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2019 PROGRAM GUIDE





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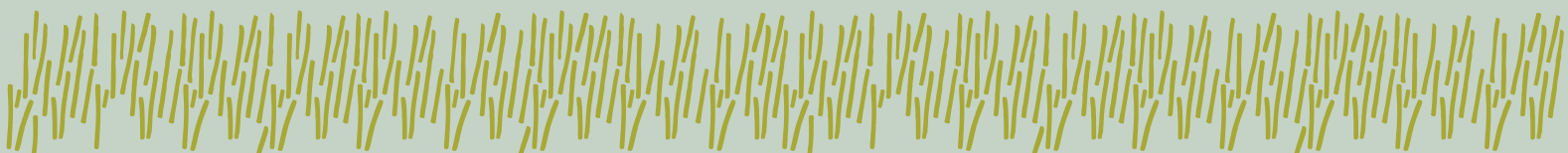
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Derek was hired in 2015 as the Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation and was promoted to the position of Director in 2017. He received a Bachelor of Science in Recreation & Park Administration from Illinois State University in May of 2015. He grew up in Gridley, IL and graduated from El Paso-Gridley High School in 2010 where he played baseball, basketball, and golf. He currently lives in Gridley with his wife, Elsie, and is the Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach at El Paso-Gridley High School as well as a volunteer assistant coach for the El Paso-Gridley Jr High School baseball team.



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Colton was hired in 2017. He received a Bachelor of Science in Recreation & Park Administration from Illinois State University in May of 2015 and a Master of Science in Recreation Administration from Illinois State University in May of 2017. He grew up in Forreston, IL where he played baseball, basketball, and football in school. Before he transferred to Illinois State University, he was an Assistant Varsity Basketball Coach at Forreston High School. Colton has always had sports and recreation as a part of his everyday life which is what drove him to pursue a career in Parks & Recreation.



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CITY OF EL PASO PARKS + RECREATION DEPARTMENT

FUNCTIONS

The purpose of the El Paso Parks and Recreation Department is to create an environment responsive to the needs, desires, and interests of the participants.

JOIN AN ACTIVITY

Opportunities for leisure activities are secured in a variety of ways by the individual, either through their own initiative or through organized programs and educational sessions.

PARKS

Corn Belt Park

Corn Belt Park features a basketball court, small playground area, and sheltered picnic area.

Franklin Park

Franklin Park features our famous elephant slide, a half-court basketball court, playground, and swing set.

Jefferson Park

Jefferson Park features a playground, outdoor stage, and two sheltered picnic areas.

South Pointe Park

South Pointe Park is a 40-acre park located on the south side of El Paso. It features a variety of amenities including: baseball/ softball diamonds, basketball court, nine-hole disc golf course, horseshoe pits, playground, Olympic-size swimming pool, pond for fishing, picnic shelters, sand volleyball courts, soccer fields, and tennis courts.

Bike Trail & Walking Path

The Bike Trail & Walking Path is 5.4 miles. It extends from 1.5 miles north of El Paso to South Pointe Park and bisects the community.





YOUTH ACTIVITIES

The El Paso Parks & Recreation Department offers a great deal of youth programs. These programs are designed to instill leadership, teamwork, and responsibility in our youth. We offer In House programs such as Basketball, Instructional Baseball, Soccer, Tee-ball, and Volleyball. These programs are structured in a way that the participants learn the basics of the sport while having a fun time doing so. We also offer a variety of Travel programs that include Baseball, Basketball, Soccer, Softball, and Volleyball. These programs are designed for the participant that is looking for a more competitive program.

SPRING TRAVEL SOCCER

Travel Soccer is being offered for soccer players that are looking for a higher level of competition and an advanced playing situation. This program is designed to give the soccer players from El Paso-Gridley the opportunity to play against other quality teams from the surrounding area. This program competes in the Inter-Community Soccer League which is structured to be more competitive than the El Paso Parks & Recreation In House Soccer program. Travel Soccer is for athletes that are 18 years old and younger. This program features assigned teams, one or two practices per week, and games on Saturdays. The deadline to register for Travel Soccer is in late-February. The fee is \$140.00 per player. Each player must also buy a jersey.

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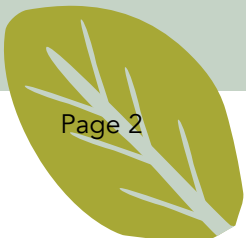


SUMMER 8U TRAVEL BASEBALL

8U Travel Baseball is for children that are eight years old (as of April 30, 2019) and younger. This program features a pitching machine, assigned teams, one or two practices per week, and one or two games per week. The deadline to register for 8U Travel Baseball is in late-February. The roster, game schedule, practice schedule, and rules will be issued in late-April. The games begin in mid-May and end in late-June. The fee is \$49.00 per player. Each player must also buy a jersey.

10U, 12U, 14U TRAVEL BASEBALL

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TEE-BALL

Tee-ball will consist of approximately 10 boys and girls per team. Coaches will be on the field for guidance and assistance. Games will be played on Subway Field in El Paso from the week before Memorial Day through the end of June. Games will be played on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Each team will play six games. The fee is \$49.00 per player and each player will receive a T-shirt. The registration deadline is in late-March.

INSTRUCTIONAL BASEBALL

Instructional Baseball will consist of approximately 10 boys and girls per team. Coaches will be on the field for guidance and assistance. Games will be played on Subway Field in El Paso from the week before Memorial Day through the end of June. Games will be played on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Each team will play six games. The fee is \$49.00 per player and each player will receive a T-shirt. The registration deadline is in late-March.



PARENT'S NIGHT OUT

Parents, enjoy a night away from your children while they enjoy a supervised, kids-only pool party! The participants will enjoy fun music and themed games and activities. Dinner, drinks, and a treat will be provided. Children should arrive ready to party, wearing a swimsuit and coverup, and bring a towel. This event runs annually on the last Saturday in July. The registration deadline is on Friday, July 19, 2019.



MOTHER-SON DATE NIGHT

Starting in the summer of 2019, we will be programming this event to meet a community need! Please be on the lookout for more information.

DAY CAMP

This Day Camp will give your child fun activities throughout the summer. The activities will include swimming, group activities, arts and crafts, sports, and much more! Participants must bring a swimsuit, towel, sunscreen, and sack lunch on each day. The Day Camp will provide drinks and an afternoon snack. We will have use of the El Paso Community Building as our indoor facility in case of inclement weather. Each participant will receive a T-shirt on the first day of the program. There will be no Day Camp on July 4.

FALL IN HOUSE SOCCER CAMP

Pre-Kindergarten through 4th Grade boys and girls will have the chance to learn the basic fundamentals of soccer. The objective of this program will be to introduce all participants to the skills of soccer through proper demonstration and fun activities. This program will be run as a camp with a short game at the end of each session. The In House Soccer Camp will take place over a period of five weeks. The camps will take place on Saturdays at South Pointe Park. Each session will be one hour in length with an instructor and volunteers throughout. There will be a short scrimmage at the end of each session. The fee is \$45.00 per player and each player will receive a T-shirt. The registration deadline is in early-July.



TRAVEL SOCCER

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GIRLS' TRAVEL BASKETBALL

Travel Basketball is being offered for female basketball players that are looking for a higher level of competition and an advanced playing situation. This program is designed to give the female basketball players from El Paso-Gridley the opportunity to play against other quality teams from the surrounding area. Travel Basketball is for athletes that are in the 5th and 6th Grade. This program features assigned teams, one or two practices per week, and one or two games per week. The fee is \$110.00 per player. Each player must also buy a jersey. The registration deadline is in late-July.



IN HOUSE VOLLEYBALL

In House Volleyball is being offered to 1st Grade through 4th Grade boys and girls and will consist of approximately 10 players per team. Coaches will be on the court for guidance and assistance. The objective of this program will be to introduce all participants to the skills of volleyball through proper demonstration and fun activities. Games will be played in the Jefferson Park Elementary School gym on Saturdays. Each team will play six games. The fee is \$49.00 per player and each player will receive a T-shirt. Practices will take place on Monday evenings. If there are too many teams then practices may also take place on another night of the week. The registration deadline is in early-August.



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WINTER BOYS' TRAVEL BASKETBALL

Travel Basketball is being offered for male basketball players that are looking for a higher level of competition and an advanced playing situation. This program is designed to give the male basketball players from El Paso-Gridley the opportunity to play against other quality teams from the surrounding area. Travel Basketball is for athletes that are in the 5th and 6th Grade. This program features assigned teams, one or two practices per week, and one or two games per week. The fee is \$110.00 per player. Each player must also buy a jersey. The registration deadline is in early-September.



IN HOUSE BASKETBALL CAMP

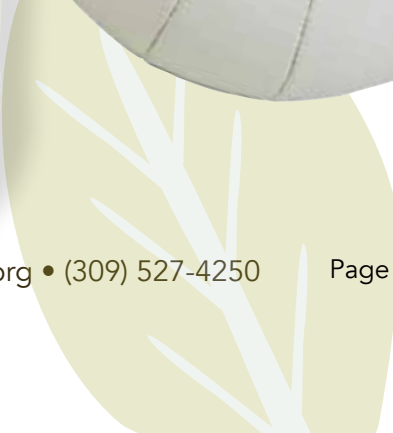
Pre-Kindergarten through 2nd Grade boys and girls will have the chance to learn the basic fundamentals of basketball. The objective of this program will be to introduce all participants to the skills of basketball through proper demonstration and fun activities. This program will be run as a camp with a short game at the end of each session. The In House Basketball Camp will take place over a period of six weeks. The camps will take place on Saturdays in the Centennial School gym. Each session will be one hour in length with an instructor and volunteers throughout. The fee is \$40.00 per player and each player will receive a T-shirt. The registration deadline is in late October.

IN HOUSE BASKETBALL

In House Basketball will consist of approximately 10 3rd and 4th graders per team. There will be a boys division and girls division. Coaches will be on the court for guidance and assistance. Games will be played in the Jefferson Park Elementary School gym on Saturdays. Each team will play six games. The fee is \$49.00 per player and each player will receive a T-shirt. The registration deadline is in late-October.

TRAVEL VOLLEYBALL

Travel Volleyball is being offered for male and female volleyball players that are looking for a higher level of competition and an advanced playing situation. This program is designed to give the volleyball players from El Paso-Gridley the opportunity to play against other quality teams from the surrounding area. Travel Volleyball is for athletes that are in the 5th and 6th Grade. This program features assigned teams, one or two practices per week, and one or two games per week. Each player must buy a jersey. The registration deadline is in mid-November.



FATHER-DAUGHTER DANCE

Fathers, here is your chance to take your favorite girl(s) out for a night of fun and dancing! This promises to be a night to remember, full of fun, music, games, and plenty of dancing! Enjoy pizza, treats, refreshments, and a photo booth! All of the girls will bring home a special gift! The Father-Daughter Dance will take place in the El Paso Community Building on Friday, February 15, 2019 from 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM. The registration deadline is set for Tuesday, February 12, 2019. You must register as a couple. The fee for a couple is \$25.00 and there is a \$5.00 fee for any additional daughters. This is an annual event that will always take place on the first Friday after Valentine's Day. This special event is for daughters that are 12 years old and under and all of the daughters must be accompanied by a caregiver.



ADULT ACTIVITIES

Browse a variety of adult activities including basketball, softball, tennis, volleyball, and Zumba Toning.

ADULT DROP-IN BASKETBALL

Drop-in Basketball is conducted on Monday and Thursday nights during the fall, winter, and spring. The open gyms are held in the Centennial School gym at 8:30 PM. The fee is \$2.00.

ZUMBA TONING

Zumba is perfect for everybody and every body! Each Zumba class is designed to bring people together to sweat it on. A licensed instructor will take the "work" out of workout by mixing low-intensity and high-intensity moves for an interval-style, calorie-burning dance fitness party. Once the Latin and world rhythms take over, you'll see why Zumba fitness classes are often called exercise in disguise. The benefits include: a total workout, combining all elements of fitness (cardio, muscle conditioning, balance, and flexibility), boosted energy, and a serious dose of awesome each time you leave class. All of the classes take place in the El Paso Community Building on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM. The registration fees are based on a six-week session period and a free seventh week is also included! The fee for one class per week is \$36.00, the fee for two classes per week is \$60.00, and a \$7.00 drop-in fee is available for non-members. To participate in this program, you must be at least 18 years of age or accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

ADULT BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Do you still have something left to prove? If so, sign up for the competitive Adult Basketball League. To participate in this program, you must be 18 years old or older and no longer enrolled in high school. The regular season will be played between the dates of late-February and mid-April with the playoffs to take place during the following two weeks. Teams must be registered by early-February. All of the games will be played in the Centennial School gym on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday evenings. The anticipated time slots will be for games to tip-off at 7:00 PM and 8:00 PM. The fee for a team is \$525.00 and there is a \$52.50 free agent fee. Reversible team jerseys will be provided. Each team may roster up to 10 players.



ADULT CO-ED SOFTBALL LEAGUE

Adult Co-ed Softball is for men and women and takes place in July and August. To participate in this program, you must be 18 years old or older and no longer enrolled in high school. All of the games are double headers and will be played at South Pointe Park on Sunday evenings. The season will consist of 10 games played over 5 weeks plus a season ending tournament. The deadline to register is in late-May. The rosters and fees are due by the deadline. The fee is \$275.00 per team.

WATER AEROBICS

Join our instructors as they lead a water aerobics program which offers physical benefits comparable to swimming, while incorporating resistance training more than normal aerobics. This program takes place at the South Pointe Park City Pool on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM. The registration fees are based on a six-week session period and a free seventh week is also included! The fee for one class per week is \$36.00, the fee for two classes per week is \$60.00, and a \$7.00 drop-in fee is available for non-members. To participate in this program, you must be at least 18 years of age or accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

ADULT CO-ED SAND VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE

Sand Volleyball is for men and women and takes place during the summer months. To participate in this program, you must be 18 years old or older and no longer enrolled in high school. The season will last for eight weeks plus a season ending tournament. The structure is six-on-six and each team must have at least two women on it. The fee is \$200.00 per team.



ADULT MIXED DOUBLES TENNIS LEAGUE

Are you interested in playing tennis, but have no one to play with? South Pointe Park now offers an Adult Mixed Doubles (men's and women's) Tennis League. The matches will be determined on a weekly basis by the number of participants available. The participants will need to bring their racket and a new can of tennis balls. League matches will take place on Thursdays starting at 6:30 PM.



SENIOR CITIZEN ACTIVITIES

We offer a range of programs for senior citizens to help establish a healthy and active lifestyle. Jill Wilson leads the Movers and Shakers program as well as all of our trips and outings. Register for the class or any of our outings and we think that you will agree that Jill does a fantastic job!

MOVERS AND SHAKERS

Join our instructor as she leads a program aimed at developing muscular endurance as well as strength and improved balance. This program takes place weekly in the El Paso Community Building on Mondays, Wednesday, and Fridays from 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM. The registration fees are based on a six-week session period. The fee for the six-week session is \$25.00 and a \$2.00 drop-in fee is available for non-members.



TRIPS + OUTINGS

El Paso Parks & Recreation takes numerous trips and outings aimed for the enjoyment of our senior citizens. Some of the events include going to: concerts, movies, plays, potlucks, quilting events, restaurants, Tanners Orchard, and more!

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES EL PASO HOMETOWN DAYS

The El Paso Parks & Recreation Department, with the help of several businesses and organizations in the El Paso Area, present El Paso Hometown Days! El Paso Hometown Days is held during the first weekend after Memorial Day each year. This year it will take place on May 30, 2019 through June 2, 2019. Listed below are the events that are scheduled to take place throughout the event.

- Pool after Dark (Music, Games, Glow Sticks, & more!)
- Bingo
- Movie in the Park
- Jog for Joey 5k
- Fishing Derby (12 & under)
- Bake Sale
- Co-ed Adult Softball Tourney
- Zumba in the Park
- Recreational Games (Bags, Horseshoes, Inflatable Games, KanJam, Spikeball, & more!)
- Face Painting
- Pork Chop Dinner
- Concert (Beer Garden)
- Community Breakfast
- Community Church Service



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TRACTOR SHOW + CAR CRUISE-IN

The Tractor Show & Car Cruise-in will take place on July 6, 2019 at South Pointe Park. All are welcome to bring their favorite tractor or car and show it off! This event is completely free to spectators and participants. The park will be packed with fun activities and delicious food for all to try. If you would like to partake in this event just show up between 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM on July 6, 2019 to take part in all of the fun!

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Saturday, July 6th

South Pointe Park

10:00am-2:00pm



TRACTOR SHOW & CAR CRUISE-IN



Food Stands

Ice Cream Cart

Tractor Competitions

Face Painting

Kiddie Tractor Pulls

Parade & More!

Families are encouraged to bring their own lawn chairs

For more information, please call El Paso Parks & Rec at (309) 527-4250



EASTERN ILLINOIS BASEBALL LEAGUE

El Paso is now the proud home of an Eastern Illinois Baseball League team! Their inaugural season will take place in 2019 and all of their home games will be played at South Pointe Park! The games will take place on Sundays in May, June, and July and all of the games are double headers. The team will be comprised of current, former, and aspiring college baseball players. These young players will get the opportunity to play in front of college and even professional scouts! The league dates its history back to 1933 and a number of professional baseball players, including Satchel Paige, have been a part of it! We hope to see many of you at their games this summer!

2019 Schedule - All of the dates are doubleheaders and begin at 1:00 PM.

May 26 @ Lexington	June 30 vs Lexington
June 2 vs Buckley	July 7 @ Buckley
June 9 vs Gifford	July 14 @ Gifford
June 16 @ Paxton	July 21 vs Paxton
June 23 vs Royal	June 28 @ Royal



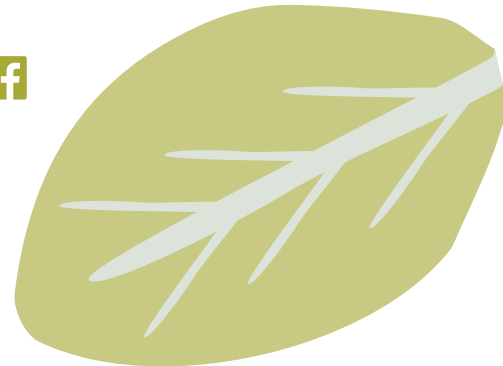
SOUTH POINTE POOL

The pool will open on Memorial Day weekend and close at the start of the Unit 11 academic term.

Hours of Operation: Monday - Friday - 12:00 PM (noon) - 7:00 PM • Saturday - Sunday - 12:00 PM (noon) - 7:00 PM

Daily Admission

Consumer	Fee (Per Person)
Individuals	\$3.00 per person
Families (<i>immediate family members only</i>)	\$7.00 per family



Season Passes

Consumer	Individual Season Pass	Family Season Pass
Residents	\$50.00	\$90.00
Nonresidents	\$62.50	\$112.50

Definition of a Family

Family Season Passes are valid for immediate family members only. This means that a father, mother, and children, all living in the same household. Children must be 18 years of age or younger, unless they are a full-time student. Stepchildren may be included only if they reside with the family member utilizing the family season pass. Couples that are living together, fiancés, grandparents, grandchildren, cousins, children that you babysit for, and neighbors are not eligible.

Pool Party Rental

Monday - Friday: 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
 Saturday - Sunday: 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Fee: \$50 per hour



THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR PROUD SPONSORS FOR HELPING US THROUGHOUT THE YEAR! YOUR GENEROSITY ALLOWS US TO PURCHASE NEW EQUIPMENT FOR YOUTH SPORTS PROGRAMS, PUT ON THE FATHER-DAUGHTER DANCE AND HOMETOWN DAYS, AND SO MUCH MORE! WE LOOK FORWARD TO PARTNERING WITH YOU ALL IN THE FUTURE!



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