

**Oakland Parks, Recreation and Youth Development
Weekly Informational Report
Week of August 9 – August 13, 2021**

TOWN CAMP (SUMMER 2021)

We are excited to share a recap of OPRYD’s 2021 Summer Town Camp experience. We have closed out the summer with eight full themed weeks complete with the most exciting activities planned by our Program Planning Committee.

This summer’s goals were to provide a safe environment for participants and staff while offering outdoor activities where campers could be active and build on their social and emotional wellness skills, and create opportunities for literacy.

The summer themed highlights were:

- Week 1 – Splash Into Summer
- Week 2 – STEAM (Ocean Marines Discovery)
- Week 3 – Town Adventures
- Week 4 – World Explorers
- Week 5 – All Star Sports & Fitness
- Week 6 – Town Expressions (Art & Movement)
- Week 7 – STEAM (Space Explorers)
- Week 8 – Carnival

OPRYD served a total of 1,082 participants between the ages of 5-12 in Neighborhood Town Camp.

- Session I total campers – 520
- Session II campers - 562
- Total of non-duplicated participants was 519

We would like to recognize this year’s NTC sponsors and partners who helped us to enhance our summer program offerings to Oakland youth.

Partner	Contribution
Carnival Sponsors (Foundation)	\$21K for carnival supplies & equipment; waterslide jumpers, bouncy houses, snow cone, popcorn & cotton candy machines, tug of war rope, field games, bumper bellies, potato sacs and prizes
Comcast	Backpacks with school supplies to all NTC participants.
Eat. Learn. Play.	Cherry Juice, \$100K scholarship funds, camper shirts, funds for OLC books,

Junior Center for Arts & Science	Curriculum for STEAM week
Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory	Curriculum, live activities and readings with scientist (STEAM week)
Oakland Athletics	\$10K, Oakland A's vouchers (500), virtual read aloud by A's player, baseball drills, 450 KD socks
Oakland Lacrosse	Curriculum, support coaches, borrowed equipment, train the trainer workshop, staff support
Oakland Literacy Coalition	New books for each participant
Oakland Public Library	583 new books for Rec Centers
Oakland Soccer Clubs; Oakland Roots, Oakland Genesis, East Bay United	1 set of soccer goals, soccer balls, 1 set of cones, puma bag, 1 jersey for each rec site (19), curriculum, train the trainer workshop, staff support
Oakland Symphony	Curriculum, live performances with musician at each site (19)
Reading Partners	2700 new books for participants

Town After School Program (TAP) is set to begin virtually on Monday August 16, 2021. OPRYD will be offering afterschool enrichment activities from 4:00-6:00pm Mondays – Thursdays, and 4:00-7:00pm on Fridays. OPRYD is postponing the start date of in person TAP, out of an abundance of caution for participants and staff until Monday August 30, 2021

We are pleased to announce that during the postponement, OPRYD will provide FREE weekday afterschool virtual programming. Get ready for fun and engaging activities to include movement, art, science, homework hotline, fitness Fridays, and cooking.

Now accepting registration now for a limited number of spaces. Financial Assistance is available. [More info here](#)

YOUTH SPORTS

Basketball: Oakland Neighborhood Basketball League (ONBL) was successful. Teams competed to win. For some, 2021 was the first league teams participated in since COVID. Youth were able to show off their talents and skills. Playoffs and finals were scheduled August 2-5 at four locations including, Tassafaronga, Ira Jinkins, Oakland Technical High School and Oakland

High School. We served approximately 275+ participants in multiple groups. For more information contact Frederick Morris III, Sports coordinator at FMorris@oaklandca.gov.

Ace Kids Golf:

Ace Kids Golf is the premier east bay golf program. We are excited to share that we just completed 4 successful 2-week full day summer camps for 120 Oakland youth ages 8-17. We would like to recognize 9-year-old Amaru for getting a hole in one this summer on the Lake Chabot Executive Course Hole #5. The hole was 87 yards. He hit a 9 iron on the green and it rolled into the hole! It was his first hole in one and it will be a memorable one.

We are proud to announce Ace Kids Golf has received multiple grants to fund program operations and scholarships in the amount of \$45k from Quest Foundation and Eat Learn Play. We have also received donations of \$35k to construct a structure to house our new state of the art indoor golf simulator. We look forward to sharing more details soon.

Davie Tennis Stadium: Junior Tennis Camp summer sessions was a BIG HIT. Participants and parents were happy to see their kids happy to be able to learn the fundamentals of tennis and to be outdoors. For more information contact Marc Weinstein, Center director at mweinstein2@oaklandca.gov or (510) 444-5663. More information on Davie Stadium including adult programs can be found at <http://oaklandtennis.org/index.php/about-davie/ip>

- Enrollment full for the fall session. If you would like to be placed on the waiting list register at www.cityofoakland.perfectmind.com.

ADULT SPORTS

Adult softball league started June 21st. Register at www.cityofoakland.perfectmind.com. For more information contact Frederick Morris III, Sports Coordinator at FMorris@oaklandca.gov.

- OPRYD Adult softball league is in its eighth week at four locations including, Owen Jones Field, Curt Flood Field, Franklin Park and Allendale Park. The league consists of men, women and coed. We have approximately 45 teams participating.

AQUATICS

OPRYD Aquatics is committed to providing pool access citywide following our return from Shelter-In-Place and color-coded tier systems (purple, red, orange, yellow, etc.).

The Covid-19 pandemic had a negative impact on the availability of OPRYD certified aquatics staff. OPRYD Aquatics is continuing to offer Lifeguard Certification courses, [visit us online by clicking here](#) and [Click here to apply for open Aquatics Positions](#) For questions or concerns please email OPRAquatics@oaklandca.gov

As we add additional certified lifeguards, program hours, days, and times are subject to change and/or expand.

Lions Pool: Lions Pool's Summer program including: public recreation swim, youth swim lessons, and swim ended on Friday August 6, 2021.

The Lions Fall Outdoor Pool Schedule is as follows:

- 11:00am – 2:30pm (Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri)
- 6:00pm – 8:00pm (Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri)
- 11:00am – 2:30pm (Sat)

Temescal Pool: Temescal Pool’s Summer program including: public recreation swim, youth swim lessons, and swim ended on Friday August 6, 2021.

The Temescal Fall Outdoor Pool Lap Swim Schedule is as follows:

- 12:30pm – 2:30pm (Tue – Fri)
- 5:00pm – 7:00pm (Tue – Fri)

East Oakland Sports Center (EOSC) Pool: The East Oakland Sports Center Pool will be undergoing maintenance for the next 2 weeks due to a mechanical failure. **The closure will be effective immediately, August 10, 2021 - August 24, 2021.**

While we understand this closure maybe an inconvenience, our top priority is getting swimmers back in the water. Fortunately, our water aerobics instructor Jennifer, has agreed to lead a Senior Fitness Class. The class will be at no additional cost to your membership and will be ongoing until the pool re-opens and regular water aerobics instruction can resume.

The Senior Fitness class will be from 8:30am-9:30am Monday-Friday in the EOSC Dance Studio. There is no sign up necessary. Just come on in and join us!

We ask attendees to be prompt for class as the instructor reserves the right to go home after the first 15 minutes if there are no attendees. Masks are required. Appropriate attire for the class consists of fitness or comfortable clothing and sneakers.

2021 East Oakland Sports Center (EOSC) Pool Fall Schedule

- Water Aerobics (All Ages) * Mon – Fri 8:30AM – 9:30AM (Lap Pool)
- Water Walking Mon – Fri 8:30AM – 1:30PM (Lazy River)
- Adult Swim* Mon – Fri 9:45AM – 1:30PM (Lap Pool)
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- Adult Swim* Mon & Thu 5:00PM – 5:30PM (Lap Pool)
- Water Walking* Mon & Thu 5:00PM – 7:00PM (Lazy River)
- Water Aerobics (All Ages) * Mon & Thu 5:30PM – 6:30PM (Lap Pool)
- Adult Swim* Mon & Thu 6:30PM – 7:00PM (Lap Pool)

***Monthly no contract passes or daily rate required. No outdoor pool lap swim passes will be accepted.**

Monthly no contract passes are \$25 youth (ages 14-17), \$40 seniors, and \$55 adults.

Drop-in fees are \$3 youth, \$6 seniors, \$8 residents, and \$10 non-residents.

Monthly no contract passes or drop-in fees includes access to the following: fitness center, group fitness/group X classes, Fit Care, water aerobics, lap swim, water walking, and recreation swim (when available).

For those interested in obtaining a monthly no contract pass email Stephanie Siles at SSiles@oaklandca.gov or call 510-615-5838.

DeFremery Pool: Defremery Pool closed for the summer on Friday August 6, 2021 and will reopen in the 2022 Summer Season.

Fremont Pool: Fremont Pool closed for the summer on Friday August 6, 2021 and will reopen in Summer 2022. Future lifeguard certification courses at Fremont Pool are listed below.

Live Oak Pool: Available for rental usage only. Currently Oakland Barracudas Masters are using the Live Oak Pool Monday- Saturday at various times. Oakland Unified School District (OUSD) has the facility reserved through joint-use agreement from 8:30am – 5:30pm. Oaklantis, an Oakland-based youth non-profit swimming club, has begun use of the Live Oak Monday-Friday afternoons and Saturday mornings.

2021 Fall Outdoor Pool Lap Swim Hours

Lions Pool

- 11:00am – 2:30pm (Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri)
- 6:00pm – 8:00pm (Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri)
- 11:00am – 2:30pm (Sat)

Temescal Pool

- 12:30pm – 2:30pm (Tue – Fri)
- 5:00pm – 7:00pm (Tue – Fri)

Locker rooms and Showers are now open. **Pre-Admission Screening** is still required before proceeding. Pre-Admission screening includes a series of questions and a temperature check. Additionally, swimmers must wear face-covering for the duration of the visit except when in water. We are currently recruiting lifeguard certified staff which will allow us to expand lap swim and other program offerings.

For future Lap Swim Schedule updates visit our website by [clicking here](#) or visit [City of Oakland | Lap Swimmers - Action Required! \(oaklandca.gov\)](http://oaklandca.gov)

Employment Opportunities

For those possessing current lifeguard and water safety instructor certifications, OPRYD Aquatics' next oral interviews and water exams are scheduled for this Saturday August 14, 2021 at Temescal Pool.

The deadline to be added to the August 14, 2021 interview and water exam list is Tuesday August 10, 2021.

[Click here to apply for open Aquatics Positions](#) or visit us online at [Job Opportunities | Job Opportunities \(governmentjobs.com\)](http://governmentjobs.com)

Upcoming Lifeguard Certifications Courses

OPRYD Aquatics is seeking teens 16-year-old and up, college students, adults, seniors, swim team/water polo participants, lap swimmers and the broader community interested in becoming certified lifeguards.

Future Blended Learning Lifeguard Certification courses will be hosted at Fremont Pool August 16-26 and October 4-14 as follows:

- August 16 –26, 2021 (Monday – Thursday August 16 - 19 6:00pm-8:30pm; Saturday August 21 10:00am-4:00pm)
(Monday – Thursday August 23 - 26 6:00pm-8:30pm)
- October 4 –14, 2021 (Monday – Thursday October 4 - 7 6:00pm-8:30pm; Saturday October 9 10:00am-4:00pm)
(Monday – Thursday October 11 - 14 6:00pm-8:30pm)

Registration is \$100.00 for OUSD students, \$190.00 for Oakland residents, and \$225.00 for non-residents seeking to join future Lifeguarding Certification courses.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER FOR UPCOMING LIFEGUARD CERTIFICATION COURSES](#)

BOATING

Lake Merritt Boating Center: Lake Merritt Boating Center (LMBC) has resumed boating rentals each Saturday & Sunday throughout Summer 2021 from 11:00am-5:00pm. Please call 510-238-2196 or email for additional questions or email Gabriel Gipson at GGipson@oaklandca.gov.

Boating and Sailing Camps: Ended on Friday August 6, 2021

For questions or concerns about boating contact Gabriel Gipson or visit us online at www.sailoakland.com.

Jack London Aquatic Center (JLAC): JLAC Summer Camps for youth will resume in the summer of 2022.

CULTURE, ARTS, NATURE, & SCIENCE

Rotary Nature: Currently closed. Staff continues to perform regular maintenance of the sanctuary and surrounding area. Programs are tentatively scheduled to begin Fall 2021.

Studio One Art Center: Studio One Art POD will host three sessions between June 14 and August 6, each session has 60 spaces, with 60 registered; Studio One Teen Leadership Arts Academy ages 12-14. Maximum enrollment is 20 youth for each session, July 6 - July 23 and July 26 – August 6; Staff has continued firing services and selling clay.

Clay Firing Services:

<https://www.oaklandca.gov/services/studio-one-clay-firing-services>

Discovery Center: Currently closed due the temporary reassignment of staff to assist with the City of Oakland food distribution program. Beginning June 1, 2021, the center will transition its primary location to Arroyo Viejo Recreation Center. Program is tentatively scheduled to begin Fall 2021.

Community Gardens: There are 12 active community garden sites, with 12 registered gardeners and 247 thriving planting boxes. Staff is actively recruiting community gardeners to utilize unused boxes; and to reactivate dormant gardens. Staff has performed regular management of garden space, and report vandalism and public safety issues.

Register for a box, or sign up to volunteer at:

<https://www.oaklandca.gov/topics/community-gardening>

CENTRAL RESERVATIONS UNIT

Facilities & Parks Available for Rent

The reservations calendar for the Central Reservations is open for July 1, 2021- December 31, 2022. To ensure a safe environment for all visitors, applicants are required to observe the following:

- Masks are still required for gatherings for ages 3 yrs. of age and older.
- Anyone who is experiencing COVID symptoms must not attend – if you are sick, stay home.

Facilities & Parks Available for Booking Monday-Sunday 8:00 am -10:00 pm

- Dunsmuir Hellman Historic Estate, 2960 Peralta Oaks
- Lakeside Park Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Avenue
- Joaquin Miller Community Center, 3594 Sanborn Dr.
- Leona Lodge Community Center, 4444 Mountain Blvd.
- Jack London Aquatic Center (JLAC), 115 Embarcadero

****Booking hours vary based on venue availability.***

- ***Malonga Casquelourd Center for The Arts**, 1428 Alice Street
Available for Booking: Tuesday-Saturday 8:00am – 8:00pm,
Sunday-Monday Closed

Malonga Theater: Book now for calendar dates beginning August 1, 2021.

Studio E: Public groups only

Studio A & C Resident Company Classes only

- ***Sequoia Lodge**, 2666 Mountain Blvd.
Available for Booking: Fridays 5:00pm-10:00pm & Saturday-Sunday 8:00am-10:00pm
- ***Morcom Rose Garden**, 700 Jean St.
Available for Booking: Monday – Sunday 8:00am –7:00pm
- ***Parks: Stand-Alone Parks not adjacent to Recreations Centers**

Available for Booking: Monday- Sunday 6:00 am - 8:00 pm

To Book a Reservation click on the link <https://www.oaklandca.gov/services/rentals-and-reservations> or contact Central Reservations via email at: CRU@oaklandca.gov

CITY-WIDE UPDATES

Tennis: Citywide tennis courts are open to the public. Patrons can make reservations online to reserve local tennis courts at www.cityofoakland.perfectmind.com.

- Pickleball: Courts are open to the public at Bushrod, deFremery and Montclair. Patrons can make reservations online to reserve local courts at www.cityofoakland.perfectmind.com.
- Basketball courts have been fully restored citywide.
- City playgrounds are open for “Use At Your Own Risk”
- DeFremery Skate Park “Town Park”, Rainbow, and Montclair Parks Skate Ramps are open for use within social distancing guidelines
- **Dog Parks:** In order to create ADA Parking Access for Woodminster Annual Summer Musicals, Joaquin Miller Dog Park will be **closed Friday-Sunday for the months of July and August**. You may still access one of Oakland’s 25 other designated Dog Parks & Play Areas.

For a list of Dog Parks and Play Areas, and other related information, visit <http://oaklandca.gov/resources/dog-friendly-parks>.

- **Joaquin Miller Dog Park Closure July-August 2020**

July 2021	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	July 9	July 10	July 11
	July 16	July 17	July 18
	July 23	July 24	July 25
August 2021			
	August 6	August 7	August 8
	August 13	August 14	August 15
	August 20	August 21	August 22

OPRYD RACE & EQUITY TEAM

OPRYD's recently reestablished Race Equity Team includes a diverse, seasoned and passionate group of staff, with many years of experience and training in the recreation and youth development field. Cynthia Armstrong, Center Director of Arroyo Viejo Recreation Center; Kola Thomas, Center Director of Golden Gate Recreation Center; Alethia Walker, Center Director of Studio One Art Center; Zermaine Thomas, Special Events Coordinator for Central Reservations

Unit; Bianca Posada, Recreation Program Director for Inclusion Programs; Asmerom Kidane, Recreation Specialist for Ace Kids' Golf. Each team member offers a unique perspective, and their individual experience on the issues of Race Equity within OPRYD.

The OPRYD Racial Equity Team supports the mission of the City of Oakland to transform practices in City government to promote inclusion and full participation by a broad representation of residents, and to end racial inequity in the community and in the workplace. The Team works to implement the racial equity mission within Oakland Parks, Recreation and Youth Development by supporting capacity building, the development of the department's annual Racial Equity Strategic Plan and promoting the application of a racial equity framework and tools across the department's activities.

OPRYD ACCREDITATION

OPRYD management has started structuring our internal committees for phase three of the CAPRA Accreditation process and preparing for our weekly webinar trainings in the upcoming weeks.

The trainings will guide us on how to use the CAPRA standards, evaluate and adjust our operations prior to completing a self-assessment report and to demonstrate that our agency is following the standards.

There are four basis purposes for the Self-Assessment Report:

- To collect, review, and record all material relative to administration of the park and recreation agency.
- The process provides opportunity to involve staff at all levels of the organization in the assessment.
- To provide documentation that an agency is meeting nationally recognized standards.
- The Commission Review Team (CRT) and Site Visitation Team (SVT) assess the documentation indicating the ways in which the standards are being met and serves as a basis for the CAPRA Commission's determination of accreditation and re-accreditation.

Some committee's members will be task to identify documentation we may all already have to support and meet the accreditation requirements. A few examples that CAPRA considers evidence of compliance documents are Administrative Policies, & Procedures, a Marketing Plan, Community Plan or an Emergency Risk Communications Report. It will be imperative we partner with other city agencies like Risk Management, or Human Resources to support us in this venture.