / 9 a.m.-1 p.m. / Ages: 8+ / \$25 per person

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

More info:  outdooradventure@brec.org

10 + UNDER TENNIS TOURNAMENT

This tournament features a singles round robin format with boys and girls divisions: ages 8 and younger on a 36 ft. court with a maximum 23-inch racquet; ages 10 and younger on a 60 ft. court with a maximum 25-inch racquet; ages 10 and younger on a 78 ft. court with a maximum 29-inch racquet. Free snacks and awards for players.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Feb. 19 + April 9 / Saturday / 8:30 a.m.-noon

Ages: 6-10 / \$18 per person

Registration Deadline: Wednesday before the tournament

To register:  webtrac.brec.org  225-766-0247

ADULT FUN PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT

Round Robin format. Various levels.

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

March 5 / Saturday / 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Ages: 18+ / \$20 per person

Registration Deadline: March 2

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

More info:  225-209-8320

PADDLE AWAY

Join us for a morning of exploration on the waters of beautiful Bayou Fountain. Paddle Away is a guided paddle trip, and we will travel as a group. Kayaks, life jackets and paddles are provided as part of your registration fee for this program. This program is designed for individuals with previous paddling experience.

BAYOU FOUNTAIN - HIGHLAND ROAD PARK

KAYAK LAUNCH

March 13 / 9 a.m.-noon / Ages: 12+

\$25-30 per person

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

More info:  outdooradventure@brec.org

OPEN HOUSE JUNIOR SINGLES TOURNAMENT

This is a great opportunity for beginner youth players to experience playing in a tournament. Format is 10-point sets. Free pizza, snacks, and beverages for players.

CAPITAL ONE TENNIS CENTER AT
CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK

March 18 + May 6 / Friday / 4-8 p.m. / Ages: 11-18
\$20 per person

Registration Deadline: Saturday before the tournament

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-343-3767

CAMPING 101

Would you like to go camping, but you don't know where to start? Then this beginner class is for you! Our experienced staff will guide you through skills workshops that will cover topics such as fire building, tent set up, packing, planning, and more. Following dinner, you will have the choice to camp overnight or call it an evening and head out. A quick breakfast will be provided in the morning.

HIGHLAND COMMUNITY PARK

March 26+27 / 3 p.m.-10 a.m. (overnight)
Ages: 12+ / \$25-\$30 per person

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

More info: 📧 outdooradventure@brec.org

BR BIKE FEST

Are you bananas for bicycles? Join us for Baton Rouge's first inaugural bike festival. Come enjoy velodrome demonstrations, free rides on BREC's BMX track, BMX skate park competition, bicycle polo, and guided bicycle rides along the Pennington Trail. This event will feature many bike related organizations throughout East Baton Rouge Parish, and aims to support two-wheeled locomotion and a love for all this bicycling. It'll be wheely fun.

PERKINS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

April 9 / 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

More info: 📧 outdooradventure@brec.org

PETS + PADDLE

What can be more fun than to give your family pet a nice boat ride on the University Lakes? This all-in-one event, in cooperation with Friends of the Animals, Pet's and Paddling is an annual fundraiser and pet adoption program. Make a \$10 contribution to Friends of the Animals and take your pooch out in a kayak or paddle board. This is a great opportunity to help a wonderful cause and enjoy some time outdoors with your four-legged friends.

MILFORD WAMPOLD PARK

April 23 / 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Rainout date is May 30

\$10 Donation to Friends of the Animals

PROGRAMS

ARCHERY 101

Want to explore archery? Then join us for this one-day introduction class to the skills of archery. Come enjoy the fun that comes with shooting a bow and arrow and let us help you get on target! This class is for ages 16 and up only. BREC will provide all equipment necessary.

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK

Jan. 19 / 6-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 16+
\$15-18 per person

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

More info: 📧 outdooradventure@brec.org

ARCHERY 101 JR.

Want to explore archery? Then join us for this one-day introduction class to the skills of archery. Come enjoy the fun that comes with shooting a bow and arrow and let us help you get on target! This class is for youth from ages 8-15. BREC will provide all equipment necessary.

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK

Jan. 26 / 6-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 8-15
\$15-18 per person

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

More info: 📧 outdooradventure@brec.org

BMX ON THE DIRT TRACK

"BMX on the dirt track" is a BMX skills clinic designed to introduce beginner BMX riders to the skills and techniques associated with successful dirt track riding. During this clinic, an experienced instructor will guide riders on the essentials of track riding such as pedaling, pumping, taking the turns and navigating jumps and obstacles. This clinic is open to riders of any skill level. Our instructors meet the rider where they're at and will be there to guide riders with both general and specific technique coaching based on their individual abilities. BREC will provide all equipment necessary.

EXTREME SPORTS PARK AT

PERKINS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

Feb. 5 + March 5 + April 2 / 9-10 a.m.
\$20 per person

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

More info: 📧 xsports@brec.org 📞 225-766-9039



SKATEBOARDING BASICS

"Skateboarding Basics" is a basic skateboarding skills clinic for entry level skaters. During this clinic an experienced instructor will guide skaters on the essentials of riding your board at the park. This involves skills such as etiquette, turning, riding transition, and much more. This clinic is open to skaters at any skill level. Our instructors meet the skater where they're at and will be there to guide riders with both general coaching to meet then based on their personal abilities. BREC will provide all equipment necessary.

EXTREME SPORTS PARK AT
PERKINS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

Feb. 12 + March 12 + April 10 + May 14 / 9-10 a.m.
\$20 per person

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

More info: 📧 xsports@brec.org ☎️ 225-766-9039

ARCHERY ACADEMY

Archery Academy is designed to take you from archery newbie to bullseye bound in four short weeks. Our instructors will provide you with basic archery instruction, educate participants on common archery equipment, and safe archery practices. You will spend lots of time shooting with plenty of opportunity to practice your new found archery skills. We meet once a week for four weeks to review and practice skills, ending in an explosive conclusion! Both youth and adults are welcome. All equipment is provided.

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK

Feb. 10 + 17 + 24 + March 3 / 6-7:30 p.m.
Ages: 8+ / \$40 per person

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

More info: 📧 outdooradventure@brec.org

SKATEBOARDING BASICS 2.0

Did you love skateboarding basics and want to take you park skills to the next level? Then join us for Skateboarding basics 2.0. Skateboarding Basics 2.0 is a skateboarding skills clinic that expands on the skills learned in our entry level skateboarding basics clinic. During this clinic an experienced instructor will guide skaters on the essentials of riding your board at the park. This involves skills such as etiquette, turning, riding transition, and much more. This clinic is open to skaters at any skill level. Our instructors meet the skater where they're at and will be there to guide riders with both general coaching to meet then based on their personal abilities. BREC will provide all equipment necessary.

EXTREME SPORTS PARK AT
PERKINS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

Feb. 19 + March 20 + April 16 / 9-10 a.m.
\$20 per person

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

More info: 📧 xsports@brec.org ☎️ 225-766-9039

BMX AT THE PARK

"BMX at the Park" is an entry level, beginner skatepark BMX skills clinic specifically for riding the skatepark. During the clinic one of our experienced instructors will guide riders on the essentials skills of riding the park such as etiquette, riding transition, and bunny hops. This clinic is open to riders at any skill level. Our instructors meet the rider where they're at and will be there to guide riders with both general and specific issues they may be having. These clinics are limited to 10 riders to ensure quality instruction, sign up now while spots are still available! BREC will provide all equipment necessary.

EXTREME SPORTS PARK AT
PERKINS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

February 26 + March 26 + April 23 / 9-10 a.m.
\$20 per person

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

More info: 📧 xsports@brec.org ☎️ 225-766-9039

SKATEBOARDING ACADEMY

Do you want to learn to skateboard? Then join us for Skateboarding Academy, over four weeks our staff will teach the fundamentals of skateboarding, from balance, board control, transition riding, ollies and more. This class meets consecutively over a four-week period so you have time each week to practice the lessons from each class and grow your skills. This class is open to skaters at any skill level. Our instructors meet the skater where they're at and will be there to guide riders with both general coaching to meet then based on their personal abilities. BREC will provide all equipment necessary.

EXTREME SPORTS PARK AT
PERKINS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

March 16 + 23 + 30 + April 6 / 6-7 p.m.
\$50 per person

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

More info: 📧 xsports@brec.org ☎️ 225-766-9039

KAYAK ACADEMY

Kayak Academy is a four-week skills development class designed to get your beginner paddler comfortable and confident on the water. In this class, you will learn everything from kayaking strokes and maneuvers to on-water safety and how to transport your kayak from point A to point B. Each week we will build upon the last going more in-depth and providing more time to practice your new skills! This class is perfect for those who have attended Kayaking 101 or who are comfortable on the water but want to progress their paddling skills to the next level.

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK

March 23 + 30 + April 6 + 13 / 6-7 p.m. / Ages: 12+
\$40-\$48 per person

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

More info: 📧 outdooradventure@brec.org

KAYAKS + COFFEE

Looking for something more than your average cup of Joe to kickstart your morning routine? Try adding a little spice with Kayaks & Coffee, a fantastic blend of adventure and exercise to get you ready to face the day.

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK

April 20 + May 3 / 10 a.m.-noon / Ages: 18+
\$10-\$12 per person

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

More info: 📧 outdooradventure@brec.org

SUNSET PADDLE

Join us as we paddle into the beautiful south Louisiana sunset. Enjoy the fading warm colors as we explore this time at sunset. This experience is perfect for youth and adults with little or abundant watercraft skills. Kayaks and canoes are available to rent, but these spots go quick so make sure to register in advance before the event is full.

MILFORD WAMPOLD MEMORIAL PARK

April 21 + May 12 / 6:30-8 p.m. / Ages: 12+
\$10 per single kayak / \$20 per tandem kayak

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

More info: 📧 outdooradventure@brec.org

SUP 101

SUP bruh? We're stoked to be offering this SUP 101 course at Greenwood Community Park. So come hang with us as we take our stand-up paddle boards out on the Greenwood Lake. Let us help you get comfortable standing and paddling on the open water. All SUP equipment provided.

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK

May 10 / 6-7 p.m. / Ages: 12+ / \$15-18 per person

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

More info: 📧 outdooradventure@brec.org

KAYAKING 101

A beginner to intermediate paddling class on local BREC ponds. You will be given the opportunity to explore paddling skills on dry land, before moving on to water to get a true feel for how kayaks handle in their natural environment. Instructors will coach participants on basic kayak handling, strokes, and techniques, and maneuvering skills to help you feel comfortable on the water in the kayak. This prepares you for the other BREC Paddling Programs.

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK

May 17 / 6-7 p.m. / Ages: 12+ / \$15-18 per person

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

More info: 📧 outdooradventure@brec.org

Equestrian Programs

ENGLISH + WESTERN RIDING LESSONS

Learn how to ride a horse or improve on your skills. Farr Park offers riding lessons to students ages 6 and older at all different levels. Group and private lessons are available.

FARR PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER

Tuesday-Friday, year round

Lesson Times: 4 p.m. + 5:30 p.m. / Ages: 6+

Group Lessons: (no more than 5 riders)

\$27 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$32.40 for out-of-parish residents

Private Lessons:

\$47 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$56.40 for out-of-parish residents

Private Introductory Lessons:

Ages: 6-8 / 30 min. sessions

\$27 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$32.40 out-of-parish residents

More info: 📧 frichards@brec.org 📞 225-769-7805

TROT + BREW ADULT HORSEMANSHIP

Adults will meet for half hour of "coffee talk" and then ride for 1 hour. Learn about horses, riding, care of the horse, etc in a fun and relaxed environment. Coffee will be provided. Basic English and Western will be taught in the program.

FARR PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER

Jan. 24-April 18 / no program March 7

Monday / 7:30-9 p.m.

Ages: 25+

\$35 per class

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

More info: 📧 frichards@brec.org 📞 225-769-7805

GUIDED TRAIL RIDES

BREC's Farr Park Equestrian center is proud to offer guided trail rides on select Saturdays and Sundays. Enjoy a one-hour gentle ride through the park or in the indoor arena on one of the BREC horses. This fun activity is perfect for families, groups, and friends. Trail rides are by appointment only, and all riders must be at least 6 years old. All ability levels welcome to join!

FARR PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER

Jan. 29 + Feb. 19 + March 19 + April 9 + May 7

Ride times: 9 a.m. + 10:30 a.m. + noon

Ages: 6+ / \$30 per rider

Maximum 8 riders per ride time.

Registration opens: Jan. 1

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

More info: 📧 frichards@brec.org 📞 225-769-7805

TENNIS PROGRAMS

BEGINNER ADULT INSTRUCTION

This four-week program for beginners introduces and reinforces fundamental tennis techniques. Walk-ins accepted.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
Jan. 3-24 + Feb. 14-28 (3 weeks) + March 7-28 +
April 4-25 + May 2-23
Monday / 6-7 p.m.

Ages: 18+

Jan. + March-May / \$40 per person
Feb. / \$30 per person

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-766-0247

STROKES, STRATEGY + PLAY FOR ADULT INTERMEDIATES

This four-week program reinforces stroke development, conditioning, and strategies for adult intermediate players. Walk-ins accepted.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
Jan. 3-24 + Feb. 14-28 (3 weeks) + March 7-28 +
April 4-25 + May 2-23
Monday / 7-8 p.m. / Ages: 18+

Jan. + March-May: \$40 per person
Feb.: \$30 per person

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-766-0247

HIGHLAND PARK JUNIOR TENNIS ACADEMY

This is a continuous year-round program separated into semesters. Skill levels include beginner, advanced beginner, and intermediate.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
Jan. 3-May 19 / Monday-Thursday / 4:30-6 p.m.
Ages: 5-17

Semester:

\$270 for one day per week

\$490 for two days per week

\$580 for three or more days per week

Monthly:

\$58 for one day per week

\$105 for two days per week

\$140 for three or more days per week

May:

\$44 for one day per week

\$79 for two days per week

\$105 for three or more days per week

Registration deadline: Must register 24 hours prior to attending class. Same day walk-ins not accepted.

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-766-0247

ADULT BEGINNER PICKLEBALL INSTRUCTION

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
Jan. 5-April 13 / Wednesday / 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Ages: 18+ / \$2 per person

No registration required.

BEGINNER ADULT INSTRUCTION

This four-week program for beginners introduces and reinforces fundamental tennis techniques. Walk-ins accepted.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
Jan. 5-26 + Feb. 2-March 2 (no class Feb. 9) +
March 9-30 + April 6-27 + May 4-25
Wednesday / 6-7 p.m. / Ages: 18+ / \$40 per person
To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-766-0247

GENEXIS LEAGUE PREP FOR ADULT BEGINNERS

This is a program for adult beginner players who desire to improve their tennis skills in preparation to play league tennis.

CAPITAL ONE TENNIS CENTER AT
CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK
Jan. 10-31 (no class Jan. 17) + Feb. 7-28 +
March 7-28 + April 4-25 + May 2-23
Monday / 7:30-8:30 p.m. / Ages: 18+
Monthly rate: Jan. \$70 + Feb.-May \$90
Weekly rate: \$25

Registration Deadline: Saturday before session begins

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-343-3767

AFTER SCHOOL JUNIOR TENNIS PROGRAM

Four-week session for beginners.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
Jan. 12-Feb. 2 + Feb. 16-March 9 + March 23-April 13
Wednesday / 4-5 p.m. / Ages: 8-16 / \$40 per person
Registration Deadline: Friday before session begins

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-923-2792

HOME-SCHOOL TENNIS PROGRAM

A six-week program designed especially for home-schooled children. Program includes drills, games, and tennis knowledge.

CAPITAL ONE TENNIS CENTER AT
CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK
Jan. 12-Feb. 16 + March 3-April 6
Wednesday / 1-2:30 p.m. / Ages: 5-17
\$60 per person

Registration Deadline: Sunday before session begins

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-343-3767

HOME-SCHOOL TENNIS PROGRAM

This six-week program is designed especially for home-schooled children. Participants will learn about the game of tennis in a fun learning environment. Program includes drills, games, and tennis knowledge.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER
Jan. 13-Feb. 17 + March 3-April 7
Thursday / 1:30-3 p.m. / Ages: 6-17 / \$60 per person
Registration Deadline: Friday before session begins

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-923-2792



PEE WEE TENNIS PROGRAM

This six-week program is designed especially for children between the ages of 3 - 6. Program includes drills, games, and tennis knowledge.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Jan. 13-Feb. 17 + March 3-April 7

Thursday / 1:30-2:15 p.m. / Ages: 3-6

\$50 per person

Registration Deadline: Friday before session begins

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org ☎️ 225-923-2792

OPEN HOUSE SERIES FOR JUNIORS

Kids come out and learn to play tennis. BREC provides equipment and racquets. Please bring a water bottle and dress to sweat.

CAPITAL ONE TENNIS CENTER AT
CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK

Jan. 15-May 7 (no sessions April 16) / Saturday

8:30-9:30 a.m. - Ages: 6-10

9:30-10:30 a.m. - Ages: 11-17

\$2 per person per class

No registration required

JUNIOR BEGINNER INSTRUCTION

This four-week program introduces and reinforces fundamental tennis techniques. Walk-ins accepted.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Feb. 1-March 1 (no class Feb. 8) + March 8-29 +

April 5-26 + May 3-24

Tuesday / 5-6 p.m. / Ages: 8-17 / \$40 per person

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org ☎️ 225-766-0247

TUESDAY NIGHT TENNIS

This on-going program is for players who are more consistent and can handle a faster pace. Focused drills as well as advanced technique and strategies. Walk-ins accepted.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Feb. 1-May 31

Tuesday / 6:30-8 p.m. / Ages: 18+

\$12 per person per session

JUNIOR ADVANCED BEGINNER INSTRUCTION

This four-week program reinforces fundamental tennis techniques, stroke development, and conditioning for advanced beginners. Walk-ins accepted.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Feb. 2-March 2 (no class Feb. 9) + March 9-30 +

April 6-27 + May 4-25

Wednesday / 5-6 p.m. / Ages: 8-17 / \$40 per person

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org ☎️ 225-766-0247

BEGINNER ADULT TENNIS CLINIC

This four-week program is for adults who want to learn the fundamentals of the game.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Feb. 2-23 + March 2-30 (no class March 9) +

April 6-27 + May 4-25

Wednesday / 6-7:30 p.m.

\$45 per person for all four sessions or \$13 per session

Registration Deadline: Friday before session begins

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org ☎️ 225-923-2792

INTERMEDIATE ADULT TENNIS CLINIC

This four-week program is for adults who want to fine tune their game.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Feb. 3-March 3 (no class Feb. 17) + March 17-April 7
+ May 5-26

Thursday / 6-7:30 p.m.

\$45 per person for all four sessions or \$13 per session

Registration Deadline: Friday before session begins

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-923-2792

PEE WEE PROGRAM

This four-week program consists of 45 - minute classes designed to introduce the game of tennis to younger children. Help your child develop motor skills, hand-eye coordination, overall athleticism, and fundamental tennis strokes. Fun is guaranteed!

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Feb. 5-March 5 (no class Feb. 19) + March 12-April 2 +
April 16-May 7

Saturday / 9:15-10 a.m. + 10:15-11 a.m.

Ages: 3-5

\$40 per person per session

Registration Deadline: Thursday before session begins

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-766-0247

SUNDAY MORNING TENNIS

This on-going program is for players who are more consistent and can handle a faster pace. Focused drills as well as advanced technique and strategies. Walk-ins accepted.

CAPITAL ONE TENNIS CENTER AT

CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK

Feb. 6-May 29 / Sunday / 8:30-10 a.m. / Ages: 18+

\$12 per person per session

PEE WEE CHAMPS

This five-week program is designed to help your child develop motor skills, hand-eye coordination, overall athleticism, and fundamental tennis strokes.

CAPITAL ONE TENNIS CENTER AT

CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK

March 4-25 / Friday / 3:45-4:30 p.m. / Ages: 3-6

\$50 per person

Registration Deadline: Feb. 27 (\$5 late fee after registration deadline)

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-343-3767

ADULT BEGINNER PICKLEBALL INSTRUCTION

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

May 4-25 / Wednesday / 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Ages: 18+ / \$2 per person

No registration required.

More info: 📞 225-209-8320

YOUTH ATHLETIC CLINICS

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL - PITCH, HIT, & RUN

Participants compete in either the Baseball Division or Softball Division and can advance through four levels of competition including Locals, Sectionals, Team Championships, and the National Finals during MLB All-Star Week. BREC Athletics local host site will be announced through our social media platforms.

PLANK ROAD PARK

April 30 / 10 a.m.-4 p.m. / Ages: 14 and younger

Free to participate

To register: 🌐 pitchhitrun.com or brec.org/athletics

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL - JR. HOME RUN DERBY (JRHRD)

JrHRD provides youngsters 14 and under an opportunity to participate in an exciting, free, home run derby competition. All Local events are individually scored, and the winners advance to one of ten (10) Regional Competitions. Regional Champions will advance and compete in the National Finals during Major League Baseball All-Star Week. BREC Athletics local host site will be announced through our social media platforms.

PLANK ROAD PARK

May 28 / 10 a.m.-4 p.m. / Ages: 14 and younger

Free to participate

To register: 🌐 mlb.com/junior-home-run-derby

ATHLETICS TUTORING PROGRAM

SCHOLAR - ATHLETES TUTORING PROGRAM

Powered by: Geaux Tutoring Services
Student-athletes or any scholar in recreational activities after school may not be able to utilize academic support programs that are available to the general student body due to practice, training, travel, or competition schedule. Geaux Tutoring services tailor to their schedule around the needs of its scholars to accommodate their schedules. Peer tutoring has been an essential part of Geaux Tutoring and has also been demonstrated as an effective method to improve scholar academic performance.

KATHY DRIVE

Monday-Friday / 4:45-7:45 p.m. / Year-long

\$25 per hour

Registration opens Jan. 1

LEAGUES

To register:  webtrac.brec.org, choose League Search

ADULT SPORTS

WEEKDAY ADULT WOMEN'S SOFTBALL

HARTLEY/VEY PARK AT OAK VILLA +
PLANK ROAD PARK + LOVETT ROAD PARK
Wednesday / 6:30-10 p.m. / Ages: 18+
\$395 per team

Winter League: Feb. 9-April 13
Winter Registration: Jan. 1-31

Spring League: May 11-July 13
Spring Registration: April 1-30

If games are cancelled due to weather, make up games will be played the following Monday for the Women's league.

WEEKDAY ADULT MEN'S SOFTBALL

HARTLEY/VEY PARK AT OAK VILLA +
PLANK ROAD PARK + LOVETT ROAD PARK
Monday + Wednesday / 6:30-10 p.m. / Ages: 18+
\$395 per team

Winter League: Feb. 7-March 30
Winter Registration: Jan. 1-31

Spring League: May 9-June 22
Spring Registration: April 1-30

SUNDAY COED SOFTBALL – RECREATIONAL

PERKINS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK
Sunday / 1-6 p.m. / Ages: 18+ / \$295 per team

Winter League: Feb. 6- March 27
Winter Registration: Jan. 1-31

Spring League: May 8- June 26
Spring Registration: April 1-30

SUNDAY COED SOFTBALL – COMPETITIVE

FOREST COMMUNITY PARK
Sunday / 1-6 p.m. / Ages: 18+ / \$295 per team

Winter League: Feb. 6- March 27
Winter Registration: Jan. 1-31

Spring League: May 8-June 26
Spring Registration: April 1-30

Depending on team count at each location league may be combined.

WEEKDAY ADULT COED VOLLEYBALL – RECREATIONAL

KATHY DRIVE PARK
Tuesday + Thursday / 8-10 p.m. / Ages: 18+
\$175 per team

Winter Indoor League: Feb. 8-March 31
Winter Registration: Jan. 1-31

Spring Sand League: May 10-June 23
Spring Registration: April 1-30

WEEKDAY ADULT WOMEN'S KICKBALL – RECREATIONAL

FOREST COMMUNITY PARK + PERKINS ROAD
COMMUNITY PARK + LOVETT ROAD PARK
Thursday / 6:30-10 p.m. / Ages: 18+
\$175 per team

Winter League: Feb. 10-April 14
Winter Registration: Jan. 1-31

Spring League: May 12-July 14
Spring Registration: April 1-30

If games are cancelled due to weather, make up games will be played the following Tuesday for Women's Kickball league.

WEEKDAY ADULT BASKETBALL – PREMIER

TEAM AUTOMOTIVE SPORTSPLEX
Monday + Wednesday / 8-10 p.m. / Ages: 18+
\$285 per team

Winter League: Feb. 7- March 30
Winter Registration: Jan. 1-31

Spring League: May 9-June 22
Spring Registration: April 1-30

WEEKDAY ADULT BASKETBALL – RECREATIONAL

SPORTS ACADEMY + MCKINLEY MIDDLE +
BAKER PARK
Tuesday + Thursday / 6:40 -10 p.m. / Ages: 18+
\$285 per team

Winter League: Feb. 8- March 31
Winter Registration: Jan. 1-31

Spring League: May 10-June 23
Spring Registration: April 1-30

SUNDAY ADULT 7V7 FLAG FOOTBALL RECREATION + COMPETITIVE LEAGUES

KATHY DRIVE
Sunday / 1-6 p.m. / Ages: 18+
\$395 per team / 8-10 Game Season

Winter League: Feb. 6-March 27
Winter Registration: Jan. 1-31

Spring League: May 8-June 26
Spring Registration: April 1-30

Depending on team count at each location league may be combined.

INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING TO BE A COACH OR REFEREE?

Athletics staff members will accept applications for coach and sports officials in March + June + October

More info:  volunteer@brec.org

ADULT NON-TRADITIONAL SPORTS

WEEKDAY HANDBALL

BREC Athletics will offer the community open play opportunity for the non-traditional sport, Handball this Winter and Spring. During this game two teams of 7 pass the ball using their hands trying to get the ball into the other team's goal. Weekday Handball registrations are accepted online and/or on location of the host park. Registration is required.

KATHY DRIVE

Friday / 4-6 p.m. / All ages

Winter Open Play: Jan. 10-Feb. 18

Winter Registration Opens: Jan. 1

Spring Open Play: April 4-May 9

Spring Registration: March 1-31

WEEKDAY FUTSAL

BREC Athletics will offer the community open play opportunity for the non-traditional sport, Futsal this Winter and Spring. Futsal is a smaller, indoor version of soccer played on a basketball sized court and a smaller ball. Being a faster pace game than the soccer we know, this allows players more touches than a regular game and are generally higher scoring making the game more exciting to play! Come out and give it a try! Weekday Futsal registrations are accepted online and/or on location of the host park. Registration is required.

KATHY DRIVE

Friday / 6-8 p.m. / All ages

Winter Open Play: Jan. 10-Feb. 18

Winter Registration Opens: Jan. 1

Spring Open Play: April 4-May 9

Spring Registration: March 1-31

ADULT TOURNAMENTS

BR3C (3ON3) ADULT BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

BREC Athletics will host its first BR3C Tournament formatted like the BIG3 league (3on3) you might see on TV. Each team that registers will be guaranteed two (2) pool play games and entry to the tournament bracket. Individuals will be participating in a highly competitive atmosphere. Join us for BREC Athletics first BR3C tournament!

NORTH SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

(Rain out location: Sports Academy)

May 14-15 / Ages: 18+

\$175 per team / 2 Game Guarantee

Registration: April 1-30

YOUTH SPORTS

YOUTH BASKETBALL

YOUTH GIRLS BASKETBALL – SPRING DEVELOPMENTAL LEAGUE

BREC Youth Girl's Developmental League is both competitive & instructional. Girls ages 8-12 will learn fundamental basketball skills, while competing in a fun & supportive environment.

SPORTS ACADEMY

Registration: April 1-30

Dribbling Day 1: April 2 / 9 a.m.-noon

Passing Day 2: April 9 / 9 a.m.-noon

Shooting Day 3: April 23 / 9 a.m.-noon

Defensive Day 4: April 30 / 9 a.m.-noon

League Groups: 10U & 12U

League Play: May 14-June 25

Ages: 8-12

\$75 per participant (includes a jersey for league play)

BREC YOUTH BOYS BASKETBALL – SPRING/SUMMER LEAGUE

All Coaches are required to complete and submit a BREC Volunteer Coaches Background Check Form by May 1 of each year: www.volunteer.brec.org. Teams/organizations with multiple teams and/or age groups are required to have more than one (1) coach per team per age group.

SPORTS ACADEMY + MCKINLEY MIDDLE

Tuesday + Thursday / 6-10 p.m.

\$200 per team / 8-10 Game Season

Registration: May 1-31

Summer League: June 14-Aug. 4

LEAGUES OFFERED

Sophomore (8-9)- Any player who has not reached his or her 10th birthday on or before May 1, 2022, is eligible to play.

Junior (10-11)- Any player who has not reached his or her 12th birthday on or before May 1, 2022, is eligible to play.

Senior (12-13)- Any player who has not reached his or her 14th birthday on or before May 1, 2022, is eligible to play.

Varsity (14-15)- Any player who has not reached his or her 16th birthday on or before May 1, 2022, is eligible to play.

YOUTH BASEBALL + SOFTBALL

More info on the location of a league:

 brec.org/athletics

YOUTH T-BALL

BREC Athletics offers a spring/summer youth t-ball season for youth ages 4-6. Our mission is to ensure that each participant registered for our program has a safe, fun, and enriching experience with baseball.

VARIOUS LOCATIONS

Monday + Wednesday / 6:40-9:40 p.m. / Ages: 4-6

\$200 per team / 8-10 Game Season

Spring/Summer League: May 16-July 6

Registration: April 1-30

A child is ineligible if he/she does not turn 4 before May 1 of current year. A child turning 7 years of age prior May 1 of current year will have to participate in Coaches Pitch.

YOUTH COACHES PITCH

BREC Athletics offers a spring/summer youth coach pitch season for youth ages 6-8. Our mission is to ensure that each participant registered for our program has a safe, fun, and enriching experience with baseball.

VARIOUS LOCATIONS

Tuesday + Thursday / 6:40-9:40 p.m. / Ages: 5 to 8

\$200 per team / 8-10 Game Season

Spring/Summer League: May 17-July 7

Registration: April 1-30

A child turning 9 years of age prior May 1 of current year will have to participate in Kid Pitch.

BREC'S KID PITCH

Powered by: Louisiana Youth Sports Network
BREC Athletics offers a spring/summer youth kid pitch season for youth ages 9-14. Our mission is to ensure that each participant registered for our program has a safe, fun, and enriching experience with baseball.

VARIOUS LOCATIONS

Monday + Wednesday / 6:40-9:40 p.m.

Division(s): 14U

Tuesday + Thursday / 6:40-9:40 p.m.

Division(s): 10U + 12U

\$325 per team / 12 Game Season

Spring/Summer League: May 17-July 7

Registration: April 1-30

KID PITCH DIVISION(S)

10U - Any player who has not reached his or her 11th birthday on or before May 1, 2022, is eligible to play.

12U - Any player who has not reached his or her 13th birthday on or before May 1, 2022, is eligible to play.

14U - Any player who has not reached his or her 15th birthday on or before May 1, 2022, is eligible to play.

GIRLS FAST PITCH SOFTBALL

BREC Athletics offers a spring/summer youth girl's fast pitch softball season for youth ages 9-12. Our mission is to ensure that each participant registered for our program has a safe, fun, and enriching experience with baseball.

VARIOUS LOCATIONS

Monday + Wednesday / 6:40-9:40 p.m.

Division(s): 10U + 12U

\$75 per player / 12 Game Season

Spring/Summer League: May 17-July 7

Registration: April 1-30 (Includes Team Shirt for play)

FAST PITCH DIVISION(S)

10U - Any player who has not reached his or her 11th birthday on or before May 1, 2022, is eligible to play.

12U - Any player who has not reached his or her 13th birthday on or before May 1, 2022, is eligible to play.

INCLUSIVE LEAGUES

Through a partnership with Special Olympics Louisiana, BREC offers inclusive leagues to participants ages three and older, with and without disabilities. These noncompetitive leagues teach sport fundamentals and teamwork while enjoying a social interaction.

INCLUSIVE SOFTBALL

FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

Skills Day: March 12

Games: March 26 + April 2 + 9 + 23 + 30 +

May 7 + 14

9-11 a.m. / Ages: 3+

Teams will be grouped by ages (Ages: 3-6, 7-12, 13+)

\$10 per participant

To register: 📧 webtrac.brec.org, Feb. 14-April 2

GOLF CLINICS

These instructions are provided by PGA Professional, Jack Terry.

To register: 📧 jtery@brec.org

📞 225-272-9200 EXT 1366

BEGINNER GOLF BASICS

For golfers that are just beginning and want to learn how to play the game. Participants will learn the fundamentals of a golf swing hitting with a 7 iron and a driver and putting and chipping instruction.

WEBB GOLF COURSE

March 4 + 28 / 9-11 a.m. / \$20 per session

SANTA MARIA GOLF COURSE

March 28 / 5-6:30 p.m. / \$25 per session

LEARN TO BREAK 100

For golfers past the beginning stage but struggling to put a round together and shoot a score under 100 for 18 holes. Participants will learn the fundamentals of a golf swing hitting with a wedge, 7 iron, hybrid and a driver and putting and chipping instruction

SANTA MARIA GOLF COURSE

March 22 + 31

9:30-11 a.m. / \$20 per session

5-6:30 p.m. / \$25 per session

LEARN TO BREAK 90

For golfers who have been playing regularly but have trouble shooting scores below bogey golf. Participants will learn the fundamentals of a golf swing hitting with a wedge, 7 iron, hybrid and a driver and putting and chipping instruction

SANTA MARIA GOLF COURSE

March 17 + 24

9:30-11 a.m. / \$20 per session

5-6:30 p.m. / \$25 per session



BASIC BUNKER INSTRUCTION:

This instruction course will help you improve your skill of hitting out of a sand, greenside or fairway bunker to ultimately up your golf game.

SANTA MARIA GOLF COURSE

March 11

9-10:30 a.m. / \$15 per session

5-6:30 p.m. / \$20 per session

BASIC PUTTING INSTRUCTIONS:

This instruction is primarily for golfers who 3 putt too often and keep missing short putts.

WEBB GOLF COURSE

March 21 / 9-10:30 a.m. + 5-6:30 p.m.

\$20 per session

SHORT GAME CLINIC:

This instruction is for beginners or immediate players who want to learn how to use the 60-degree wedge to chip.

CITY PARK GOLF COURSE

March 25

Beginners: 8-9 a.m. + 5-6 p.m.

Intermediate: 9:30-10:30 a.m. + 6:15-7:15 p.m.

\$10 per session

YOUTH ON COURSE

This is a program designed to get juniors on the course and more consistent play. Designed to be affordable, Youth on Course guides participants to join, establish an average scoring index and then participate in regular "play date competition." These events will be individual, teams, Adult-junior and a variety of settings for those wishing to be involved more competitively in the game.

The summer program will involve preparation sessions for beginning juniors in May, evaluation and play day sessions in June, then PGA Jr League in July, concluding with Coach's play during August.

Early Registration:

March 18 / noon-6 p.m. + March 19 / 8 a.m.-noon

Ages: 7-17

More info: golf.brec.org/programs

YOUTH ON COURSE PRE-EVALUATIONS

For beginning juniors pre-registered in the program (no walk ups) or juniors who have started previously but may still be in a beginner status, BREC will be conducting pre-evaluation sessions to give beginning juniors a head start into the program. These evaluations will be divided by age group and are conducted in the evening from 4-6 p.m. These are two-hour sessions that will focus on basic swing motions, as well as beginning chipping and putting.

\$10 per individual

Limit 4-5 juniors per group

More info: golf.brec.org/programs

GET GOLF READY

Designed for adults who are either beginners or wanting to break 100, 90, or 80 for the first time, Get Golf Ready provides instruction that primes the player with vital instruction so that they can enjoy playing golf. Instruction is typically one hour for groups of up to four participants. Check to see what specific clinics are offered involving full swing, short game, putting, and sand bunker play, or a score you are trying to achieve; be sure to sign up for an appropriate clinic. Instructions are primarily given in order to teach golfers how to score better when they play, and to better understand what they need to practice in order to improve. For ages 14 and older. Seniors, be sure to ask for the discount.

Due to high demand, golfers will need to reserve a spot in advance. Registration for April session will open on March 8.

SANTA MARIA GOLF COURSE

Weekday Morning Sessions

Age: 14+ \$40 / Seniors (60+): \$30

Afternoon Sessions

Age: 14+ \$45 / Seniors (60+): \$35

Evening Sessions (after 3 p.m.) + Saturday

Age: 14+ \$50 / Seniors (60+): \$40

More info: golf.brec.org/programs

AQUATICS

 BREC.ORG/AQUATICS + LIBERTYLAGOON.COM

BREC POOLS

Pool hours are subject to change based on operations and/or inclement weather. There is no cost for entry to these facilities.

Locations:

CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK POOL
1650 Eddie Robinson, Sr. Drive

HOWELL COMMUNITY PARK POOL (CLOSED for 2022)
5509 Winbourne Avenue

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK POOL
1750 Stilt Street

SPLASH PADS

Cool off from the heat at one of BREC's splash pads. The BREC splash pads are interactive water play areas with no standing water. Anyone can activate the water spray features by simply pushing the activator button located within the splash pad. This will engage the water system and which will run for approximately 12 minutes and turn off. Pushing the button will activate the system again.

Dates & Times of Operation:

March 5-October 16, daily

Locations:

CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK
1650 Eddie Robinson Sr. Dr.

FOREST COMMUNITY PARK
13900 South Harrell's Ferry Road

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK
13350 Hwy. 19

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK
14024 Highland Road

JACKSON COMMUNITY PARK
12250 Sullivan Road

CLOSED TEMPORARILY FOR RENOVATIONS

NORTH SHERWOOD COMMUNITY PARK
3140 North Sherwood Forest Dr.

ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK
20055 Old Scenic Hwy.

LIBERTY LAGOON

Dates of Operation:

April 23-May 22: Open Saturday + Sunday only
(closed Mother's Day May 8)

May 28-Aug. 1: Open Daily

Aug. 6-Sept. 4: Open Saturday + Sunday only

Sept. 23-Oct. 9: Surf + Slide, Friday-Sunday / 3-6 p.m.

Hours of Operation:

Monday + Tuesday + Thursday: 10 a.m.-1 p.m. / 2-5 p.m.

Wednesdays: 2-5 p.m.

Friday-Sunday: 10 a.m.-1 p.m. / 2-5 p.m. / 6-9 p.m.

(The facility will be cleared 15 minutes prior to closing time)

Admissions:

Under 1 Year Old: Free

General Admission: \$12

Active Military + First Responders (with ID):

receive \$2 discount when purchased at ticket window

Public Lockers: available on-site (rental fee)

Season Passes:

Limited Session Pass: \$59.99+tax

Valid for the 2022 Operational Season: Monday-Thursday

Extreme Season Pass: \$100+tax

Valid for the 2022 Operational Season + Bonus over 48" receives Shockwave wristband every visit

 libertylagoon.com  225-923-3202

 libertylagoon@brec.org



ARTS + CULTURE

 BREC.ORG/ARTSANDCULTURE

Opportunities listed below are for all ages and no fees are associated unless otherwise noted. Please see the table of contents for more information if special accommodations are needed.

EVENTS

FIRST FREE SUNDAYS

Free guided tours will be offered on the first Sunday of each month.

MAGNOLIA MOUND

Jan. 2 + Feb. 6 + March 6 + April 3 + May 1

Tour times: 1 p.m. + 2 p.m. + 3 p.m.

More info:  225-343-4955

SWAMP ART SPECTACULAR

Join us for our 3rd Annual Swamp Art Spectacular, featuring work from local artists in the fields of Fabric Arts, Fine Arts and Photography – focusing on the theme “Impressions of Louisiana Nature”. Come visit during the exhibition and vote on your favorite piece in both the youth and adult categories – winners will receive a prize at the end of the show!

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

Jan. 14-Feb. 27 / Normal operating hours

Swamp Art Soirée

Jan. 13 / 5:30-7:30 p.m. / Adults Only

Meet the Artist Reception

Feb. 27 / 2:30-4:30 p.m. / All ages

General admission fees apply

Registration is not required

More info:  225-757-8905  swampevents@brec.org

HOMAGE TO A HERO: RYAN HICKMAN

We can all be heroes! When he was 7 years old Ryan Hickman started Ryan’s Recycling. What started out as collecting cans and bottles from his neighbors to recycle has risen to over 50 customers and over 200,000 bottles and cans. His inspiration? “It’s because bottles get to the ocean and then animals get sick and die.” Let’s all be heroes and celebrate this young activist by discussing recycling and painting the perfect ocean landscape!

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK

March 12 / 10:30 a.m.-noon / Ages: 8+

\$20 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$24 for out-of-parish residents

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

More info:  225-272-9200 EXT 1505

 robin.mcandrew@brec.org

SWAMP ART SHOW FIELD DAYS

Those interested in working on entry pieces for upcoming Swamp Art Show Series shows can visit the swamp on this day for inspiration (FOR FREE!). Whether your gear includes canvases or cameras, come out and enjoy this paint-out and field-shoot day. Bring your own supplies – we’ll provide workspace indoors and out for you to create your masterpieces!

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

April 23 + 24 / Normal operating hours

Registration is not required

More info:  225-757-8905  swampevents@brec.org

FAE FEST

Come out and join us for a magical day of fun for everyone! Come dressed in your favorite FAE costume and celebrate the earth and how to preserve and make it beautiful while enjoying whimsical and fun activities with a FAE twist. This event will feature carnival games, clowns, stilt walkers, FAE folk, face painters, crafts, and other exciting family entertainment for all to enjoy. With each carnival game you can earn tickets to redeem popcorn, cotton candy, and other great prizes! Admissions is free for fairies, sprites, gnomes, and elves of all ages. Costumes are certainly encouraged!

PERKINS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

May 7 / 1-4 p.m. / All ages

More info:  recreationevents@brec.org

INTERNATIONAL MUSEUM DAY

Museums are places of learning. Come join in supporting the education work of Magnolia Mound. An international event, Magnolia Mound will offer free guided tours for visitors. #InternationalMuseumDay

MAGNOLIA MOUND

May 18 / 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

More info:  225-343-4955



PROGRAMS

CRAFT CORNER AT THE SWAMP

Looking to express yourself through some nature-themed crafts while enjoying the sights and sounds of the Swamp? Join us quarterly as we host Craft Corner and provide a variety of fun and interactive crafts for you to complete with us or take home to work on at your leisure. This program is included with your general admission.

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

Jan. 7 + 8 + April 8 + 9 / 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

General admission fees apply

Registration is not required

More info: 📞 225-757-8905 📧 swampevents@brec.org

ART IN MOTION

Want to learn how to dance? This program will teach you the basics of the genres of jazz, tap, ballet and hip hop. The clinic is open to all levels of dance skills. A showcase will be held at the end of the program to show off dance routines learned. Bring your moves and come join us to get your groove on.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK

Jan. 18-April 26 / Tuesday / \$22 per month

5-6 p.m., Ages: 3-5

6-7 p.m., Ages: 6-9

7-8 p.m., Ages: 10+

To pre-register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

POP- UP ART

Do you love being creative? Join in on the fun with Pop-Up art. Participants will use their creative side to make a work of art. Pop up art inspires everyone to be creative and use their imagination to make a masterpiece.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

Jan. 7-May 6 / Friday / 11a.m.-noon

Ages: 2+ joined with their parent/guardian

More info: 📧 Manasha.vick@brec.org

ART IMAGINATION

Join us as we offer great hands-on-classes for ages 6 and up. You'll find all the things that you love most about art. Participants will create arts and crafts projects while enjoying soft music. Register online today!

KERR WARREN PARK + MILLS AVENUE PARK + MONTE SANO PARK

Jan. 12 / Wednesday / 5-6 p.m. / Ages: 6+

More info: 📧 VSelvage@brec.org

To pre-register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

HIP HOP DANCE

Come join us for a vibrant form of dance that combines a variety of freestyle movements such as popping, locking and breaking to create a cultural piece of art.

EXXON MOBIL/YMCA AT HOWELL PLACE GYM

Jan. 12 / Wednesday / 6-7 p.m. / Ages: 6-16

More info: 📧 VSelvage@brec.org

To pre-register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

QUILTING CLASS

Come join us to make a beautiful, pieced 45"X45" quilt. Participants will receive hands-on instruction to make a quilt top using precut fabric pieces over the course of 6 weeks. In this session we will create a Log Cabin quilt and learn popular patterns including a Carpenter's Star. Note there is a separate material fee from the class fee.

LOVETT ROAD PARK

Jan. 12-Feb. 16 / Wednesday / 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Ages: 20+

\$54 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$64.80 for out-of-parish residents

\$20 Material Fee

To pre-register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

More info: 📧 jmarcotte@brec.org

WREATH MAKING CLASS

Join us for a few hours of crafting and creating as we make wreaths to celebrate the season! Participants will receive guided instruction and all art supplies to complete a wreath. Pre-Register at webtrac.brec.org.

LOVETT ROAD PARK

Spring Sunflower Wreath

March 20 / 2-4 p.m.

More info: 📧 jmarcotte@brec.org

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK

Mardi Gras Wreath

Jan. 23 / 2-4 p.m.

Feb. 20 / 2-4 p.m.

Ages: 16+ / \$45 per class / \$54 out-of-parish residents

More info: 📧 VSelvage@brec.org



YOUTH ART PROGRAMS

SATURDAY MORNING STUDIO

This spring Saturday Morning Studio is meeting new cultures, seeing America, visiting Europe and writing poetry! Each month BREC Art will treat students to a new art experience with history and an emphasis on culture and fun!

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK

10:30 a.m.-noon / Ages: 8-12 / \$10 per class

Jan. 15: Fish and Chips - Join us chaps for a morning of Fish and Chips! Students will use mixed media to create a fun take on the British favorite. Cheerio!

Feb. 19: Hometown America - Following the wonderful work of Mattie Lou O'Kelley (1908-1997) students will draw and paint a primitive art landscape.

March 19: Shel Silverstein - Shel Silverstein urged his readers to catch the moon or invite a dinosaur to dinner—to have FUN! In this class students will hear and discuss Mr. Silverstein's work and then write a few, fun, imaginative poems of their own!

April 9: Gnome Home - Inspired by German garden statues, students will love using their imaginations to create a toadstool home that is perfect for a little gnome. Flap door and gnome included!

To register: webtrac.brec.org

More info: robin.mcandrew@brec.org

☎ 225-272-9200 EXT 1505

LITTLE PICASSO'S

A fun introduction to the elements of fine art. Young artists will experience firsthand the aspects of art through acrylic paint, oil pastels, watercolor and mixed media.

JEFFERSON HIGHWAY PARK

Tuesday / March 8 + 15 + 22 + 29 / 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Ages: 5-7

\$30 per month for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$36 for out-of-parish residents

To register: webtrac.brec.org

More info: ☎ 225-272-9200 EXT 1505

✉ robin.mcandrew@brec.org

ADULT ART PROGRAMS

ART UNWINED

Tired of the same ol' paint and drink?! If so, then check out BREC's adult- only, fun and creative grown-up time outs. Each of these classes are designed to encourage and inspire while enjoying beverages and nibbles. All art supplies, nibbles and adult (or not) beverages included. Great for friend get-togethers, bridal parties, corporate team building or just making new friends! Private Art UnWINEd bookings are also available. Must be 21 to join the fun.

Clay Sweeties! - Great for couples and fun for single friends! This Valentine inspired clay class will allow participants to throw and decorate a bowl and glaze heart shaped bisqueware mugs. Muddy Mary's and breakfast treats are all part of the fun! Class taught by local artist, Terri Kennedy.

DRUSILLA LANE PARK

Feb. 12 / 10:30 a.m.-noon

Hanami (Watching Blossoms) - Cherry blossoms are a symbol of renewal. In this art-together, participants can reflect upon the spirit of a new season as they paint beautiful acrylic Japanese cherry blossoms. Fortunes and Saki will be shared.

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK

March 11 / 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Still Life Blues

This class will encourage participants to paint a still life like no other! By using different watercolor techniques in hues of blue, class-goers will create a beautiful and unique abstract still life. Wine and cheese will be served.

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK

April 1 / 6:30-8:30 p.m.

\$45 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$54 for out-of-parish residents

To register: webtrac.brec.org

More info: ☎ 225-272-9200 EXT 1505

✉ robin.mcandrew@brec.org

MUDDY BUDDIES: A CLAY WHEEL THROWING CLASS FOR BEGINNERS

This class is for those who've always wanted to touch, throw and play with clay! We will use the potter's wheel to learn how to make basic shapes used in all pottery: the cylinder and the bowl. With these two shapes we will create and design mugs and bowls limited only by your own imagination! This class will also explore trimming and how to glaze. You will finish this fun class with your own mugs, bowls, and the experience of making art on a potter's wheel! Let's get muddy!

DRUSILLA LANE PARK

Session 1: Tuesday / Jan. 11 + 18 + 25 + Feb. 1
Session 2: Thursday / Jan. 13 + 20 + 27 + Feb. 3
6-8 p.m. / Ages: 16+
\$150 East Baton Rouge Parish residents
\$180 out-of-parish residents

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org
More info: 📞 225-272-9200 EXT 1505
✉️ robin.mcandrew@brec.org

NEW! OPEN CLAY STUDIO

BREC Art is proud to offer scheduled open wheel use for both seasoned clay artists and beginners. Our new studio has everything you need to throw the perfect piece including tools and our new potter's wheels.

DRUSILLA LANE PARK

Available Sessions:
Jan.-April / Tuesday + Wednesday + Thursday
5-6:30 p.m. or 7-8:30 p.m.
Jan. 8 + Feb. 5 + March 5 + April 2 + May 2 / Saturday
8:30-10 a.m. + 10:30 a.m.-noon + 12:30-2 p.m.

May 3-12 / Tuesday + Wednesday + Thursday
5-6:30 or 7-8:30 p.m.
\$25 per session

Classes not offered every Tuesday-Thursday
More info: 🌐 brec.org/openclaystudio

THEATRE

FILM BASICS

In this program, participants will learn the basics of cinematography. This course will highlight filmmaking and photography through visual art instruction.

INDEPENDENCE EVENT CENTER

Jan. 3-21 / Monday + Wednesday / 5:30-7 p.m.
Ages: 13-17 / \$175

More info: 🌐 theparktheatre.com

ACTING WORKSHOP (KIDS)

This program will give participants the basics of acting. Through games, exercises and instructions, participants will come out with a greater understanding of acting. No experience necessary.

INDEPENDENCE PARK THEATRE

Feb. 7-25 / Monday + Wednesday / 5:30-7 p.m.
Ages: 6-12 / \$125

More info: 🌐 theparktheatre.com

ACTING WORKSHOP (TEENS)

This program will highlight ways to make your performance more natural and spontaneous. Students will work with ensemble building games, script analysis and scene study. Want to build confidence, improve public speaking and develop a strong sense of teamwork, then this is the perfect program for you!

INDEPENDENCE PARK THEATRE

Feb. 7-25 / Monday + Wednesday / 5:30-7 p.m.
Ages: 13-17 / \$125

More info: 🌐 theparktheatre.com

IPT SHORTS

This is a four-week program to allow youth participants to star in two short films and a holiday film. They will get to work in an atmosphere that promotes growth on both sides of the camera.

INDEPENDENCE PARK THEATRE

March 7-30 / Tuesday + Thursday / 5:30-7 p.m.
Ages: 9-17 / \$175

More info: 🌐 theparktheatre.com

POETIC PERCEPTIONS

This is a program designed to get back to the basics of writing poetry and adding a performative aspect for slams and open mic nights.

INDEPENDENCE PARK THEATRE

March 8-31 / Tuesday + Thursday / 5:30-7 p.m.
Ages: 18+ / \$125

More info: 🌐 theparktheatre.com

HEALTH + WELLNESS

 BREC.ORG/HEALTHANDWELLNESS

Opportunities listed below are for all ages and no fees are associated unless otherwise noted. Please see the table of contents for more information if special accommodations are needed.

EVENTS

MAKE YOUR OWN LANE – VIRTUAL WALK/ RUN CHALLENGE

March 50K virtual challenge! 50K is only 31 miles that is one mile a day! Walk it! Run it! JUST KEEP MOVING!
March 1-31 / Ages: 6+

To register:  brec.org/ownlane
More info:  brecconthegeaux@brec.org

PASSPORT TO CUISINE

Join Chef Audrey Brust as we explore dishes from around the world. This four-part series will guide participants step-by-step to create gluten-free, international cuisine with a southern flare. Chef Audrey was a participant on Season 1 of Top Chef Jr. She loves to share her passion for food and prove that gluten-free dishes can be easy and delicious! Chef Brust will be demonstrating all of the dishes and participants will receive items to help re-create the dishes at home. Participants will not be cooking during this demonstration.

NORTH SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY PARK
April 6 + 13 + 20 + 27 / Wednesday / 6-7:30 p.m.
Ages: 13+

\$40 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents
\$48 for out-of-parish residents

To pre-register:  webtrac.brec.org
More info:  sarah.soltau@brec.org

WALK IT OUT: BLOCK PARTY FIT

Its Lupus Awareness Month! Come join us for a community walk, a time for the community to join each other across the parish to raise awareness of the physical, emotional, and economic impact of Lupus. This event will be followed by an outdoor public party hosted by BREC on the Geaux! Live entertainment, vendors, fitness demonstrations and much more! Giving you the chance to meet up with your neighbors, getting to know them face-to-face and providing opportunities to bring the community closer together

HOWELL COMMUNITY PARK
May 28 / 10 a.m.-3 p.m. / All ages

To register:  brec.org/walkitout
More info:  recreationevents@brec.org

PROGRAMS

CARDIO AT THE PAVILION

Join BREC on the Geaux for active, physical movement in cardio exercise at the pavilion every Monday in April. The program promotes health, wellness, and physical activity. Exercise genres will vary from week to week.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK
April 4 + 11

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK
April 18 + 25

5:30-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 6+
More info:  brecconthegeaux@brec.org

DRIVE TO START

Are you lacking motivation, energy, or accountability to reach your goals, ambitions, or dreams? Join BREC on the Geaux, as we help you set goals, create a plan, and put it to action.

LOVETT ROAD PARK
Jan. 10 + 12

FOREST COMMUNITY PARK
Jan. 17 + 19

NORTH SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY PARK
Jan. 24 + 26

ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK
Jan. 31 (make up day)

5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 6+

To register:  brec.org/drive
More info:  brecconthegeaux@brec.org

DRIVE TO FINISH

Starting was easy now to endure to finish is the CHALLENGE, no worries BREC on the Geaux is here! We will take your action plans and be your accountability partners to help you to create a LIFE habit! Only 21 days of fun, work, and commitment needed. Participating in "DRIVE TO START" encouraged but not required.

FOREST COMMUNITY PARK - Feb. 7 + 9

NORTH SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY PARK
Feb 16 + 21

ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK - Feb. 23 + 28

LOVETT ROAD PARK - March 3

5:30-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 6+

To register:  brec.org/drive
More info:  brecconthegeaux@brec.org

LINE DANCE

Wanna move and groove? Come join a choreographed dance in which the group will dance along to a repeating sequence of steps while arranged in one or more lines. Sure to get your heart pumping and your blood moving!

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK

Jan. 10 / Monday / 6-7 p.m. / Ages: 16+

To pre-register:  webtrac.brec.org

LOW IMPACT AEROBICS

This is a beginner workout plan made to be fun and safe for anyone. We employ a variety of methods to get you moving including aerobics and weight training.

NORTH SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

Thursday / 6-7 p.m.

\$30 per month

To pre-register:  webtrac.brec.org

MARTIAL ARTS

Martial arts class teaches how to exercise the mind, body and spirit through focused, purposeful movements. In addition to self-defense skills, participants learn self-discipline, self-confidence and positive social behaviors.

LONGFELLOW PARK

Jan. 4-May 24 / Tuesday / 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Ages: 6-18 (Beginner)

Jan. 5-May 25 / Wednesday / 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Ages: 6-18 (Intermediate)

To pre-register:  webtrac.brec.org

PILATES

Pilates combines low-impact flexibility and strength exercise with endurance movements. This class is for every ability and the instructor will provide examples for various levels.

LOVETT ROAD PARK

Thursday / 6:30-7:30 p.m.

\$24 per month for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

NORTH SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

Monday + Wednesday / 6-7 a.m.

\$30 per month for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$36 for out-of-parish residents

To pre-register:  webtrac.brec.org

TANG SOO DO

Interested in learning a form of karate? This class is a Korean traditional form of martial arts taught by an instructor with an extensive martial arts background. You will learn the basis of hand strikes, kicks, and blocks.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK

Jan. 10-May 25 / Monday + Wednesday / 5-7:30 p.m.

Ages: 6-12 / \$25 per month

To pre-register:  webtrac.brec.org

VOLLEY TENNIS

Looking for a workout for the entire body? Your legs, shoulders, arms, hands, upper back, and lower back all come into play. It's a great way to get active and have fun with friends. Come join us!

LONGFELLOW PARK

Jan. 12-May 25 / Wednesday / 6-7:30 p.m.

Ages: 16+

To pre-register:  webtrac.brec.org

XTREME HIP HOP WITH TIFF

Are you ready to challenge your family to step outside their comfort zone? Are you looking for a safe place for them to express their personality and burning off that energy through the latest styles of hip hop? Join Tiff with Xtreme Hip Hop for one hour a week, you are welcome, even if you have never had one single step class! See you soon!

BEN BURGE PARK (ELVIN DRIVE)

Jan. 4-May 31 / Tuesday / 6-7 p.m. / Ages: 16+

\$24 per month for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

More info:  dbarlow@brec.org

ZUMBA®

Come party yourself into shape with Zumba® classes. Zumba® is a Latin-inspired, easy-to-follow, calorie-burning, and dance-fitness party you do not want to miss. It fuses hypnotic Latin rhythms and easy to follow aerobic moves to create a one-of-a-kind fitness program that is energizing. This class is month – to month with no contracts needed, so sign up and start dancing your way to a healthier, more vibrant you!

LOVETT ROAD PARK

Monday + Wednesday / 6-7 p.m. / Ages: 16+

\$30 per month for two one-hour classes per week

JEFFERSON HIGHWAY PARK **NEW!**

Jan. 13-May 26 / Thursday / 7-8 p.m. / Ages: 18+

\$24 per month

To pre-register:  webtrac.brec.org



HOLIDAY CAMPS + EVENTS

 BREC.ORG/HOLIDAYCAMPS

Opportunities listed below are for all ages and no fees are associated unless otherwise noted. Please see the table of contents for more information if special accommodations are needed.

CAMPS

COMMUNITY RECREATION HOLIDAY CAMPS

BREC offers holiday camps, which are perfect for school vacations, filled with friends and fun activities. There will be two vacation camps this spring, including Mardi Gras and Spring Break, to follow school schedules (School Schedules to be followed are City of Baker, City of Central, East Baton Rouge Parish Schools and City of Zachary). These camps offer a fun-filled variety of holiday themed recreational curriculum to include arts and crafts, guest speakers, passive and active games, socialization with peers and much more. Must have 10 campers registered three weeks from start date. Pre-register online at webtrac.brec.org.

Winter Camp

LOVETT ROAD PARK

Jan. 3-7 / Monday-Friday / 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Grades: Kindergarten-6th grade / \$70

Mardi Gras Camp

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK + ANTIOCH BLVD. PARK + HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK + INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK + LOVETT ROAD PARK + ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK

Feb. 28-March 2 / 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Grades: Kindergarten-6th grade / \$56

Spring Break Camp

LOVETT ROAD PARK + ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK

April 18-22 / Monday-Friday / 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Grades: Kindergarten-6th grade / \$70

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK + ANTIOCH BLVD. PARK + HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK + INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK

April 12-14 + 18

Tuesday-Thursday + Monday / 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Grades: Kindergarten-6th grade / \$56

SPRING HOLIDAY ART CAMP

Campers will jump into the season by creating spring inspired art projects in an atmosphere of fun and encouragement. Media includes paint, clay, watercolor, pastels and mixed media.

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK

April 12-14 / 8 a.m.-5 p.m. / Ages: 7-10

Maximum of 30 participants

\$75 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$90 for out-of-parish residents

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

More info:  225-272-9200 EXT 1505

 robin.mcandrew@brec.org

NEW! SPRING CLAY CAMP

Getting muddy is a great way to spend the spring holiday. Join us in our new clay studio to learn hand building, wheel throwing and glazing. Participants will also create free form sculpture as well as create clay pieces that will become cherished memories of this FUN, NEW, UNIQUE camp!

DRUSILLA LANE PARK

April 12-14 / 8 a.m.- 5 p.m. / Ages: 9-12

Maximum of 12 participants

\$75 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$90 for out-of-parish residents

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

More info:  225-272-9200 EXT 1505

 robin.mcandrew@brec.org

NEW! BOOK CLUB CAMP

This book club is like no other! Join professional artist and children's book illustrator, Holly Stone-Barker, for three days of book making and storytelling. We will create unique books ready for illustrations and fantastical stories by binding, folding and using natural materials.

MILTON J. WOMACK PARK/DRUSILLA PARK

April 12-14 / 8 a.m.-noon / Ages: 8-12

Maximum of 12 participants

\$40 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents; \$48 for out-of-parish residents

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

More info:  225-272-9200 EXT 1505

 robin.mcandrew@brec.org

NEW! CREATIVE CHOICES TEEN CAMP

Like spoken word? Can you paint? Do you like movies? Are you creative? It doesn't matter—we got you! Join us for three days of cool and different ways to learn both visual and performing art techniques. This unique and creative art camp will allow participants to artistically express themselves in ways they never knew they could. Painting, writing, clay, monologues and spoken word are just a few of the offerings that will inspire participants to make their creative choice!

INDEPENDENCE PARK THEATRE EVENT CENTER

April 12-14 / 8 a.m.- 5 p.m. / Ages: 13-17

Free for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

Must pre-register.

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

More info:  225-272-9200 EXT 1505

 robin.mcandrew@brec.org

SPRING SPACE EXPLORATION CAMP

Campers review highlights of American space program via interactive demos and games. Each session has a theme, chemical rocket construction and science inquiry activities.

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY

April 12+13 / 8 a.m.- 5 p.m. / Ages: 9-13

\$55 East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$66 out-of-parish residents

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

BUSY BEE SPRING CAMP

Bring your child to Bluebonnet Swamp for three days of fun during the holiday break. They'll be treated to nature-based activities such as arts and crafts, live animal encounters, hikes, games, and a themed afternoon snack. Each day will be comprised of different activities, and campers will need to bring a bag lunch and drink each day. Activities in spring camp will focus on springtime topics such as baby animals, blooming plants, and bees. Due to separate holiday weeks for local schools, we will be offering two sessions of camp to accommodate all EBR residents. Registration opens March 1.

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

Session 1: April 12-14

Session 2: April 18-20

7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. / Ages: 6-12

\$75 for in-parish residents

\$90 for out-of-parish residents

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

 Bluebonnet Swamp Nature Center

More Info:  225-757-8905  sguidry@brec.org

SUMMER CAMP 2022!

BREC is proud to offer a variety of camps and activities to help keep your child engaged in a safe, fun way with timeless camp fun and exciting new adventures.

Registration begins online **March 5!**

 brec.org/summertime



NATURE EXPLORERS SPRING CAMP

Nature Explorers Camp is all about getting your child outside for a hands-on exploration of nature. Bring your camper to Palomino Drive Park for three days of fun during the Spring Break. Campers will explore the park, learn exciting facts, and enjoy the great outdoors. Our activities are designed to keep your camper engaged, learning, and having a blast throughout the entire camp. These will include themed outdoor games, fishing, crafts, and experiments. Each day will be comprised of different activities, and campers will need to bring a bag lunch, drink, and snack each day. Activities at Nature Explorers Spring Camp will focus on how Spring Has Sprung.

PALOMINO DRIVE PARK

April 18-20 / 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. / Ages: 7-12

\$75 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$90 for out-of-parish residents

More info: 📧 conservation@brec.org

📞 225-218-4979

FARR PARK SPRING BREAK HOLIDAY CAMP

Holiday riding camp will teach your child basic horsemanship, horse care, crafts, and enjoying the outdoors. All campers will be assigned their own horse.

FARR PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER

April 12-14 / 8 a.m.-noon / Late pick-up 12:30 p.m.

Ages: 8-12

\$135 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$162 for out-of-parish residents

Registration to open: Feb. 1

More info: 📧 frichards@brec.org 📞 225-769-7805

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

MAGNOLIA MOUND SPRING HOLIDAY CAMP

Campers will explore early 19th century history and make Spring-themed crafts. From touring the historic house to playing old fashioned games, campers will love learning about the past. The two days will end with campers cooking in the open-hearth kitchen and visiting the museum store.

MAGNOLIA MOUND

April 19 + 20 / 9 a.m.-4 p.m. / Ages: 7-12

Early drop-off 7:30 a.m. / Late pick-up 5:30 p.m.

\$50 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$60 for out-of-parish residents

Registration deadline: April 14

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-343-4955

More info: 📧 ashley.freeman@brec.org

BREC-XPEDITIONS

Calling all Junior Adventurers! Looking for a fun adventure for your kids to enjoy during their Spring Break? Look no further than our BREC-xpeditions. Our experienced staff will lead participants on paddling and hiking adventures. Exact field trip locations will be weather dependent.

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK

April 12 - Paddling Expedition

April 14 - Hiking Expedition

8 a.m.-5 p.m. / Ages: 10-14 / \$35-\$42 person per day

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

More info: 📧 outdooradventure@brec.org

MARDI GRAS YOUTH PICKLEBALL CLINIC

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Feb. 28 / 8:30-11:30 a.m. / Ages: 6-17

\$10 per person

Registration Deadline: Feb. 24

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

More info: 📞 225-209-8320

MARDI GRAS JUNIOR TENNIS CAMP

Full-day campers must bring their own lunch.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Feb. 28-March 4 / Monday-Friday / Ages: 4-17

Full Day: 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

\$45 per day or \$195 for entire week

Half Day: 9-11:30 a.m.

\$35 per day or \$155 for entire week

Registration Deadline: Feb. 25 / \$10 late fee

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-766-0247

MARDI GRAS JUNIOR TENNIS CAMP

Campers must bring their own lunch.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

Feb. 28-March 2 / Monday-Wednesday

8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. / Ages: 5-16 / \$130 per person

Registration Deadline: Feb. 25

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-923-2792

SUPER TUESDAY TENNIS CAMP

This one-day camp includes tennis instruction. Campers must bring their own lunch.

CAPITAL ONE TENNIS CENTER AT

CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK

March 1 / 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. / Ages: 5-16

\$50 per person

Registration Deadline: Feb. 25 / \$5 late fee

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-343-3767

SPRING HOLIDAY JUNIOR TENNIS CAMP

This three-day camp includes tennis instruction and a visit to the splash pad (campers should bring change of clothes). Campers must bring their own lunch.

CAPITAL ONE TENNIS CENTER AT

CITY-BROOKS COMMUNITY PARK

April 12-14 / Tuesday-Thursday / 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Ages: 5-16 / \$125 per person

Registration Deadline: April 8 / \$5 late fee

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 25-343-3767

SPRING HOLIDAY PICKLEBALL YOUTH CLINIC

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

April 18-22 / Monday + Wednesday + Friday

8:30-11:30 a.m. / Ages: 6-17

\$10 per person (one day per week)

\$18 per person (two days per week)

\$25 per person (all three days)

Registration Deadline: April 14

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

More info: 📞 225-209-8320



SPRING HOLIDAY JUNIOR TENNIS CAMP

Full-day campers must bring their own lunch.

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

April 18-22 / Monday-Friday / Ages: 4-17

Full day: 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

\$45 per day or \$195 for entire week

Half Day: 9-11:30 a.m.

\$35 per day or \$155 for entire week

Registration Deadline: April 15 / \$10 late fee

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-766-0247

SPRING HOLIDAY JUNIOR TENNIS CAMP

Campers must bring their own lunch.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK TENNIS CENTER

April 18-22

Monday-Thursday / 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Friday / 8:30-11:30 a.m.

Ages: 5-16 / \$150 per person

Registration Deadline: April 15

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org 📞 225-923-2792

SPRING ZOO CAMP

What could be more fun during spring break than hanging out with the animals? Zoo Camp includes guided walks through the Zoo and seasonally-themed games and crafts. Children will also have the opportunity to get up-close-and-personal with Zoo animals.

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

April 18-22 / 9 a.m.-4 p.m. / Ages: 6-12

\$130 per child for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$152 per child for out-of-parish residents

Early drop-off at 7:30 a.m. and late pick-up until 5:30 p.m. are available at no additional fee.

More info: 🌐 brzoo.org

EVENTS

CONTINUOUS EGG HUNT

We ran late and now the egg hunt started, we missed it. NOT TODAY. No child will be late for our hunt: The Continuous Egg Hunt will feature 2 hours of back-to-back hunts, and a children's village of other activities and games. For more information, email recreationevents@brec.org.

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK

March 19 / 3-5 p.m. / All ages

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK

March 26 / 3-5 p.m. / All ages

FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

April 9 / 3-5 p.m. / All ages

MARDI GRAS FUN RUN

Laissez Le Bon Temps Rouler (let the good times roll!) Come out and walk, roll, or run with BREC! Enjoy a festive morning of walking/running, getting dashed with your popular Mardi Gras colors dressed in your favorite Mardi Gras attire while celebrating one Louisiana's most popular cultural holidays, Mardi Gras. This event is free and open to all! Every 5k finisher will receive a completion prize at the end of the walk/run. After the run/walk enjoy some delicious refreshments from our food vendors while listening to jazz music and participate in other fun activities. Registration is needed for this event. All participants who register by March 1, 2022 will receive an official fun run T-shirt!

PERKINS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

March 5 / 10 a.m.-2 p.m. / All ages

To register: 🌐 brec.org/funrun

More info: 📧 recreationevents@brec.org

MOVIE IN THE GARDENS

Grab your lawn chair or blanket and meet us in the gardens. Come see your favorite movie with your family in our beautiful Botanical Gardens! There will be exciting Earth Day activities followed by the movie.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK

BOTANICAL GARDEN

April 22 / 1-5 p.m. / All ages

More info: 📧 recreationevents@brec.org



LEISURE EVENTS

 BREC.ORG/KIDSANDCOMMUNITY

Opportunities listed below are for all ages and no fees are associated unless otherwise noted. Please see the table of contents for more information if special accommodations are needed.

EVENTS

HOMESCHOOL DAY

Calling all Homeschoolers, calling all homeschoolers! Come spend your morning with the Recreation Department and learn more about us and what we offer throughout the parish while having some fun. Family based activities and presentations will take place every half hour.

NORTH SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

Feb. 24 / 9 a.m.-noon / All ages

More info:  recreationevents@brec.org

NEIGHBORHOOD MOVIE IN THE PARK

Grab your chairs, blankets, and a picnic to join BREC for a movie under the stars. Seating will start at 5:30 p.m. and the movie will begin after sunset. Watch for signs at the park and the BREC website and social media to find out which movies will be scheduled!

BARRINGER ROAD PARK - March 4

PLANK ROAD PARK - March 18

GUS YOUNG AVENUE PARK - March 25

SAIA PARK - April 8

MAPLEWOOD PARK - April 22

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK - April 22

SATURDAYS AT THE PAVILION

Come on over to the big pavilion by the playground and enjoy an interactive morning of play, music, dance, crafts, or story time. Dress for the weather. Look for information signs in the park and watch BREC's social media and website for updates about what's coming!

ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK

First Saturday of the month / Feb.-May / 9 a.m.-noon

Ages: 1+

SPRING ESPORTS TOURNAMENT SERIES

Do you have the skills, coordination and training to beat other gamers? Participants ages 10 and older are invited to join BREC for a series of eSports tournaments located in our eSports Lounge located at Red Oaks Park. Prizes will be provided to the winner of each tournament. Doors open at noon, tournaments begin at 12:30 p.m.

RED OAKS PARK

Feb. 19: **Super Smash Bros. Ultimate**

March 19: **NBA 2K22**

April 9: **Mario Kart 8**

May 21: **Rocket League**

Ages: 10+ / \$5 per tournament

To pre-register:  webtrac.brec.org

FAMILY GAME NIGHT

Want some family fun bonding time? Join us for family game night in February and March, every second and fourth Friday of the month to choose from a variety of activities, board games and teambuilding games. Grab your family members and friends to join us for a night of family fun.

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK

Feb. 11 + 25 + March 11 + 25 / Friday / 6-8 p.m.

All ages

PROGRAMS

AFTERSCHOOL ADVENTURES

Afterschool just got a little more adventurous! We will focus on fitness, health, STEAM activities and 21st Century Skills. Each week will feature an enrichment day to provide unique experiences for participants and includes activities such as field trips, guest speakers and special programming. We will work with local school districts to provide transportation to our Adventure locations. Monthly fees include daily after school programming, including early release days. In addition, care will be provided for teacher workdays and pre-determined holidays.

ANTIOCH BLVD. PARK + LOVETT ROAD PARK + ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK

Jan.-May / Monday-Friday / 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Ages: 6-12 / \$60 per month

To pre-register:  webtrac.brec.org

BEGINNERS SEWING CLASS

Have you always wanted to learn how to sew but don't know where to start? Look no further! Join us as we walk you through the basics. You will leave with an understanding of sewing fundamentals and the knowledge to tackle more sewing projects on your own.

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK

Jan. 12-May 25 / Wednesday / 5-6:30 p.m.

Ages: 16+

To register:  webtrac.brec.org

More info:  VSeVage@brec.org

BREC BEGINNINGS

BREC offers this program as an opportunity for children ages 3-4 to experience the power of play. The recreation-based curriculum focuses on peer socialization, creativity, interest exploration, and more. Staff will guide children through hands on arts & crafts projects, sing-along-songs, story time, physical activity, and more. We will follow the local school's holiday schedule.

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK + LOVETT ROAD PARK + ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK

Jan 31-May 27 / Monday-Thursday / 9 a.m.-noon

Ages: 3-4 / \$60 per month

To pre-register:  webtrac.brec.org

CAMP-IN'

Get inspired for camp fun through games, crafts and activities highlighting our favorite camp moments. This program is also offered for designated holidays and teacher workdays. Campers should bring a lunch and 2 snacks and be dressed for indoor and outdoor activities.

ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK - Jan. 3

LOVETT ROAD PARK + ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK

Jan. 17: **Games Galore**

LOVETT ROAD PARK

Feb. 5: **Let's Get Crafty!**

NORTH SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

March 5: **Bunk'd with BREC**

BAKER RECREATION CENTER

March 19: **Games Galore**

LOVETT ROAD PARK

March 21: **Spring into Fun**

LOVETT ROAD PARK

April 2: **Where the Wild Things Are**

LOVETT ROAD PARK + CHURCH STREET PARK

April 15: **Minute to Win It Mania**

NORTH SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

May 7: **The Amazing Adventure**

8 a.m.-5 p.m. / 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. out-of-school days

Ages: 6-12 / \$15

To pre-register:  webtrac.brec.org

DESIGN BY ME

Come have fun at our Cameo 101 Design by Me class. We will teach you how to personalize your own shirt, mug, cap and so much more. We will help you apply it to your item. Participants must bring with them their own laptop and items to personalize.

GUS YOUNG AVENUE PARK

Jan. 10-May 23 / Monday / 5-6:30 p.m. / Ages: 16+

To pre-register:  webtrac.brec.org

JUMPING GYMNASTICS

Participants will learn beginner to advance levels of gymnastic skills through a series of organized drills and strength programs. Students develop flexibility, strength, balance, coordination, and self-confidence through recreation.

LOVETT ROAD PARK

Tuesday

Beginner: 5:30-6:30 p.m. / \$22 per month

Intermediate: 6:30-7:30 p.m. / \$27 per month

Advanced: 7:30-8:30 p.m. / \$36 per month

To pre-register:  webtrac.brec.org

KIDS AT PLAY

School is out and it's time to get playing! Join us weekday afternoons for fun and engaging activities led by our playgroup staff. Participants will be provided a nutritional snack and opportunity for homework time.

ALSEN PARK + CADILLAC STREET PARK +
GUS YOUNG AVE. PARK + MILLS AVE. PARK
Jan. 4-May 27 / Monday-Friday / 3:30-5:30 p.m.
Ages: 5+

KIDS COVE

Who doesn't want to hang out on Tuesday and Thursday with us? Join us for video games, board games, music, karaoke and of course FUN!

ANNA T. JORDAN COMMUNITY PARK +
GUS YOUNG AVENUE PARK
Jan. 11-May 26 / Tuesday + Thursday / 5-6:30 p.m.
Ages: 12+
Registration required.

To register: ☎ 225-775-1707 or 225-926-5848
✉ VSelvage@brec.org

PUZZLED

Do you enjoy putting together puzzles? Working on word games? Solving Sudoku? Join us for weekly challenges and brain benders to keep your mind sharp! We will offer a variety of puzzles each week for fun and engaging problem solving.

LOVETT ROAD PARK
Thursday / Jan. 13-May 26 / 9-10 a.m. / All ages

RECTIME

Bring your kids out to enjoy some quality RecTime. BREC staff will guide participants through games, crafts and activities highlighting our monthly theme. Snacks will be provided.

LOVETT ROAD PARK
March 18: **Friday Night Lights**
May 20: **To Infinity and Beyond**

NORTH SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY PARK
Feb. 18: **SING! Showcase**
April 8: **Paws-itively Fun**

BAKER RECREATION CENTER
Feb. 11: **Friday Night Lights**
April 8: **To Infinity and Beyond**

ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK
March 11: **SING! Showcase**
May 13: **Paws-itively Fun**
5:30-8:30 p.m. / Ages: 6-12
\$5 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents
\$6 for out-of-parish residents
To pre-register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

THINK BEFORE YOU MOVE

SERIES 1: CHESS/CHECK MATE

Think before you move is to teach, reach and help others discover the power that comes from always thinking before you move. Series one teaches you the basics on how to play chess.

MAYFAIR PARK
Jan. 6-April 28 / Thursday / 4:30-5:30 p.m. / Ages: 5+
More info: 📧 Manasha.vick@brec.org



SCIENCE + NATURE

 BREC.ORG/SCIENCEANDNATURE

Opportunities listed below are for all ages and no fees are associated unless otherwise noted. Please see the table of contents for more information if special accommodations are needed.

EVENTS

I HEART MY ZOO DAY

Join the Zoo for a Valentine extravaganza! This action-packed day includes Safari Amphitheater programs featuring the sometimes-strange and amazing "birds and the bees" facts as they apply to our affectionate animals. Make a valentine for your favorite person or animal! Regular Zoo admission applies.

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

Feb. 12 / 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

More info:  brzoo.org

GEAUX FISH CATFISH RODEO

Grab your fishing pole and head out with the family to GEAUX Fish! Our Geaux Fish Rodeos are a great opportunity to introduce new anglers to the sport of fishing or for the old veteran to test their skills. We will be stocking the pond with adult channel catfish to ensure you have plenty to catch and prizes galore. Don't miss this chance to bring home channel catfish for dinner and spend the day outside with the family. This event is weather dependent. Early registration is encouraged to guarantee a spot.

HOWELL COMMUNITY PARK

March 5 / 7:30 a.m.-noon

More info:  conservation@brec.org

 225-218-4979

THE EDGE OF NIGHT - WINTER

Which stars are seen first? Are Mercury and Venus or the Moon out? Is that moving object a plane, a satellite or space debris? There is no other time like twilight. Bring it into your life!

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY

March 11 / 5:30-7:30 p.m.

More info:  observatory@brec.org

BACK TO NATURE PHOTO CONTEST

Get out into our parks for our annual Back to Nature Photo Contest! Either gradually or sudden, natural habitats are constantly changing and reconstructing. The theme for the 2022 photo contest is Nature Renewal, visualizing the regeneration and recovering of BREC's natural spaces in response to these changes.

Submission deadline: March 15

More info:  brec.org/photocontest

 conservation@brec.org  225-218-4979

MEMBERS' NIGHT

A special night honoring our Friends of the Zoo members with special activities. Free for all members.

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

March 18 / 4-6:30 p.m. / Grounds close 7p.m.

More info:  brzoo.org

SPRING GREEN AT THE ZOO

Celebrate "being green!" Learn what you can do to help wild animals and wild places at special amphitheater programs. A "green" themed scavenger hunt will be on hand as well.

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

March 12 / 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

More info:  brzoo.org

ROCKIN' AT THE SWAMP

Join us to explore the exciting world of rocks, minerals, gemstones, and fossils. Add to your rock collection or find some unique gift items at our Rockhound Market. Try your skill scaling our rock climbing wall. Learn to identify different rocks and minerals and make your own take-home identification card on our Treasure Trail. Experience the excitement of the gold rush while hunting for iron pyrite in our Gold Mine. Try out some rockin' crafts or paint your own Rock Animal in our craft corner. Explore ancient life forms in the Fossil Quarry. This is one rockin' day of fun highlighting geology and earth science.

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

March 12 / 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

\$5 for adults / \$4 for children ages 3-17

Free for children ages 2 and younger

Pass discounts available

Registration is not required

More info:  225-757-8905  sguidry@brec.org

DOG DAY AT THE SWAMP

With our Dog Days, BSNC drops its "No Pets" policy and opens its doors and trails to pets 4 days out of the year! All pets are welcome, but they must be on a leash and have their vaccinations current.

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

March 19 / 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

General admission fees apply

Registration is not required

More info:  225-757-8905  sguidry@brec.org

ZIPPITY ZOO FEST

BREC's Baton Rouge Zoo will hold its annual spring festival, Zippity Zoo Fest. Come celebrate the Zoo's 52nd Birthday this year!!! We'll have a Children's Village, education stations, food court, and animal encounters. Regular Zoo admission applies.

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

April 2-3 / 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

More info: 📞 brzoo.org

PARTY FOR THE PLANET

What better way to celebrate our Earth than honoring the magnificent creatures that inhabit our planet? This is the largest combined Earth Day celebration in North America!

The Baton Rouge Zoo's festivities include earth-friendly activities including Safari amphitheater programs, animal encounters and educational family fun. Regular Zoo admission applies.

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

April 16 / 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

More info: 📞 brzoo.org

BIOBLITZ 2022

Grab your field guides and boots and join BREC naturalists and local scientists as we explore and document the diversity of life, or "biodiversity", of Forest Community Park. You can participate by attending a scheduled hike, helping to document species with local scientists, or signing up for a workshop where we will host special activities to learn through hands on sampling, live animal encounters, and more! For more information and to register for hikes and workshops, please go to brec.org/bioblitz.

FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

April 8 + 9

More info: 📞 conservation@brec.org

📞 225-218-4979

INTERNATIONAL ASTRONOMY DAY

The largest and best IAD celebration within a day's driving distance of Baton Rouge. Music, games, food, demonstrations, rides, exhibitors, viewing.

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY

May 7 / 3-11 p.m.

More info: 📞 observatory@brec.org

LUNAR ECLIPSE

Overnight excitement as the Moon enters the Earth's shadow, dimming and taking on a hue that can range from orange to brown to brick red.

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY

May 18 / 7:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m.

More info: 📞 observatory@brec.org

WILD WINE WALK

Guests (21+) are invited to stroll through the zoo for an early evening of wine tasting, food sampling, live music & much more. The VIP experience will include an hour early access to the event & a commemorative wine tumbler. This event promises to be a WILDLY good time!

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

May 20

5-7:30 p.m. General Admission / 4 p.m. VIP

More info: 📞 brzoo.org

SWAMP BIRTHDAY

Everyone is invited to join us for our birthday bash - 25 years of connecting people to nature! To celebrate this milestone, we are inviting bakers of all skill levels to participate in a birthday bake-off. Sweet treats of all shapes and styles with a nature inspired theme will be judged on appearance and taste. We'll drop our admission fees for the day and offer our guests live animal encounters, crafts, games, and birthday cake - while it lasts!

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

May 21 / 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Free Admission

Registration for bake-off is required

More info: 📞 225-757-8905 📧 sguidry@brec.org



PROGRAMS

SAFARI NIGHTS

Monkeys chatter, birds call, and tigers roar as your Safari Guide leads your group on walking tours of different parts of the Zoo. You'll learn all about the Zoo's animals through hands-on activities and animal encounters during your overnight stay. All participants receive a Safari Night t-shirt and all-day Zoo admission immediately following your Safari Night. Dinner and continental breakfast included.

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

Every Friday and Saturday, year-round
6:30 p.m.-9:30 a.m. / Ages: 5+
\$30 per person (min. 15 people; max. 30 people)
A \$150 non-refundable deposit is required to secure your date. The Zoo accepts Visa and MasterCard.

To register: 📞 225-775-3877 option 5

More info: 🌐 brzoo.org

EARLY BIRD EXTENDED HOURS

Join us for extended morning hours on the first Saturday of every month to check out the feathered friends that call Bluebonnet Swamp home. Due to current protocols, a guide is not provided for this program, but you are welcome to come enjoy the trails on your own before our normal operating hours begin.

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

Saturday
Jan. 8 + Feb. 5 + March 5 + April 2 + May 7 / 7-9 a.m.
General admission fees apply / Pass holders are free
Registration not required
More info: 📞 225-757-8905 📧 sguidry@brec.org

ZOO & ME MORNINGS

Held the second Tuesday of the month, Zoo staff designed this program for children, ages 3-5, accompanied by a parent or guardian. Programs incorporate many exciting activities including a train ride, animal encounters, art projects and "zooper" snacks that adults and children can enjoy together. Space is limited and preregistration is required.

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

Jan. 11: **Warm and Fuzzy**
Feb. 8: **Lovely Little Lizards**
March 8: **The Wearing of the Green**
April 12: **Flamingo Fandango**
May 10: **What's Bugging You?**

9:30-11:30 a.m. / Ages: 3-5
\$18 per child with one parent or guardian or
\$30 for two children with one parent or guardian
To register: 📞 225-775-3877 option 5
More info: 🌐 brzoo.org

NATURE PIONEERS

Bring your curious kids and join Conservation staff to start them down the path of nature exploration. Your Nature Pioneer can come explore with us at Palomino Drive Park and enjoy short hikes, games, storytelling, and arts and crafts! Each program will explore a different theme through indoor and outdoor investigation and exploration. Children must be registered and accompanied by an adult.

PALOMINO DRIVE PARK

Feb. 5 + April 2 / 9:30-11:30 a.m. / Ages 3-12 / \$10
To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org (WebTrac #: 520212)
More info: 📧 conservation@brec.org
📞 225-218-4979

SWAMP FLASHLIGHT NIGHT

We welcome you to enjoy the Swamp at night by visiting us during our Swamp Flashlight Night! Staff will be facilitating live animal encounters throughout the event. Enjoy a leisurely night hike with your family and friends. The swamp trails can be really dark at night – so don't forget to bring a flashlight. If you don't have one, check out our gift shop for some options. Close-toed shoes and insect repellent are recommended. Please note that admission to the trails ends at 8:15 p.m.

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

Feb. 11 + May 13 / 5-9 p.m.
General admission fees apply / Pass holders are free
Registration is not required
More info: 📞 225-757-8905 📧 sguidry@brec.org

CONSERVATION WOODS WALK SERIES

Satisfy your curiosity about the trees you see at BREC Parks and your wonder about the animals that call BREC Conservation Areas home. Join a BREC Naturalist for on the Woods Walk Series and pick their brain about a broad range of topics. Each hike in the series will dive into different topics connected to these unique sites in East Baton Rouge Parish. Come to one or multiple hikes in the series to indulge in the great outdoors. Preregistration is required and all children must be accompanied by an adult.

KENDALWOOD ROAD PARK - February 12

FRENCHTOWN ROAD CONSERVATION PARK
March 12

HOOPER ROAD PARK - May 7

9:30-11:30 a.m. / Ages: 8+ / \$5
To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org (WebTrac #: 520210)
More info: 📧 conservation@brec.org
📞 225-218-4979

SWAMP SCHOOL

Picking up where Trail Time for Toddlers leaves off, Swamp School continues nature-based education for kids ages 6-10. With more of a focus on science content, we will explore the outdoors, do arts and crafts, meet interesting animals and have healthy snacks. This is a perfect opportunity for homeschool parents to supplement their science education curricula in a natural setting. The program is held in two sessions this semester and themes change each class. Registration for each session begins on the 1st of the month prior.

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

Tuesday / 2-4 p.m.

Ages: 6-10 (with accompanying adult)

Session 1: March 1-29

\$50 (5 classes) per child for EBR Parish residents

\$60 (5 classes) per child for out-of-parish residents

Session 2: April 26-May 10

\$30 (3 classes) per child for EBR Parish residents

\$36 (3 classes) per child for out-of-parish residents

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

📍 Bluebonnet Swamp Nature Center

More info: 📞 225-757-8905 📧 sguidry@brec.org

TRAIL TIME FOR TODDLERS

Trail Time for Toddlers is a unique opportunity for children, ages 2-5, and their parents/guardians to make new friends while learning about nature through trail walks and themed indoor and outdoor activities. Come enjoy the sights and sounds of the swamp, arts and crafts, storytelling, animal encounters, and healthy snacks. Themes change from week to week, and none are repeated within a calendar year. Participants sign up for a session at a time (3-5 weekly classes) and can choose to attend the Wednesday or Thursday session. Special weekend sessions may be scheduled to accommodate working parents; contact staff for more information. Registration for each month begins on the 1st of the month prior.

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

Wednesday or Thursday / 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Ages: 2-5 (with accompanying adult)

Session 1: March 2-31

\$50 (5 classes) per child for EBR Parish residents

\$60 (5 classes) per child for out-of-parish residents

Session 2: April 27-May 12

\$30 (3 classes) per child for EBR Parish residents

\$36 (3 classes) per child for out-of-parish residents

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

📍 Bluebonnet Swamp Nature Center

More info: 📞 225-757-8905 📧 sguidry@brec.org

TRAIL TIME TRANSLATED

Trail Time Translated incorporates all the fun of our Trail Time for Toddlers class along with a translator to help all of our visitors enjoy this program. We offer classes in Mandarin, Spanish and ASL – one for each language in both the spring and the fall. Registration for each program begins on the 1st of the month prior. March's class will be in Mandarin, April's class will be in Spanish, and May's class will be in ASL.

BLUEBONNET SWAMP NATURE CENTER

March 5 - **Mandarin**

April 9 - **Spanish**

May 7 - **ASL**

9:30-11:30 a.m. / Ages: 2-5 (with accompanying adult)

\$10 per child for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$12 per child for out-of-parish residents

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

📍 Bluebonnet Swamp Nature Center

More info: 📞 225-757-8905 📧 sguidry@brec.org

REVIVE YOUR MIND NATURE HIKE

Forest bathing, Nature Rx, Ecotherapy...it's been called many things, but the message is the same, NATURE is good for you! If life has you spinning and you feel out of balance this is the hike for you. We will be using time in nature to slow down and take a breakthrough mindful, purposeful observation. We will be hiking off the beaten path at one of BREC's Conservation Areas using the outdoors as a window to relaxation and a free mind. Join us to get a well-deserved dose of nature at its finest. This program is geared towards adults, but people 13 and older are welcome to attend with their parent.

FRENCHTOWN ROAD CONSERVATION AREA

March 26 / 9:30-11:30 a.m. / Ages: 13+ / \$5

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org (WebTrac #: 520210)

More info: 📧 conservation@brec.org

📞 225-218-4979

URBAN NATURE HIKE SERIES

Interested in exploring the nature oasis next door or looking to take your neighborhood walks to the next level? Our Urban Hike series is a great start! Geared toward nature novices of all ages, participants will enjoy a leisurely walk through a BREC park while learning some fun facts about the park's natural areas and the fundamentals of adventuring in the great outdoors. Preregistration is requested for all attendees and all children must be accompanied by an adult.

PERKINS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK - April 26

HIGHLAND ROAD COMMUNITY PARK - May 10

5:45-7:15 p.m. / Ages: 6+

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org (WebTrac #: 520210)

More info: 📧 conservation@brec.org

📞 225-218-4979



NATURE NIGHT HIKE AND CAMPFIRE

Join us on a Friday night for a great way to say hello to summer! The program will include a night hike learning about local ecology and nocturnal animals and will include activities and games. Come enjoy this great way to get the family out after the daytime heat. Preregistration is required and spaces are limited. Children must be registered and accompanied by a registered adult.

FOREST COMMUNITY PARK - April 29

ZACHARY COMMUNITY PARK - May 13

7-9 p.m. / Ages: 6 + / \$5

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org (WebTrac #: 520210)

More info: 📧 conservation@brec.org

☎ 225-218-4979

ASTRONOMY

SCIENCE ACADEMY

Cadets are brought into the wonderful world of astronomy and give an exciting chance to explore gravity, simple machines, stars, spacecraft, meteors, the Earth-Moon system, asteroids and comets, and the electromagnetic spectrum.

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY

Jan. 8 + 15 + 22 / Feb. 5 + 12 + 26

March 5 + 12 + 26 / April 9 + 16 + 23 / May 14 + 21

Saturday / 10 a.m.-noon / Ages: 8-12

\$5 East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$6 out-of-parish residents

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

FRIDAY NIGHT LECTURE SERIES

For almost twenty-five years this program has given patrons histories and possible futures. Skygazing tips, physics phenomena, space programs and famous events are covered.

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY

Friday / No lecture on March 11 or May 6

7:30-8:30 p.m. / Ages: 14+

More info: 🌐 hrpo.lsu.edu

ADULT ASTRONOMY COURSES

Get the most out of your investment or gift. Seasoned skygazers teach you how to focus, magnify and gauge transparency to unlock wondrous views of the Heavens.

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY

Jan 8: **Learn Your Binoculars**

Jan. 22: **Learn Your Sky**

Feb. 5: **Learn your Telescope**

3:30-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 18+

\$15 for East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$18 out-of-parish residents

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

PLUS NIGHT

Get something extra beyond standard viewing: sky tours, physical science demos, "birth" stars and a marshmallow roast. Each Plus Night has a unique theme.

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY

Jan. 15 + Feb. 12 + March 12 / 7-10 p.m.

SOLAR VIEWING

HRPO staff shows the Sun via projection, filtered optical light and hydrogen-alpha. Patrons will see any sizable sunspots or flares.

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY

Jan. 15 + Feb. 26 + March 19 / noon-2 p.m.

STEM EXPANSION

Advanced demonstrations and topic extensions for an older crowd. Archived experiments (some not seen in over fifteen years) join with timely, cutting-edge demos and concepts. Certificates earned.

HIGHLAND ROAD PARK OBSERVATORY

Jan. 29 + Feb. 19 + March 19 + April 30 + May 28

3:30-7:30 p.m. / Ages: 12-16

\$15 East Baton Rouge Parish residents

\$18 out-of-parish residents.

To register: 🌐 webtrac.brec.org

TEENS

 [BREC.ORG/TEENS](https://brec.org/teens)

Opportunities listed below are for all ages and no fees are associated unless otherwise noted. Please see the table of contents for more information if special accommodations are needed.

BREC offers a variety of safe leisure and recreational opportunities for all teens, ages 11-17 in East Baton Rouge Parish.

More info:  blaine.imhoff@brec.org

EVENTS

GEAUX RED GALA

Our Geaux Red Gala will be a fun evening complete with dining, music and dancing! Come dressed in your best red, pink, or purple attire and to win a prize for Best Dressed. Join us as we celebrate our friendship and have fun!

JEFFERSON HIGHWAY PARK

Feb. 5 / 7-10 p.m.

High School Students Only (must have student ID)
\$5 per person

To register:  webtrac.brec.org, beginning Jan. 4

POP-UP + UNPLUG

Would you like your teen to take a break from their phone, tablet and airpods? This event is for them! During Pop-Up & Unplug, our teens will get a chance to decompress and engage in fun physical activities with BREC on The Geaux, Our Lady of the Lake Health Centers in schools and ICARE. Activities include Fitness Bingo, Ninja Course, musical activities, and more! Pre-registration is free, but you must register to secure your spot!

ZACAHARY COMMUNITY PARK - Jan. 8

INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITY PARK - Feb. 12

FOREST COMMUNITY PARK - March 12

11 a.m.-1 p.m. / Ages: 11-17

To register:  brec.org/teenunplug

More info:  ciara.lindon@brec.org

PROGRAMS

TOTAL TEEN KICKBACK

Calling all teens in East Baton Rouge, we are bringing back our Afterschool Total Teen Kickback. We will offer a variety of recreational activities during our time together on Thursday afternoons, including games, sharing music and learning some cooking skills in the kitchen! Space is limited to please sign up today!

NORTH SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY PARK

Jan.13-May 12 / Thursday / 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Ages: 11-15

To register:  brec.org/totalteenkickback

TEEN VIDEO GAME NIGHT

Are you a gamer? If so, this is the program for you! Teens will compete in a series of tournament-style video games. These games will include, but are not limited to, Madden NFL, NBA 2K, Rocket League, Mario Kart, Smash Brothers, Minecraft, etc.

RED OAKS PARK

Jan. 11-May 10 / Tuesday / 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Ages: 10-17

To register:  brec.org/videogamenight





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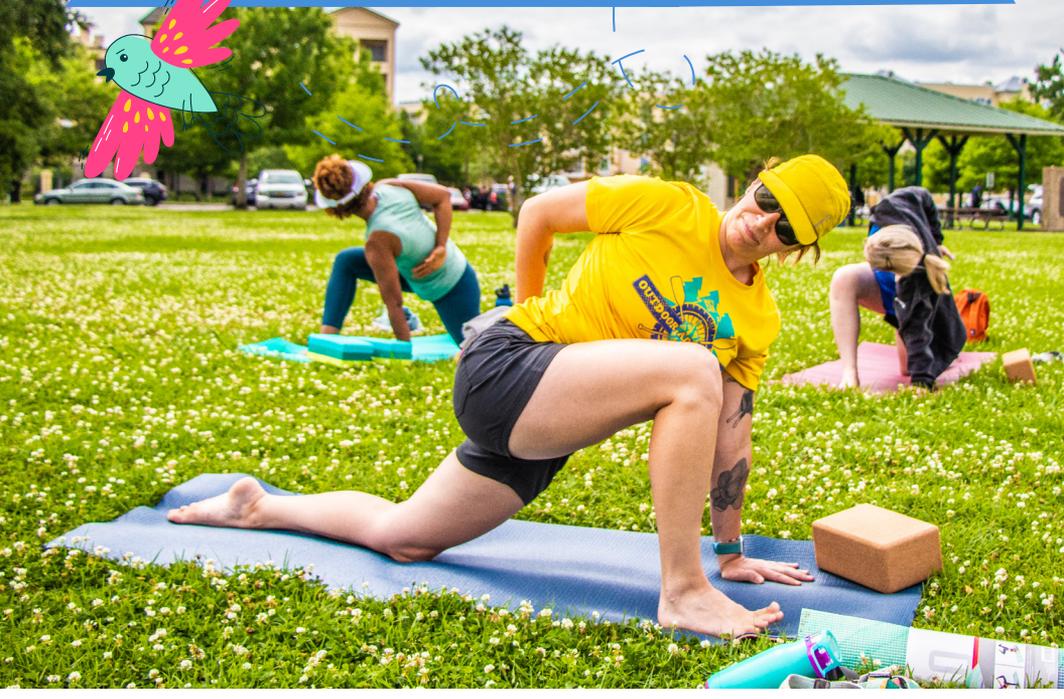
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