



Brookens Gymnasium

📍 1776 East Washington, Urbana

🚌 Green/Grey

☎ Questions: 217-255-8601

Brookens Gym is in pod 400 of the Champaign County Administration (Brookens) Building. The gym is well-lit and has a reconditioned floor. Locker rooms are available to program participants. Locks are not provided. Ample parking can be found directly adjacent to the building accessible from the Lierman Avenue entrance off Art Bartell Road.

Urbana Park District Rainout Line

217-367-9575

www.urbanaparks.org/events/rain-outs-and-cancellations/

For information about program cancellations, including weather cancellations, and for updates about special events or other key happenings at the Urbana Park District, visit www.urbanaparks.org. For evening sports programs, this line will be updated after 4:30pm on weekdays and one hour before the scheduled program or sports on the weekend. All other updates will be made as conditions change.

Planning a birthday party?

Reserve your Brookens Gym rental at least two weeks in advance by completing an application and making a full payment. (There is a two-hour minimum on rentals). Call 217-255-8601 for information.

See "Birthday Parties" on page 54.

Rent Brookens Gym WEEKDAYS

(8am-3pm*) for ONLY \$20/hour

*Call 217-255-8601 to check availability

Athletic Field Rentals: Soccer, Baseball, Softball

Download a field request form at:
www.urbanaparks.org/rentals/rent-a-park/

Minimum \$30/3hr (base price with bases/goals)
\$10/hr additional
\$100 - Prepped field (includes dragging and lining)
\$40/hr - lights (only on softball/baseball)

Sports Officials

Urbana Park District youth and adult sports programs provide an excellent training ground for individuals interested in officiating sports. Officials are needed for youth basketball and soccer. Officials must be at least 16. Certified officials are encouraged to apply to assist in maintaining a high-quality program and to help develop and train less experienced officials. Certified officials are preferred for baseball and softball. The pay rate varies with the age of competition and sport. Apply online at www.urbanaparks.org/employment.html.

Sport	Application Deadline	Rate/Game
Youth Soccer	April 2	\$12-\$15
Adult Kickball	May 28	\$10-\$15
Youth Baseball	May 7	\$50

VOLUNTEER COACHES NEEDED

Adult volunteers coach our youth sports programs such as T-Ball, basketball, and soccer. Without our volunteer coaches, we do not have leaders for your child's team. As a volunteer, you will spend 3-4 total hours per week leading practices through drills and skill building exercises and coaching games (that you go to already). Training resources are provided for each sport including discussions on skills, strategies, and policies. We can even match you with another parent and you can co-coach. Parents interested in helping should call 217-255-8601, or fill out a Volunteer Application online at www.urbanaparks.org. Volunteer as head coach for your child's team and receive a refund for your child's fee once the season is complete. Applies to all youth sports teams except Wood Bat League.

Friendship Grove Nature Playscape

📍 Anita Purves Nature Center
1505 North Broadway, Urbana

🚌 Gold/Ruby (Weekdays) | Silver (Saturdays)

☎️ Questions and to Make Reservations for
Groups of 10+: 217-384-4062

The Friendship Grove Nature Playscape at the Anita Purves Nature Center is a hands-on, kid-directed outdoor play space that allows children's imagination and ingenuity to inspire their adventures. The playscape provides accessible play opportunities for all abilities. There are four main features, as well as additional play elements that change with the seasons.

The Four Anchor Pieces

- Log Wall - Imagine all the ways you can use this multi-purpose structure.
- Fallen Tree - Use large muscles to climb, jump, balance; search for signs of wildlife.
- Digging Area - Get dirty and have fun playing on the ground with friends.
- Tunnel - Crawl and traverse this hill/tunnel combination.

Climbing features are intended for ages 5-12. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Keep your dog at home - they are not permitted here or in district natural areas (see page 20 for more information).

Planning a group visit? Call 217-384-4062

Please call ahead if you plan to bring a group of 10 or more. Staff can help you choose a time that does not conflict with a scheduled program or event and can help you reserve picnic tables if needed.

See photos and learn more about the Friendship Grove Nature Playscape and the benefits of nature play at: www.urbanaparks.org/facilities/friendship-grove-nature-playscape/



Check out these programs planned for the Friendship Grove Nature Playscape:

Nature Play Kids - page 48

Outdoor Movie Night - page 49

Play Date with Nature - page 49

Fab Lab Fort Building - page 49

Forest Preschool - page 48

Mud Kitchen Birthday Party - page 54

Lake House in Crystal Lake Park

📍 206 West Park, Urbana

🚌 Orange/Gold

☎ Rental Information: 217-367-1544

☎ Boating Information: 217-328-1069



Cozy and Convenient

The Lake House is a cozy spot for birthdays, bridal and baby showers, family reunions, corporate trainings, meetings, and more! Between November and March, you can add the fireplace for atmosphere! **Rehabilitation will be completed this summer and while access to the Lake House and immediate surroundings won't be impacted, large machinery may be present and vegetation and plantings around the lake edge across from the Lake House will be removed and grounds will be affected visually.

Tucked away in Crystal Lake Park, the Lake House offers a beautiful view of Crystal Lake and easy access to pavilions, playgrounds, and boating opportunities in the park. The rental room can seat 50 people or accommodate up to 60 standing people. There is a two-hour minimum for all rentals. Please make your request at least two weeks in advance.

Plan Your Next Meeting, Training or Retreat with Us

The Lake House offers a relaxing setting that your staff and your budget will appreciate. For only \$35-45/hour, you'll have access to all the Lake House features. Call Janet at 217-367-1544 ext. 277 to see if your meeting qualifies for our seminar rate.

Included in Every Rental: use of a prep kitchen with counter space, small microwave, sink, ice machine, use of refrigerator and freezer. Easel, screen and podium are also available at no extra charge.

Rental Fees

Mon-Thur	\$50/hour (seats 50) \$65/hour with patio (seats 100)
Fri-Sun	\$60/hour (seats 50) \$75/hour with patio (seats 100)
Extras	LCD Projector - \$25 TV/DVD \$10 Fireplace \$25

The lakeside deck, which accommodates up to 75 chairs you provide, is the ideal spot for a small ceremony right on the water's edge. Reserve the lakeside deck for your special occasion for a \$50 flat fee. All rentals require a \$75 deposit. Additional permits and/or fees are required to serve beer and wine at your event or if you are charging an entry fee to the public. Please make all requests at least two weeks in advance. Requests made less than two weeks in advance pay additional charges.

Boating and Concession Hours

Stop by the Lake House in Crystal Lake Park to rent a paddleboat, canoe or rowboat and discover Crystal Lake. The Lake House will close when weather conditions make boating unsafe. Call 328-1069 for updated information.

Aug 18-Sep 1 Saturdays and Sundays only: 12-7pm (open Labor Day- our last day of the season)

2021 Boat Rental Fees

Kayaks: NEW!	\$8/half-hour or \$10/hour
Canoes & Rowboats:	\$8/half-hour or \$10/hour
2-person Paddle Boats:	\$9/half-hour or \$12/hour
3-person Paddle Boats:	\$10/half-hour or \$13/hour
4-person Paddle Boats:	\$11/half-hour or \$14/hour

We accept all major credit cards, cash or check (with valid ID) as payment. Fees include Coast Guard-approved life jackets with sizes ranging from infant to adult. An adult must accompany anyone under 16. A valid driver's license or major credit card is required as a deposit on all rentals.



Skiing and Sledding

Crystal Lake Park is a great location for winter activities when the weather permits. Cannonball Hill is perfect for cool, steep sledding fun. The hill lights are on until 9pm. Cross country skiers enjoy the brisk weather while skiing the park's trails.

Ice skating is no longer allowed on Crystal Lake. The lake acts as a drainage basin for Crystal Lake Park and the surrounding neighborhood and is continually receiving new water all winter. This means there is no guarantee that the lake will freeze evenly to a depth of six inches. Call our Planning and Operations office at 217-344-9583 if you have questions.

Urbana Park District Rainout Line - Download the app or call us.

217-367-9575

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Crystal Lake Enhancement Plans

Most of the heavy construction and closures associated with the Crystal Lake Rehabilitation Project are complete. Keep a close eye on the lake edge as the native grasses, flowers, trees, and shrubs planted last fall begin to grow! Native "plugs" or small plants will also be installed this spring. We hope you enjoy the new amenities the park has to offer, including stone outcroppings, a boat dock, gravel kayak launch, playground, small pavilion, and family game area with concrete baggo sets and checkerboards at the Large Pavilion.



HOW TO SEARCH FOR FACILITY AVAILABILITY ONLINE

1. Go to the www.urbanaparks.org/register.
2. Click the grey "click to register online" button.
3. Click the "Rentals tab", then click the gray "View Facilities" button.
4. Scroll down the list to find your desired facility or enter the type of facility into the search bar (e.g. room, gym, pavilion, or pool). A list of matching facilities will be generated, but do not click on the facility's name.
5. The right column has a "view availability" box for each facility. Click on that box and a calendar opens.
6. Find the date you are interested in. Most facilities will have available times listed in that square. For others, you will click on the "view available times" wording in that day.
7. For pavilions only, click the blue "Book" button to book online. At that point you will be prompted to login to an existing ActiveNet account or to create one if your family does not have one.
8. Call 217-367-1544 to follow up and verify Phillips Recreation Center, pools, pavilions and Lake House availability. Call 217-384-4062 to verify Anita Purves Nature Center availability. Call 217-255-8601 to verify gymnasium or athletics field availability.

Phillips Recreation Center

📍 505 West Stoughton, Urbana

🚌 Gold/Silver

📞 Questions: 217-367-1544

Stop by the Urbana Park District's updated recreation office and community center. This public facility has three multi-purpose rooms with padded polyurethane flooring, a demo kitchen, senior lounge and a beautiful dance/fitness room. Experience the variety of exciting classes, programs and activities for all ages. The Phillips Center is the place to sign up for programs, rent a picnic pavilion or get your pool pass photo taken. We look forward to helping you enjoy all that the district has to offer. We'd be glad to help you with your online registration, too!

The Phillips Recreation Center has many youth programs therefore we require mask to be worn when children are present.

James Room Kitchen

Our newly reconstructed kitchen with its open floor plan demo kitchen and classroom space is much more accessible and allows us to share nutrition and cooking classes for all ages and abilities in addition to other Age-Friendly Programs. See page 36 for a listing of programs in the kitchen.

Dance/Fitness Rooms

Our 2,000-square-foot wood-sprung dance floor is easy on the joints when you dance or exercise with us. The Phillips Recreation Center is known for a non-intimidating atmosphere and welcoming instructors, so exercising here is convenient and comfortable. A wide variety of classes fits many schedules. See page 42-44 for group fitness, water exercise or yoga classes. Stop at the front desk to sign a waiver and get details.

Room Rental

Programs of all types are held in our three multi-purpose rooms – from preschool fine arts to family special events. During times when rooms are not in use, they are available to rent. Rooms can accommodate 30-100 people(seated), depending on room arrangement and needs. Rental rates range from \$55 to \$170 an hour, depending on how many rooms are rented. Each room is just over 660 square feet. Talk with Heather Britsky at extension 272 about room set-up and availability.



Office Hours: May 29-September 6

Mon-Thurs 8am-6pm | Fri 8am-5pm

Office Hours: After September 6

Mon-Thurs 8am-6pm | Fri 8am-5pm | Sat 8am-12pm

Closure Dates:

Sep 6, Nov 11, Nov 25-27, Dec 13-January 1



Urbana Dog Park

📍 1501 East Perkins Road, Urbana

🚌 Gold

📞 Questions: 217-344-9583



A park especially for dogs
Open daily from sunrise until sunset

The Urbana Park District Dog Park allows dogs to run off leash and is open daily from sunrise to sunset. For security of all members, do not visit the park after dark. The 10 acres feature a shaded area in the center of the park and plenty of open meadow for running. This park provides a fun place for your dog to romp with other dogs and for you to meet and get to know other dog owners.

Memberships are available on a yearly basis from the date of purchase at the Phillips Recreation Office; 505 W. Stoughton, Urbana. Online registration is not possible at this time.

In Person or Mail

1. Request and complete a registration form in person or Visit www.urbanaparks.org/parks/dog-park-perkins-rd.site/ to and save or print off a fillable registration form. Read the rules. Include your email contact information.
2. Proof of vaccination from your vet is required to complete membership. Provide a copy of your dog's current vaccination record, showing proof of distemper and rabies vaccination. Your vet may fax these documents to the Phillips Recreation Office: 217-367-1592 or email them to info@urbanaparks.org
3. Payment: Cash, check or credit card.
 - In Person pay by cash, check or credit card.
 - By mail include a check with your registration form.
 - By phone, staff will call you for your credit card once they have received the completed registration form and necessary documentation. DO NOT email your credit card information. Resident and non-resident rates apply. Reciprocal Agreement: The Urbana Park District and Champaign Park District have a reciprocal agreement that allows for a resident of one district to participate in programs and services of the other district at the resident rate.
4. Your membership will include a fob to open the electronic gate at the Urbana Dog Park entrance. It can be mailed to you if you register by mail or phone, or you may stop by the Phillips Recreation Center during business hours to pick it up. It is active through the duration of your membership, unless park use is revoked. The fob fee is \$10/fob. You may purchase more than one to share with family members. Replacement fobs are \$10/fob. **The Urbana Park District is not responsible for fobs lost through the mail.**
5. Only active members have working fobs. Do not open the gate for others. If your fob does not work, call 217-367-1544.

Membership Fees:

One Dog (Resident): \$41 + \$10 fob fee

One Dog (Non-Resident):
\$61 + \$10 fob fee

Each Additional Dog: \$6

Each Additional Fob: \$10

Monthly Trial Visitor Passes

Visitors may purchase a monthly trial visitor pass for \$10 plus the \$10 fob fee. If in that month, the patron wishes to purchase a year's membership, their trial pass fee will be applied toward an annual membership fee. We expect all visitors to follow all rules and membership requirements.

Two Memberships for the Price of One!

The Champaign Park District operates the Bark Park on the corner of Windsor and Rising Roads. The two park districts have an agreement that allows members to purchase a gate fob for the other dog park for just \$10. Members must take a copy of their membership receipt to either the Champaign Park District or Urbana Park District to register for the additional dog park access. Champaign Park District Bark Park members must bring their membership receipt to the Urbana Park District to purchase an Urbana Dog Park fob. Rules for both parks are the same.



📍 102 E. Michigan, Urbana
 🚌 Green/Grey/Bronze
 📞 Questions: 217-384-7665
 ✓ Register: 217-367-1544

The Urbana Indoor Aquatic Center is a partnership between the Urbana School District and the Urbana Park District. It is open to everyone during public swim time with a paid admission, punch card, or membership card. Lap swim times are for individuals age 15 and up who wish to swim for exercise. Attend Urbana Park District water exercise classes by registering and paying for a specific program. UIAC is also home to park district swimming, diving and PE lessons. Take advantage of this great community pool—and bring a friend!

Pool Features

- Well-trained guards
- Zero-depth recreational pool equipped with water geysers, dinosaur slide and rain drop umbrella toy
- Drop slide and flume slide
- 25-meter x 25-yard competition pool
- 1-meter diving board
- Mens, women’s and all gender locker rooms
- Party room

Afternoon/Evening Closure Dates

No public activities after 3pm (morning and lunch activities will continue)

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| August 27 | - UHS Football Game |
| August 31 | - UHS Swim Meet |
| September 9 | - UHS Swim meet |
| September 10 | - UHS Football Game |
| September 23 | - UHS Swim Meet |
| October 1 | - UHS Football Game |
| October 13 | - UHS Swim Meet |
| October 15 | - UHS Football Game |
| October 29 | - HEAT Meet |
| December 7 | - UHS Swim Meet |
| December 14 | - UHS Swim Meet |

PUBLIC HOURS:

Hours are subject to change. Look for postings on the Urbana Indoor Aquatic Center outer doors. Refunds and/or credits are not given for closures of any kind.

Fall Hours: September 7 –December 16

Days	Time	Type of Swim
M-F	6-8am	Lap Swim & Water Exercise Classes
	11am-1pm*	Lap Swim
	6-9pm	Public Swim
Sa	12-5pm	Public Swim
Su	2-7pm	Public Swim

**Hours are subject to change due to varying school district schedules. Please refer to posted signs or call the UIAC for these changes in hours.*

Winter Break Hours: December 17 – January 2

Days	Time	Type of Swim
M-F	6-8am	Lap Swim & Water Exercise Classes
	11am-1pm	Lap Swim
	1:30-9pm	Public Swim
Sa	12-5pm	Public Swim
Su	2-7pm	Public Swim

Closure Dates

Closed all day - No public activities

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| September 4-6 | - Labor Day Weekend |
| October 9 | - UHS Swim Meet |
| October 30 & 31 | -HEAT Meet |
| November 6 | - UHS Sectionals Swim Meet |
| November 25 | - Thanksgiving Day |
| December 24 | - Christmas Eve |
| December 25 | - Christmas Day |
| December 31 | - New Year's Eve |
| January 1 | - New Year's Day |

Aquatic Programs

