

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

TOWN CAMP (SUMMER 2021)

We are excited to bring our summer 2021 Town Camp experience to an end. We will close out the summer with the most exciting theme yet in our Carnival Week!

This week's activities are loaded with a mix of traditional and carnival-themed activities. Activities include:

- Relay races
- Craft-Making
- Cooking
- Cotton Candy
- Playdough
- Puppet making
- Bean bag toss
- Parachute games
- Watermelon eating contest
- Musical chairs
- Hula hoop contest

In addition to the weekly activities, each recreation center will host a carnival full of fun for registered participants. A fun-filled day planned at each facility includes:

- bouncy house
- water slide jumper
- belly bumpers
- corn hole
- potato sack races
- field games
- cotton candy
- snow cones
- popcorn
- booths with exciting carnival games.

This week's Carnival fun day was made possible by a group of sponsors through the [Oakland Parks Foundation \(OPRF\)](#) who supported our Spring for Parks fundraising event.

We thank our sponsors and partners for helping to enhance this year's Town Camp experience. Be prepared to have an amazing week full of carnival fun!

Coming Soon - Look for our Town Afterschool Updates next week. 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) began June 28th. For more information contact Frederick Morris III, Sports coordinator at FMorris@oaklandca.gov.

- ONBL playoffs begins this week taking place at four locations including, Tassafaronga, Ira Jenkins, Oakland Technical High School and Oakland High School. We have approximately 35 teams or 275+ participants in multiple age groups.

Davie Tennis Stadium: Junior Tennis Camp summer session is in progress. Register at www.cityofoakland.perfectmind.com. 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 through the remainder of the summer

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 it's seventh week at four locations including, Owen Jones Field, Curt Flood Field, Franklin Park and Allendale Park. 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.

East Oakland Sports Center (EOSC) Pool: Effective Thursday July 8, 2021, Temescal Pool will close each Monday and Lions Pool will close each Thursday. Aquatics staff from each respective site will shift to East Oakland Sports Center (EOSC) as we phase the re-opening of the pool. The EOSC Pool will re-open on Thursday July 8, 2021 with a weekly schedule as follows:

East Oakland Sports Center Pool Schedule - Effective July 8, 2021

Monday and Thursday	8:30am –7:00pm
Tuesday and Wednesday	8:30am –1:30pm
Friday	12:00pm-1:30pm

The following programs will be offered at the EOSC Water Park & Pool:

- Adult/Senior Water Aerobics (All Ages) * Mon - Thu 8:30am – 9:30am (Lap Pool)
- Town Camp Swim + Lessons** Mon - Thu 9:45am – 11:00am (Lap Pool)
- Adult/Senior Independent Water Walking* Mon - Thu 9:45am – 11:30am (Lazy River/Splash Pool)
- Adult/Senior Independent Water Walking* Friday 12:00pm – 1:30pm (Lazy River/Splash Pool)
- Adult/Senior Lap Swim* Mon – Fri 12:00pm – 1:30pm (Lap Pool)
- Public Recreation Swim* Mon & Thu 2:00pm – 2:45pm (Session A)
- Public Recreation Swim* Mon & Thu 3:00pm – 3:45pm (Session B)
- Adult/Senior Lap Swim* Mon & Thu 4:30pm – 7:00pm (Lap Pool)

*Membership or daily rate required. No lap passes.

**Participants must be registered in Town Camp Swim + at Ira Jinkins Recreation Center

Approximately 30 youth participants between ages 6-12 from Ira Jinkins Recreation Center began participating in the Town Camp Swim + Summer program at the EOSC Pool on Monday June 14, 2021. Youth participants are participating in 8 weeks of Learn to Swim Lessons Monday-Thursday from 9:30am-10:00am, and 10:00am-10:45am.

DeFremery Pool: Defremery Pool reopened with a limited schedule for Summer 2021 on June 14, 2021. Approximately 76 youth participants between ages 6-12 from Defremery and Lincoln Square Recreation Centers are participating in the **Town Camp Swim +** Summer program which includes 8 weeks of Learn to Swim Lessons.

Town Camp Swim +	Monday - Thursday	9:20am - 11:15am	(ages 6-14)
Learn to Swim Lessons	Monday - Thursday	11:30am - 12:00pm	(ages 6-14)
Lap Swim	Monday - Friday	12:15pm - 1:15pm	(ages 14 and up)
Public Recreation Swim	Monday - Friday	12:15pm - 2:45pm	(All ages)
Swim Team/Stroke Clinic	Monday-Friday	3:00pm - 5:00pm	(ages 6-18)

Fremont Pool: Due to the current lifeguard shortage, OPRYD is working to open Fremont Pool on a limited schedule. As details are finalized, OPRYD Aquatics will provide an update via the Super Weekly and online at [City of Oakland | Fremont Pool \(oaklandca.gov\)](http://City of Oakland | Fremont Pool (oaklandca.gov)). For questions or concerns contact us via email at opraqatics@oaklandca.gov

Lions Pool: Lions Pool reopened with a limited schedule for Summer 2021 on June 14, 2021. Beginning Thursday July 8, 2021 Lions Pool will close each Thursday and their aquatics staff will shift to East Oakland Sports Center on that day.

Learn to Swim Lessons	Mon - Wed	9:00am – 11:55am	(ages 6-14)
Lap Swim	Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri	12:15pm - 2:45pm	(ages 14 and up)
Public Recreation Swim	Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri	3:00pm - 4:15pm	(All ages)
Swim Team/Stroke Clinic	Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri	4:30pm-5:45pm	(ages 6-18)
Lap Swim	Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri	6:00pm - 8:00pm	(ages 14 and up)
Lap Swim	Saturday	11:00am - 2:30pm	(ages 14 and up)

Temescal Pool: Temescal Pool reopened with a limited schedule for Summer 2021 on June 14, 2021. Beginning Monday July 12, 2021 Temescal Pool will close each Monday and their aquatics staff will shift to East Oakland Sports Center on that day.

Learn to Swim Lessons	Tuesday - Thursday	9:45am – 10:25am	(ages 6-14)
Lap Swim	Tuesday - Friday	11:15am - 1:15pm	(ages 14 and up)
	Tuesday - Friday	5:00pm - 6:30pm	(ages 14 and up)
Public Recreation Swim	Tuesday - Friday	1:30pm - 2:45pm	(All ages)
Swim Team/Stroke Clinic	Monday - Friday	3:00pm - 4:45pm	(ages 6-18)

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.

Updated Lap Swim Times & Procedures

Saturday June 26, 2021 was the final day OPRYD Aquatics used the SignUp Genius reservation system. On Monday June 28, 2021 OPRYD Aquatics resumed the pre-pandemic format of Lap Swim (drop-in) at 7 people per lane without any appointments during our open Lap Swim hours. Email opraqatics@oaklandca.gov or call 510-482-7852 for questions or concerns. To register for programs visit [City of Oakland | Register Online for Parks and Recreation Activities \(oaklandca.gov\)](https://www.cityofoakland.com/register-online-for-parks-and-recreation-activities).

Lions Pool

- 12:15pm – 2:45pm (Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri)
- 6:00pm – 8:00pm (Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri)
- 11:00am – 2:30pm (Sat)

Temescal Pool

- 11:15am – 1:15pm (Tue – Fri)
- 5:00pm – 6:30pm (Tue – Fri)

DeFremery Pool (effective Tuesday July 6, 2021) *

- 12:15pm-1:15pm (Mon – Fri)

Lap Swim Fees (Outdoor Pools)

~ Exact Change Required~

Adult	\$6.00
Senior (55 and over)	\$4.00
Adult Pass of 10 Swims*	\$50.00 (\$5.00 per swim)
Adult Pass of 30 Swims*	\$50.00 (\$4.50 per swim)
Senior Pass of 10 Swims*	\$31.00 (\$3.10 per swim)
Senior Pass of 30 Swims*	\$75.00 (\$2.50 per swim)

*All Swim Pass Memberships expire 1 year from the date of purchase.

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://City of Oakland | Lap Swimmers - Action Required! (oaklandca.gov))

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: Basic Sailing (ages 10-17), Intermediate Sailing (ages 10-17), and Explorers Camp (ages 7-10) Youth Boating Town Camps for session 1 began on June 14 and runs through July 2nd. During this session we are serving 36 participants who are learning progressive boating/sailing skills and furthering their knowledge and talents. After a week of partner sailing, boaters/sailors are now developing their solo skills and learning more advanced boating techniques. Session 2 will run 6 – July 23, and Session 3 will run July 26 – August 6, 2021.

All sessions are currently full with the exception of Intermediate Sailing Camp which has (1) one spot remaining in Session 2. For questions or concerns about boating contact Gabriel Gipson or visit us online at www.sailoakland.com.

Jack London Aquatic Center (JLAC): The Rowing Dock Replacement CIP project is complete JLAC. Construction is done and the final paperwork was approved by the City's Engineer and Project Delivery. 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 is excited to announce the completion of part 2 of the NRPA, Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies' (CAPRA) mandatory training series! We can officially proceed with step 3 - preparing the agencies self-assessment report. The report is based on an agency's self-assessment compliance of the 154 standards for national accreditation.

Understanding Standards, and the Self-Assessment.

A standard is a statement of desirable practice as set forth by experienced professionals. The standards are a measure of effectiveness using the cause and effect ("if...then") approach. If one acts in a certain way, then it is expected that there will be a certain outcome. In practice, if an agency complies with a given standard, then it is expected that the agency's operations related to that standard will be positively affected. The standards provide an effective and credible means of evaluating a park and recreation agency's overall system.

The self-assessment is the key phase in the accreditation process and engages the entire organization, employees, volunteers, citizen boards, committees, city agencies and accreditation parks and recreation agencies.

As our organization embarks on this huge venture, the self-assessment will allow us to see areas of success in providing services to our communities, partners, OUSD, non-profits, and mostly to our youth.

In the next couple of weeks staff will be invited to participate in the CAPRA webinar training series to better understand and appreciate why it's so vital for our organization to take part of the accreditation process.

Upcoming Training series:

- What is CAPRA
- Agency Roles and Responsibilities
- CAPRA Standards Section 1-3 and 9
- CAPRA Standards Sections 4 and 5 of the CAPRA Standards
- CAPRA Standards Section 6,7, 8 and 10
- CAPRA Series #6 – Developing Your Self-Assessment Report
- CAPRA Series #7 CAPRA site Visit Team members
- CEU Credit

Below is the link to The National Accreditation Standards, Sixth Edition 2019

<https://www.nrpa.org/contentassets/30f03182dc3343e7800380a1211d889a/capra-national-accreditation-standards-master-document-12-8-2020.pdf?communitykey=2d7ebdfa-73f2-4b7c-930f-7ff32663f0d9&tab=librarydocuments>

Investing in you is investing in your community!