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RANCHO SIMI RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT

ANNOUNCES FACILITY AND PROGRAM UPDATES

Per guidance from the State of California, and in accordance with the most recent update to the Public Health Order and FAQ’s by the Ventura County Health Officer dated August 31, 2020 and September 6, 2020 respectively, the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District continues to operate the following District facilities, programs and classes as noted below. For those facilities, programs and classes that remain closed, the District will provide updated information regarding progress toward re-opening as the information becomes available.

The following Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District facilities are open with social distancing and California Department of Public Health guidance for the use of face coverings requirements. District parks and outdoor facilities are available for rental / permitting for religious services, cultural ceremonies, fitness activities, youth sports training and conditioning, and business-related activities that are authorized by the State of California and the County of Ventura.

- All Parks (including public restrooms, excluding playgrounds, splash pads, and exercise stations)
- All Trails
- Simi Hills Golf Course (including driving range, putting green, pro shop, and outdoor dining)
- Sinaloa Golf Course (including driving range and putting green)
- Tennis & Pickleball Courts
- Outdoor Basketball Courts
- Outdoor Volleyball Courts
- Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District Activity Center (excluding programs and classes)
- Oak Park Community Center (excluding programs and classes)
- Strathearn Historical Park
- The Pool at Rancho Simi Community Park
- Santa Susana Train Depot
- Berylwood Park Building
- Houghton Park Building
- Knolls Station Building
- Mae Boyar Park Building
- Rancho Santa Susana Community Center (excluding programs and classes)
- Skate Plaza at Berylwood Park  (Please see Berylwood Park webpage for scheduled use periods)
The following Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District facilities will remain closed until further notice:

- All Playground Structures and Exercise Stations within District Parks

The following Park District programs and classes are available:

- **Virtual / In-Person Programming** – The District is offering **limited, outdoor in-person classes authorized by the State / County**. Many programs and classes continue to be offered through a virtual format. Visit the District website at [www.rsrpd.org](http://www.rsrpd.org) to view the **Fall 2020 Virtual / In-Person Brochure** and to register on-line.

- **Aquatics** – The pool at Rancho Simi Community Park is open and taking reservations for individual and family swim hours and swim lessons. Reservable swim hours are available through October 4th. Swim lesson sessions will continue through September 24th. To reserve time or register for lessons, please visit [www.rsrpd.org](http://www.rsrpd.org).

- **The Before and After School Club Program** has been modified to accommodate Simi Valley Unified School Districts’ online learning model with the new **PAL extended full day program** which includes both **Play And Learning**. The PAL program provides all of the elements of the traditional BASC program with the added opportunity to complete virtual school learning while attending the program. Offered at multiple sites in Simi Valley, the program operates under strict adherence to State and County Health Guidelines. A full day option is available from 6:45am-6:00pm, Monday through Friday. Information and registration is available on the Before and After School Clubs webpage at [www.rsrpd.org](http://www.rsrpd.org).

- **Preschool** - Amended hours and locations accommodate small class size, social distancing, and State and County Health Guidelines. Limited space available in Simi Valley. Additional information, registration, and wait list for full classes is available on the Preschool webpage at [www.rsrpd.org](http://www.rsrpd.org).

The following District programs and classes will remain closed until further notice:

- **District sponsored adult and youth sports leagues**

- **District sponsored classes and activities scheduled at the Simi Valley Senior Center**. Information about virtual and limited outdoor activities at alternate locations can be found on the **Age 50+ webpage** at [www.rsrpd.org](http://www.rsrpd.org). Registration for the 50+ Community Games is available on the webpage from September 14 through October 2, 2020.
If you are part of a non-RSRPD youth or adult sports league, please contact your leagues organization for more information regarding the status of your league.

The following District-sponsored Special Events have been cancelled through Sept 30, 2020 including:

- 9/13/20 - Eat Well, Live Well, Food Truck Sunday at Oak Canyon Community Park
- 9/26/20 - Junk In The Trunk at Rancho Santa Susana Community Park

As a reminder, while using outdoor spaces and District facilities, patrons are required to comply with social distancing requirements and practice proper COVID-19 hygiene. As outlined in the guidance document published on the California Department of Public Health website, face coverings must be worn while outdoors in public spaces when maintaining a physical distance of 6 feet from persons who are not members of the same household or residence is not feasible. This document can be found at https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/CDPH%20Document%20Library/COVID-19/Guidance-for-Face-Coverings_06-18-2020.pdf

In addition to routine cleaning operations, the District is using a medical / hospital broad spectrum disinfectant and antimicrobial agent to clean and sanitize equipment wherever possible and common surfaces such as doorknobs, drinking fountains, desk and counter tops, chairs, sinks, handrails, restrooms and additional public areas.

For more information or if you have District related business that you need to conduct, please contact the District by phone at 805-584-4400 or by email at info@rsrpd.us. For additional health advisories and information, please visit https://www.venturacountyrecovers.org.