



*Enriching the quality of life for our community*

# Concord

NORTH CAROLINA  
PARKS & RECREATION

Discover  
the  
adventures  
awaiting  
you....



# Facilities



The City of Concord Parks & Recreation is an active participant in the Carolina Thread Trail project. The Thread is a 15-county regional network of trails and greenways designed for the community to enjoy fitness and recreation through walking, biking, commuting and just relaxing. It will create a permanent legacy of land conservation for more than two million people by linking communities and attractions across North and South Carolina.

Additionally, the Thread will protect natural environments and conserve fragile lands and habitats, while improving water and air quality. The trail corridors provide necessary links for wildlife and protect many plant and animal species. Concord's McEachern Greenway and the Downtown Connector Greenway are Carolina Thread Trail designated, linking cities of Kannapolis and Mt. Pleasant via Concord. Learn more at [www.carolinathreadtrail.org](http://www.carolinathreadtrail.org).



## Greenways:

### The Village Greenway

.5 mile paved asphalt trail runs through historic Gibson Village community and can be enjoyed by walkers, runners, bicyclists and roller bladers. Entrances: Boys and Girls Club; Academy Avenue just past Webb Field; and Kerr Street between Crowell Drive and Cedar Drive.

### Harold B. McEachern Greenway

1 mile asphalt trail connects McEachern Greenway Downtown Connector at McGee Park to Les Myers Park. Walkers, runners,

bicyclists and roller bladers can enjoy nature along Three Mile Branch Creek.

### Downtown Greenway Loop

4 mile loop connects downtown to McGee Park, continues on McEachern Greenway to Les Myers Park. Sidewalks are utilized to complete the loop along Lawndale Avenue and Union Street South.

## Recreation Centers:

Each center offers a variety of recreational opportunities including: billiards, foosball, bumper pool, air hockey, shuffleboard and table tennis. Weight rooms, available to men and women, are equipped with machines, free weights and cardiovascular equipment. The centers also offer free play in the gymnasiums. Meeting rooms are available to the public – fee is based on usage.

**Academy Recreation Center** 147 Academy Avenue, NW; 704.920.5601

**Hartsell Recreation Center** 60 Hartsell School Road; 704.920.5602

**Logan Multi-purpose Center** 151 Rone Avenue, SW; 704.920.5603

## Other Facilities:

### Gibson Field

321 Misenheimer Avenue, NW; 704.784.2616.  
Home to Gibson Field Baseball Field.

### Hartsell Ballfield Complex

30 Swink Street, SW; 704.788.9325.  
Home to Bernie Edwards Field, Liles Field and Hartsell Broome Field.

### Lake Fisher Reservoir Boat Rentals

This watershed provides water to Concord residents, therefore rules and regulations govern activities. Boats are available for rent. Operates mid March–mid November; Wed–Sat: 7 am to 3 pm; Sun: 1 to 6 pm.

### McAllister Ballfield

160 Crowell Drive, NW.  
Home to McAllister Baseball/Softball Field.

### John F. McInnis Aquatic Center

151 Academy Avenue, NW; 704.920.5604.  
Facilities are available for use by the general public. Operates Memorial Day through Labor Day. Swim lessons are available.

### Rocky River Golf Club at Concord

6900 Bruton Smith Blvd; 704.455.1200.  
The premier public course in the Charlotte metropolitan area. A challenging course that utilizes many of the aesthetically appealing features of the area.

### Webb Field

165 Academy Avenue, NW; 704.786.8406.  
A multi-purpose large capacity facility for baseball and football. Historically, the home of the "Outlaw" Carolina Baseball League, circa 1930's.

### Community Meeting Rooms

Community meeting rooms are available to the public at Concord Fire Stations 7, 8 & 9. Reservations are handled through Concord Parks & Recreation. Call 704.920.5600.





# Parks

*There is no better time than now to enjoy our beautiful parks and greenways.*

Bob Dowless  
Parks & Recreation Director



## *Parks:*

**April – October:** Open daily from 8 am to 9 pm. Lighted field and court facilities close at 11 pm.

**November – March:** Open daily from 8 am to 7 pm. Lighted field and court facilities close at 10 pm.

### **Beverly Hills Park**

631 Miramar Street NE; 704.920.5601 for reservations. 4 acre neighborhood park that offers a playground, tennis courts, covered picnic shelter and restrooms.

### **James L. Dorton Park**

5790 Poplar Tent Road; 704.920.5602 for reservations. 24 acre park offers tennis courts, playgrounds, soccer field, disc golf, walking trail, covered picnic shelters, restrooms and concession stand.

### **Marvin Caldwell Park**

362 Georgia Avenue SW; 704.920.5603 for reservations. 24 acre park offers basketball and tennis courts, playgrounds, skating circle, walking trail, youth baseball fields, picnic shelters, amphitheater and community building.

### **Hartsell Park**

65 Sunderland Road; 704.920.5602 for reservations. 14 acre park offers playground, picnic shelter, volleyball, horseshoes, skating rink and restroom facilities.

### **J.W. "Mickey" McGee Jr. Park**

219 Corban Avenue; 704.920.5601 for reservations. 14 acre park offers playground, picnic shelter, bicycle racks, paved walking trail and restroom facilities.

### **Les Myers Park**

338 Lawndale Avenue; 704.920.5601 for reservations. 21 acre park offers tennis courts, playground equipment, horseshoe pits, concrete skating rink, C. D. Lyons Softball Field, 3 picnic shelters, community building, amphitheater and restroom facilities.

### **W.W. Flowe Park**

99 Central Heights Drive; 704.920.5603 for reservations. 40 acre park offers playground, mini picnic shelters and sites, volleyball court, horseshoe court, baseball and softball complex, walking trail, restrooms and concession stand.



*It's easy to 'go outside and find something to do'!*

## *Park Rangers*

Feel free to walk with and talk with our friendly park rangers (aka Concord Police officers) as they trek the parks and greenways to ensure our green spaces are both safe and enjoyable for all residents.

## *Master Plan:*

Concord Parks & Recreation's future plans consider the influence of the rapid growth in our community. We have taken a proactive approach in order to meet the increased demands for a broad spectrum of recreational offerings and alternative transportation routes throughout Concord. The strategically planned implementation for the increased inventory of parks and greenway trails, along with diverse recreation services for the community residents, is part of the Liveable Community Blueprint\*, a county-wide parks and trails master plan.

\*For more details, go to [www.concordparksandrec.org](http://www.concordparksandrec.org).



# Athletics

So many great reasons to play!



## Youth Sports Leagues:

We offer three youth leagues.  
Ages 4–15.



### Baseball & Softball

Registration: mid January–mid February.  
Season: March–May.

### Soccer

Registration: mid June–mid July.  
Season: August–October.

### Basketball

Registration: mid September–mid October.  
Season: November–February.

## Adult Sports Leagues:

We offer two adult leagues.

### Basketball

Leagues play January–March.

### Softball

Spring leagues play April–June.  
Fall leagues play September–November.

## Road Races:

Each road race features our greenway systems.

### 5K Bunny Run

Spring event.



### Streetlight 5K

Summer event.

### United Way 5K/10K

Fall event.

## Lifetime Sports:

### Golf

All of our golf lessons are facilitated by Rocky River Golf Club. We offer ladies only clinics, mixed abilities clinics and junior clinics. The annual Mayor's Tournament that takes place every summer is also hosted by Rocky River Golf Club.

### Tennis

Our tennis program is operated through a partnership with AMP tennis. Our USTA certified instructors offer lessons for all youth ages. Our biggest tennis complex, Les Myers Tennis Complex, has hosted local high school conference tournaments, as well as, USTA sanctioned youth and adult tournaments. Tennis facilities at Les Myers Park, James L. Dorton Park, Beverly Hills Park and Caldwell Park are open to the public on a regular basis.

### Aquatics

The McInnis Aquatic Center opens every summer on Memorial Day weekend. The Aquatic Center offers youth swim lessons that follow the American Red Cross Learn to Swim program. Many of our youth swim lesson participants have called this program the best kept secret in Concord. The aquatic center also offers adult swim lessons, adult water aerobics and open public swim. In addition, the center is used for senior swim and advanced swimming instruction for athletes interested in competitive swimming and triathlons.

### Disc Golf

Bring your frisbee and hone your disc golf skills at James L. Dorton Park, which offers a 9 hole course for beginner and intermediate play.







*Strong heart, strong bones AND new friendships.*

# Fitness

Keep a healthy lifestyle with a variety of fitness programs for adults and youth. All fitness programs are offered at a low cost and many of our instructors hold nationally recognized certifications and have significant training and experience.

### Youth Classes:

- Yoga Bagoda
- Active Kids

### Adult Classes:

- Exercise: The Basics
- Walking Class
- Fitnastics
- Fit & Fabulous
- Personal Training
- Pilates
- Stability Ball Workout
- Weight Training
- Yoga
- Zumba

### Senior Adult Classes:

- Fit & Fabulous

### Special Interest:

- Line Dance
- Shag Dance



## Summer Camps

**Summer Playground**, for ages 6-10, is a diverse recreational opportunity that offers challenging activities, games, field trips, arts and crafts, swimming and tennis lessons. Camp locations are Caldwell Park, Hartsell Park and Les Myers Park. **Camp GoneAloT**, for ages 11-13, is held at Academy Recreation Center. All camps enjoy swimming at the John F. McInnis Aquatic Center.



# Programs

Residents will find a wide variety of programs for varying interests and abilities. Each program is taught by qualified instructors at different Recreation Centers and Fire Stations in the City of Concord. For the most current list of classes, visit our website at [www.concordparksandrec.org](http://www.concordparksandrec.org).

## Classes:

- Arts & Crafts**
- Basketball Tournaments**
- Pool Tournaments**
- Karate**
- Self Defense**
- Quilting**

## Trips:

Enjoy traveling while leaving the driving to us! We offer a variety of one day trips that span from Virginia to South Carolina at a minimal cost. Pre-registration for trips is required.



*Hop on and get ready for a big adventure!*

## Special Events & Festivals:

From festivals in the parks to carnivals held at our recreation centers, there's a festival for everyone.

### Bunny Bash

Spring Festival.  
W.W. Flowe Park.

### Stars in the Park

Summer Movie Series.  
4th Friday in June, July and August.  
James L. Dorton Park.

### Dogs' Day Out

Pet Festival.  
Les Myers Park.

## Special Interest:

### Youth Council

This service-oriented organization is comprised of students selected from Cabarrus County high schools. Members learn leadership skills and responsibility in the form of programs and community service projects available throughout the year. Meetings are held at 7 pm two Monday nights each month during the school year. Participation is based on points earned each semester.

Applications are taken in May for the upcoming school year. Membership is very competitive. Students entering grades 9-11 may submit an application. Members are selected by an interview process with the advisors and Youth Council President.

### Volunteering

Concord Parks & Recreation is always looking for good volunteers. Coaches for the athletic programs are just one area where volunteers are needed. We invite the public to become a part of our Volunteer Program and make a difference in your community. Volunteer opportunities are available upon request. Applications must be completed and processed before volunteering can commence.





# A Parks & Recreation map for identifying facilities, parks and greenway locations.



*What are you waiting for? Let the fun (and games) begin!*

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704.920.5600





## *We're all about You!*

The City of Concord Parks and Recreation Department exists to provide recreation services, parks and facilities that enrich the lives of all residents and promote the opportunity for a healthy lifestyle.

For more information, registrations and the most current offerings, visit:

[www.concordparksandrec.org](http://www.concordparksandrec.org)

or call: **704.920.5600**

Monday – Friday 8 am – 5 pm

Online registration and reservations available.



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