Winter 2026-27 Program Guide



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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, and 1-mile paved walking path.

Unique to our Park, is our Barn area behind the Community Center. There you can visit our donkeys, goats, deer, horse, alpacas, cows and sheep any time the grounds are open. Per doctor's orders, please refrain from feeding our furry friends. We do have a coin operated feed machine in the petting area for the goats and sheep.

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

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 2-30, 2027.

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 12th
4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Come enjoy a delicious Christmas dinner, listen to your favorite Christmas tunes & let the kids create a lasting memory with Santa.

$8 Ages 1-12
$12 ages 13-adult
Register/Pay by December 7

Pre-registration only. No walk-ins. Max 50 attendees.

Godley Park District's Tree Lighting Celebration

Saturday, December 12
5:15 pm - 7:15 pm

- Inflatable Obstacle Course
- Meltdown Action Game
- Hot Chocolate
- Visit with Santa
- and Much More!

FREE for all Ages!

500 S. Kankakee St, Godley, IL
(815) 458-6129

Fish Fry



Fridays,
February 12 - March 12
4:00 - 7:00 pm
while supplies last

500 S. Kankakee St, Godley
Carry-outs available

Special Events

Winter Carnival* Friday, January 15 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 14; $10 day of event or at the door

Wee Winter Carnival* Friday, January 22 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 21; $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.



Programs

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 14 11:00 am - 12:30 pm
Fee: $25 per person

Next Sessions: February 6 & March 13

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.



Yoga with Violet

Move, breathe, and reset in this breath-centered practice. We will link steady movement with smooth inhalations and exhalations to build gentle internal heat, improve flexibility, and strengthen the core. Expect a welcoming, grounding sequence that offers foundational postures for newer students alongside creative transitions and deeper variations for those with more experience.

Bring your own yoga mat and any additional props you may need to feel comfortable such as yoga blocks or meditation pillows. 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.

Tuesdays, December 8-29 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Fee: $65 per person/per session or
$20 drop-in per class

Next Sessions: January 5-26; February 2-23

Call to pre-register & pay up until the day of class.
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, January 7 - February 11 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Fees: $45 per person, per session or $10 drop-in

Next Sessions: March 4 - April 8
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 9 - February 27, 2027

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 9, 2027
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 $12 per date.

Date:	Register/Pay by:
December 1	November 23
January 5	December 28
February 2	January 25

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:
December 17	December 7
January 21	January 11
February 18	February 8

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 25	Chili's (Morris)	November 18
December	No Lunch	
January 27	Chick-A-Dee (Wilmington)	January 20
February 24	Silver Dollar (Elwood)	February 17

Overnight Trips

Lancaster Show Trip & the Dutch Country — March 15-20, 2027

Enjoy this 6 day/5 night bus trip to Pennsylvania.



Price Includes:

- Motorcoach transportation
- 5 nights lodging including 3 consecutive nights in the Lancaster area
- 8 meals: 5 breakfasts and 3 dinners
- Guided Tour of Philadelphia
- Admission to a show at the Magic & Wonder Theatre
- Visit to charming Kitchen Kettle Village
- Guided Tour of Lancaster
- Admission to The Amish Experience & Jacob's Choice at the F/X Theatre



Departs at 8:00 am on Monday, March 15.

Fees: $930 per person for double occupancy
$1,139 per person for single occupancy

Sign up now with your $75 deposit.
Final payment due January 8, 2027.

Travel insurance is available through Travel Insured International.

For questions or more information regarding trips, contact Angie at (815) 458-6129 x3.

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.

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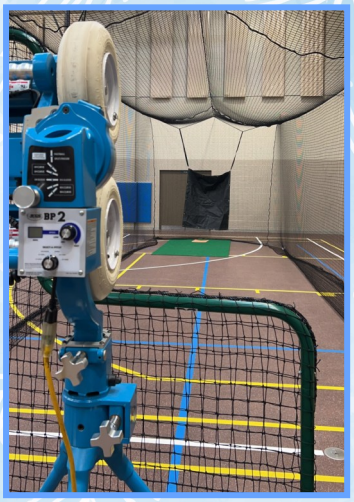
Our inflatables are a fan favorite for a kids' party! We'll setup tables/chairs, the bounce castle & slide in our gymnasium for your friends and family to enjoy for at least 2 hours.
Deposit $100**
2 hour rental: $195
Additional time: $55/hour

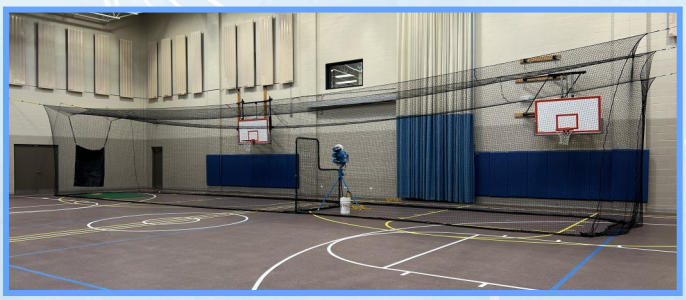


Rentals

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*



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*

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

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 Tuesday of the month beginning at 10:00 am in the Community Center conference room.

The next meeting dates are: December 8, January 12, February 9, March 9

GPD Building Closures

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

November 11 - Veteran's Day
November 26 & 27 - 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 12 - March 12: Fish Fry Fridays
March 6: Melissa's Closet
March 20: Annual Egg Hunt

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