



WINTER 2025-26 PROGRAM GUIDE



Registration Begins
November 1

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January Fitness Special!

Happy
Holidays!

Welcome to Godley Park District!

Just a short jog off Route 66, we are tucked away in the Southwestern corner of Will County in the Village of Godley. Our facilities, grounds, programs & events are open to visitors from all communities.

The Community Center is open Monday through Friday, from 6:00 am to 8:00 pm. Saturday from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. We are closed on Sundays. The grounds are open daily 6:00 am - 10:00 pm.



Our Community Center houses a gymnasium, fitness center, game room and childcare center. Our beautiful grounds include two large playgrounds, two softball/baseball fields, basketball & sand volleyball courts, various pavilions/gazebo, a pond, 1-mile paved walking path, and two off-leash dog parks.

Unique to our Park, is our Barn area behind the Community Center. There you can visit our donkeys, goats, deer, horse, and sheep any time the grounds are open. Per doctor's orders, please refrain from feeding our furry friends.



Meet Our New Friends!



Our furry family just keeps growing! In addition to the goats and sheep we adopted, we have now acquired two alpacas!

They reside in the fenced in area closest to the garage of our Community Center.

Their names are Treasure & Miracle.

They can't wait for you to come visit!



Fitness

Fitness Center

The Park District Fitness Center offers state of the art fitness equipment. The Fitness Center is available during the hours that the Community Center is open. A fitness membership entitles the member access to the gymnasium (for no extra charge) during open gym times. Yearly, monthly & daily memberships are available.



Payment of membership fees and completed waiver is required before you are permitted to use the Fitness Center. Fitness members ages 13-17 are allowed but MUST be under direct supervision of a legal guardian who is also a fitness member. Locker room/shower facilities are available. Rates can be found on our website. Godley residents must show current proof of residency to receive resident rates.

Fitness Center Amenities Include:

- ♦ Weight Machines
- ♦ Free Weights
- ♦ Kettlebells
- ♦ Cardio Equipment
- ♦ TVs
- ♦ Locker Rooms
- ♦ Water Bottle Refill Station

January Fitness Center Special!

Keep your New Year's Resolution to get fit with a yearly membership to our Fitness Center. New members & those who have not had a membership in the past 12 months will receive 50% off our regular annual membership fees during the month of January.

Membership fees must be paid in full at the time of registration.
Excludes "Additional Family Member" rates. Valid January 2 - January 31, 2026.

Gymnasium - Open Gym Time

Patrons from all communities are welcome to use our gymnasium during open gym times. Please call ahead for availability or check the calendar on the board outside the gym. Open to all ages. The fee for ages 18+ is \$2.

Outdoor Walking Path, Basketball Court, Volleyball Court

A 1-mile, paved path throughout the park is available for walking or biking. There is an outdoor basketball and sand volleyball court on the grounds that are free to use.

Special Events

If you would like to become a sponsor of any of our annual special events, please contact us.



Santa's Shindig

Saturday, December 13 4:00 - 5:30 PM



Ho! Ho! Ho! Get your candy cane stripes and holiday cheer ready, because Santa is making a special stop at our place this year! Come enjoy a delicious Christmas dinner, listen to your favorite Christmas tunes and let the kids create a lasting memory with Santa.

Fee: \$8 ages 1-12; \$12 ages 13-adult
Register/Pay by December 3. Pre-registration Only. No walk-ins.
Maximum 50 attendees



Special Events

Winter Carnival* Friday, January 16 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

Get out of the cold and join us for a fun carnival game night. The kids will enjoy earning tickets at various carnival games that they'll trade in for prizes. We'll also have hot dogs, popcorn and water for sale and inflatables for the kids to play on.

Grades Kindergarten - 5th grade; all kids must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.
Fee: \$8 pre-registration through January 15; \$10 day of event or at the door

Wee Winter Carnival* Friday, January 23 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

The same carnival fun but for the "wee littles".

Ages 2-5 years; all kids must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.
Fee: \$8 pre-registration through January 22; \$10 day of event or at the door

* If we have to cancel either of the carnivals due to inclement weather, we do have snow dates set aside. Please watch our Facebook page for the most up-to-date information if the weather is questionable. If you are pre-registered, you will receive a phone call in the case of a cancellation.

Sweeties Dance

Saturday, February 14

6:30 - 9:00 pm

Grades 1st - 8th

\$5 per child (paid at the door)

Concessions will be available for purchase.

For security purposes, a parent or guardian must come into the Community Center after the dance to pickup child(ren).



Plan ahead! Fish Frys will start on Friday, February 20!

Programs

Family Bingo Nights

Take a night off from cooking! Let us feed you and your family while you all enjoy playing bingo for prizes! Pre-registration only. No walk-ins.

Time: 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Ages: 5 to Adult

Fees: \$6 ages 5-12, \$10 ages 13+

Date:
Thursday, November 13

Register/Pay by:
November 7

Dinner:
Spaghetti

Gong Meditation

We will begin & end with a brief guided meditation in order to draw you deeper into the experience. Cory Flanigan will play the gong for an hour. Wear layers of comfortable clothing that do not constrict the body, allowing for deep abdominal breathing and warmth. Bring a mat to lie on as well as a pillow and blankets as needed. Arrive early to allow yourself time to settle into the space. We meet in the Rec Hall by the water tower. Doors open 30 minutes before the start of class.

Saturday, November 22

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Fee: \$25 per person

Next Sessions: Friday, February 20 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Call to pre-register & pay up until the day of class. Maximum of 25 participants per session. Walk-ins are welcome if maximum has not been met. *Cash/check only at the door.*



Breath & Bodywork with Mary Griffin

Mary has 20 years of experience with traditional practices from around the world, including: Yoga, Qigong and Pilates. The focus of the class is to develop beneficial daily habits that strengthen and relax the body. Our practice will be anchored at three areas: the pelvic floor, the diaphragm and the tongue. Additionally, we will pay particular attention to posture and to the feet & hands.

In some classes, we may apply self massage to the face, head & neck, belly, feet & hands. We will occasionally use props such as yoga blocks & straps, chairs, firm blankets and the wall. This class is beginner level and will be useful for anyone interested in fundamentals of the human body and how we can support our health with simple and consistent work.

Thursdays, October 9 - November 13

6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Fees: \$45 per person, per session or \$10 drop-in

Next Sessions: January 22 - February 26; March 12 - April 16

Call to pre-register & pay up until the day of class. Maximum of 12 participants per session. Walk-ins are welcome if maximum has not been met. *Cash/check only at the door.*

Programs

Karate

Learn the basics of traditional Japanese style of karate, known as Shorei Goju. Students are taught flexibility exercises combined with the kicking, punching and self-defense techniques of karate workouts.

Must be enrolled in Session 1 to attend future sessions. Session dates subject to change.

Tuesdays & Thursdays 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Ages: 5 years - Adult

Fees: \$44 one day per week per session

\$64 two days per week per session

Session 2: October 28 - December 18 Register/Pay by October 28
(no class October 30, November 11 & 27)

Session 3: January 6 - February 26



Youth Basketball

Saturdays, January 3 - February 28, 2026

This camp is designed to teach basic basketball fundamentals, such as dribbling and passing. Students will put these practices to trial in friendly scrimmage games.

1st - 3rd grade	9:00 am - 10:00 am	\$40
4th - 5th grade	10:00 am - 11:30 am	\$55
6th - 8th grade	11:30 am - 1:00 pm	\$55

Register/Pay by January 2, 2025
T-shirt size needed upon registration.

Open Gym Pickleball

Get out of the weather elements and come play pickleball in our gymnasium.

\$2.00 per player

Dates & times will vary.
Call ahead for availability.

Court reservations are
available for \$15/hour.



Child Care & Preschool

Our Child Care Center offers a safe and educational environment to care for your children. Our secure facility operates from 6:00 am - 6:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

Classrooms Offered:

- ♦ Infants & Toddlers (6 weeks - 2 years)
- ♦ Busy Bees (2-3 years)
- ♦ Early Childhood (3-5 years & potty-trained)
- ♦ Before/After School Program (Kindergarten-12 years old from Reed-Custer Elementary & Middle Schools & Braceville Elementary)
- ♦ Summer Camp (school aged students)

Adult Programs

Senior Coffee & Chatting Group - Free

Stroll through the park or take a walk around our gymnasium with this fun group. Sit down for a cup of coffee when the walkin' is done.

Mondays, Wednesday, Fridays

10:00 am - 11:30 am

Seniors ALIVE!

Hey Seniors! Let's play some bingo and enjoy a delicious lunch with friends! Those 55+ are invited to join us the first Tuesday of every month for a morning of bingo, lunch, laughter and friendship. Food menu changes monthly.

Bingo starts at 10:30 am. Fee is \$10 per date.

Date:	Register/Pay by:
December 2	November 24
January 6	December 29
February 3	January 26

Godley Resident Luncheon

Adults 21+ from the Village of Godley can join us for a complimentary luncheon.

Bingo starts at 10:00 am and lunch is served at noon. You do not have to play bingo to attend.

Come have fun with your neighbors!

Date:	Register/Pay by:
November 20	November 10
December 18	December 8
January 15	January 5
February 19	February 9

Lunch Out & About

Come join the laughter and fun as we venture to different restaurants. Fee is \$6 for transportation. Lunch is on your own. All trips depart at 10:30 am.

Date:	Where to:	Register/Pay by:
November 26	Black Bear Diner (Morris)	November 19
December	No Lunch	
January 28	Mustachio's Bar & Grill (Carbon Hill)	January 14
February 25	Los Cantaros (Elwood)	February 18

Overnight Trips

New Orleans

April 19-25, 2026

Enjoy this 7 day/6 night bus trip to Historic New Orleans, Louisiana.

Price Includes:

- ♦ Motorcoach transportation
- ♦ 6 nights lodging including 4 consecutive nights in the New Orleans area
- ♦ 10 meals: 6 breakfasts and 4 dinners
- ♦ Guided Tour of New Orleans
- ♦ Admission to the National World War II Museum
- ♦ Guided tour of the Destrehan Plantation
- ♦ Admission to Mardi Gras World
- ♦ Relaxing Riverboat Cruise on the Mississippi River
- ♦ Enjoy Historic New Orleans French Quarter
- ♦ Admission to the Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum



Departs at 8:00 am on Sunday, April 19.

Fees: \$959 per person for double occupancy
\$1,234 per person for single occupancy

Sign up now with your \$75 deposit.
Final payment due February 12, 2026.



Travel insurance is available through Travel Insured International.



**For questions or more
information regarding trips,
contact Angie at
(815) 458-6129 x2.**

Rentals

Host your next event with us!

We have a wide range of options for both indoor and outdoor parties, events, sports practices & activities. The possibilities are endless!

Gym Rentals



Our Gymnasium can be booked two different ways. **Hourly bookings** are great for events such as a sports practice. **Banquet bookings** are available for bigger events such as a wedding, fundraiser or sports banquet. Maximum capacity for gym rentals is 450 people.

Call our front desk at extension 0 for more details and to book your date.



Rec Hall

This is a great place for smaller get-togethers such as birthday parties or baby & wedding showers. This facility has a full kitchen and restrooms. Maximum capacity is 80 people. Deposit: \$50**
Hourly Rate: R \$20/NR \$30*
Minimum rental time is 3 hours.

Inflatables Party!

Our inflatables are a fan favorite for a kids' party! We'll setup tables/chairs, the bounce castle & slide in our gymnasium for your friends and family to enjoy for at least 2 hours.

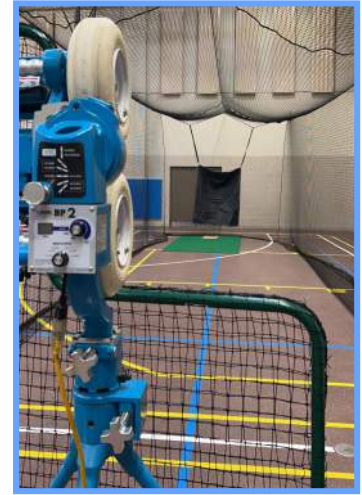
Deposit \$100**
2 hour rental: \$195
Additional time: \$55/hour



Rentals

Batting Cage & Pitching Machine

Rent our batting cage & pitching machine to get in some extra batting practice any time of the year. A waiver must be signed for all participants. Please note: this rental option does not reserve the whole gym. Hourly gym rental is available for an additional fee. Rental Fee: \$35/hour



OUTDOOR RENTALS



Our gazebo can fit up to 60 people for a smaller outdoor event. Rental of this facility ensures usage for the entire day (during outdoor park hours).

Deposit: \$50**

Rental fee: R \$50/NR \$75*

Softball Fields

When you're ready to move baseball/softball practice outside, we have two fields that are available for hourly rental. This is also a great option for a child's baseball/softball themed birthday party.

Deposit: \$50**

Rental Fee: \$30/hour or \$45/hour with the lights



The Large Pavilion offers the perfect shelter for an outdoor event. It is close to our pond which provides a lovely background for pictures. Rental of this facility ensures usage for the entire day (during outdoor park hours).

Maximum capacity is 250 people.

Deposit: \$100**

Rental fee: R \$75/NR \$105*

For more information or to reserve one of our facilities, please call our front desk at the number below.

* R = Godley Park District Resident NR = Non-Resident

** Deposits are refundable as long as there is no damage to the facility/equipment and no violations of the facility rental agreement.

GPD BOARD MEETINGS

Our board meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month beginning at 10:00 am in the Community Center conference room.

The next meeting dates are: November 12, December 10, January 14, February 11

GPD BUILDING CLOSURES

The Community Center will be closed on the following holiday dates:

November 11 - Veteran's Day
November 27 & 28 - Thanksgiving
December 23 - Closing @ 1:00 PM

December 24 & 25 - Christmas
January 1 - New Year's Day

For emergency closing information due to weather, please follow our Facebook page and check often for the most up-to-date information.

SAVE THE DATE

February 20 - March 20: Fish Fry Fridays March 7: Melissa's Closet
March 28: Annual Egg Hunt



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