

April
2024

KIDS KRAZE

Programs and activities
offered by



CITY OF
BLOOMINGTON
PARKS AND RECREATION



For more information, contact the Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department at 812-349-3700 or visit us at bloomington.in.gov/parks.



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Inclusive approach to recreation: All City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation programs are inclusive to people with and without disabilities. Please contact our Inclusive Recreation Coordinator for more details: Amy Shrake, CTRS, 812-349-3747 or shrakea@bloomington.in.gov.



Youth scholarships available from the Bloomington Parks Foundation!

For more information about how to apply for a scholarship for any Parks and Recreation program, contact the Bloomington Parks and Recreation office at 812-349-3700.

Apply online at bloomington.in.gov/parks/scholarships.

Applications must be received two weeks prior to the registration deadline.



**KID
CITY**
SUMMER CAMPS



Engaging, active summer
daycamps for kids in grades K-7.
Weekly camps held
Monday-Friday, May 28-Aug. 2.

Visit bloomington.in.gov/kidcity to register.



First Tee of Bloomington Golf Camp
Monday-Friday, June 3-July 26
One-week, half-day sessions • For ages 6-12 yrs.

Register online at
bloomington.in.gov/recreation/camps



Summer Basketball Camp

Camp Dates: July 16-19

For grades K-8.

Twin Lakes Recreation Center,
1700 W. Bloomfield Rd.

Register online at
bloomington.in.gov/recreation/camps

Youth Sailing Camp

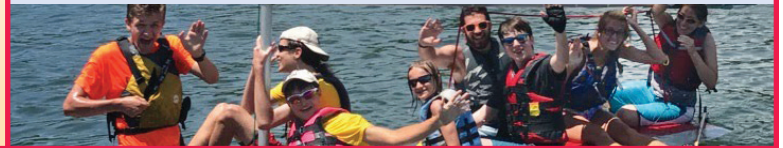
Monday-Friday, May 27-Aug. 2

One-week sessions • For ages 9-16 yrs.

Lake Monroe Sailing Association, 7600 S. Shields Ridge Rd.

For sailing details, call LMSA at 812-824-4611.

Visit bloomington.in.gov/recreation/camps to register.



**KID
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SUMMER CAMPS

Camp registration now open!

Campers explore the world around them with field trips and special events. Daily programs give campers the chance to try specialized activities in the areas of nature and the outdoors, sports and games, and arts and media. We give every child a summer to remember.

Hours:

7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

For grades K-7.

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SESSION	DATES	REGISTRATION FEE in-city/non-city	REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT DUE BY 5 p.m.
A	May 28-31 <i>No camp May 27.</i>	\$148/\$152	5/20
B	June 3-7	\$185/\$190	5/28
C	June 10-14	\$185/\$190	6/3
D	June 17-21 <i>No camp June 19.</i>	\$148/\$152	6/10
E	June 24-28	\$185/\$190	6/17
F	July 1-3 <i>No camp July 4 or 5.</i>	\$111/\$114	6/24
G	July 8-12	\$185/\$190	7/1
H	July 15-19	\$185/\$190	7/8
I	July 22-26	\$185/\$190	7/15
J	July 29-Aug. 2	\$185/\$190	7/22
K	July 18 <i>All Camp Parent Night Out</i>	\$35/\$40	7/15
K	July 25-26 <i>Overnight</i>	\$50/\$55	7/22

Celestial Spectacle: Solar Eclipse

Switchyard Park and Cascades Golf Course

Saturday, April 6

- ☀ 4–6 p.m. • Hoosier Country live broadcast
- ☀ 6 p.m. • Karaoke with Brad Lake
- ☀ 6 p.m. • Crafts, games, and activities
- ☀ 6–10 p.m. • Food trucks
- ☀ 8:45 p.m. • Movie in the Park-
Hidden Figures (2016) • PG • 2h 7m

Sunday, April 7

- ☀ 2–5 p.m. • Crafts, games, and activities
- ☀ 3 p.m. • Bloomington Symphony Orchestra



**\$10/
person**

Sunday, April 7 • 7:30–9:30 p.m.
Cascades Golf Course,
3550 N. Kinser Pike
No registration required!

Monday, April 8

- ☀ 10 a.m. • Hoosier Country live broadcast
- ☀ 10 a.m. • Crafts, games, and activities
- ☀ 11 a.m.–6 p.m. • Food trucks
- ☀ Noon • Live music by Moon Buggy
- ☀ 2–4:30 p.m. • Pink Floyd's "Dark Side of the Moon" by Comfortably Phree

Bike to Earth Day

**2nd
Annual**

The City of Bloomington's Economic and Sustainable Development Department and Parks and Recreation Department are teaming up to host the second annual Bike to Earth Day at Switchyard Park. The day will be filled with fun activities for the whole family, including face painting, arts and crafts, food trucks, live entertainment, and tree seedling giveaways!

Sa 4/20 • 1–5 p.m.
FREE • For all ages.
Switchyard Park



Nature Sounds

Owls

Musical guest: Stephanie Heidemann

Friday, April 26 • 6:30–7:30 p.m.
Rogers Family Park, meet at the barn

According to Google many people wonder "What sound does the owl make?", "What does hearing an owl hoot mean spiritually?", and "Do owls honk or hoot?". Find out the answers to common questions while listening to the world music vocal stylings of soprano Stephanie Heidemann.

FREE • Bring your own seating.

For more information, contact Crystal Ritter at 349-3725 or ritter@bloomington.in.gov.

For weather-related updates, call the Community Events Hotline at 349-3754.

Nature and the Outdoors



Price is per person. Children under age 12 yrs. must be accompanied by a registered adult. Activities may be both inside and outside, so please dress for the weather.

Beneficial Insect Hotels

Bees, ladybugs, spiders, and other insects are beneficial to your garden and the local ecosystem. Ladybugs can eat 50 aphids a day, and bees are our most prolific pollinators! Help the little critters by building an insect hotel to take home. We'll provide the frame and materials, and you put the hotel together (and decide how much to charge per night!). Instructor: Jake Wood
Th 4/11 • 6–8 p.m. • Register by 3/29 • 140016-A
\$10/in-city, \$12/noncity • For all ages.
Winslow Woods Park (Meet at the Shelter)

Creek Critters

Nature comes awake as the temperatures rise, and we return to the streams that have been frozen all winter. Creek critters can indicate the overall health of our local waterways, and we'll show you how! Be prepared to get your hands wet as we take an up-close look at what's living in our waterways.

Instructor: Emily Gardner

Sa 4/13 • 1–2:30 p.m. • Register by 4/9 • 140007-A
\$5/in-city, \$6/noncity • For all ages.
Leonard Springs Nature Park (Meet in parking lot)

Birdwatching for Beginners

Birdwatching is a low-cost, relaxing, and fun way to get into the outdoors. We will go on a hike and make several stops to look and listen for local bird life. Binoculars and field guides are provided. Wear comfortable walking shoes, dress for the weather, and bring drinking water.

Instructor: Zach Ryan

Sa 4/13 • 7:30–9:30 a.m. • Register by 4/9 • 140011-A
\$5/in-city, \$6/noncity • For all ages.
Griffy Lake Nature Preserve (Meet at boathouse)

Frog Songs

Did you know that there are frogs that chirp? Others can whistle, croak, ribbit, peep, cluck, bark and grunt. Spring is a great time to appreciate the chorus of frog sounds. Be prepared for a short hike on the Griffy Wetland Trail. Instructor: Brandon Olson

Sa 4/27 • 6:30–8 p.m. • Register by 4/23 • 140005-A
\$5/in-city, \$6/noncity • For all ages.
Griffy Lake Nature Preserve (Meet at boathouse)

You Too Can Canoe!

Learning the basics of controlling a canoe during this sunset paddle. This course teaches the basics of canoe paddling and water navigation and is intended for novices with little to no experience. We'll cover basic paddle strokes for stopping and turning, and how to work WITH your canoe partner before we test the waters! Canoe, life jacket, and paddle are included.

Instructor: Zach Ryan

Sa 4/27 • 7–9 p.m. • Register by 4/24 • 140009-A
\$10/in-city, \$12/noncity • For all ages.
Griffy Lake Nature Preserve (Meet at boathouse)

**children's
expo**



Saturday, April 27 • 1–4 p.m.

Switchyard Park, Pavilion

Visit the annual Children's Expo to find Bloomington's best resources, services and programs just for children and families! The Expo features dozens of exhibitor booths, active fun for elementary school-age children and more!



For more information contact Tara Brooke at tara.brooke@bloomington.in.gov or Amy Shrake at shrakea@bloomington.in.gov.