Visit the Friendship Grove Nature Playscape



The *Friendship Grove Nature Playscape* at the *Anita Purves Nature Center* is a hands-on, outdoor play space where fun in nature is led by a child's imagination and ingenuity. Children can comfortably explore, experiment, socialize, and manipulate the environment. There are four main features of the playscape:

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

Parking

- Parking is available in the Anita Purves Nature Center/Crystal Lake Park Family Aquatic Center parking lot.
- Parking can be especially limited on summer afternoons.
- Overflow parking is available off Broadway Avenue east of the aquatic center during the summer months.
- Bus parking is located at the lot at Park & Broadway Avenue. If it is raining, call the nature center for alternative bus parking information.

Accessibility

The nature playscape, Busey Woods Gateway, Boardwalk Trail and the Anita Purves Nature Center are wheelchair accessible.

Restrooms

Public restrooms are located outside the Crystal Lake Park Family Aquatic Center (April-October) and inside the Anita Purves Nature Center during open hours. Thank you for wiping off your shoes before entering!





Please Note:

- Groups of 10+ should call to let us know that you are coming: 217-384-4062
- Climbing features are intended for ages 5-12
- Children must be accompanied by an adult
- Leave pets at home

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What Should I Bring?

- Water bottle
- Sunscreen
- Insect repellent
- Blankets or towels to protect car interiors on the way home
- Picnic lunch or snacks
- Wet wipes

Playscape Rules

- Get messy
- Touch it all
- Leave everything here
- Be respectful of others
- Use rocks and sticks for creating, not for throwing or fighting
- Explore. Pretend. Make friends.
- Be safe. Have Fun!

Thank You for Visiting!



