

# Equal Fun For Everyone

WDSRA provides support for individuals with special needs who wish to take part in Park District programs

- Activity Modification
- Disability Awareness Training
- Behavior Management Support
- Sign Language Interpreters
- Observation and Evaluation
  - Adaptive Equipment
  - Support Staff



## What is WDSRA?

The Western DuPage Special Recreation Association is a cooperative extension of our member park districts providing recreational opportunities for individuals with special needs. The agency serves more than 8,000 individuals in more than 1,000 programs, special events and trips each year.



WDSRA is a two-time winner of the National Gold Medal Award and a recipient of the Illinois Distinguished Agency Award

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# INCLUSION SERVICES



Serving the park districts of  
Bloomingdale, Carol Stream, Glen Ellyn,  
Roselle, Naperville, Warrenville,  
West Chicago, Wheaton and Winfield

# Benefits of Inclusion

- Ensures that all residents are given the freedom of CHOICE.



- Provides an opportunity for all residents of a community to learn more about each other and to appreciate individual differences.

- Fosters an increased sense of independence in leisure activities.
- Provides services focused on meeting the needs, interests and abilities of each individual.
- Enhances the quality of life for all involved in the process.



## Here's How the Inclusion Process Works

- Register for the Park District program of your choice.
- Mark the appropriate "special accommodations" section on the registration form.
- Contact a member of the WDSRA Inclusion Team, (630) 681-0962, a minimum of two weeks prior to the program start date.
- The WDSRA Inclusion Team, in cooperation with you or your family member, will discuss any specific needs and make necessary accommodations.
- Start the program with the necessary accommodations in place.
- An inclusion staff member will periodically observe the program to provide support and answer questions.
- Communication between the WDSRA Inclusion Team, the Park District staff and the individual and/or family is continued throughout the cooperative inclusion process.

## Who is Eligible for Inclusion Services?

Any individual who registers for one of our member Park District programs and has a special need is eligible for Inclusion Services.

## What is the Cost?

Inclusion services are provided at no cost through WDSRA and your local Park District. Participants pay the regular program fees to their Park District.



## Staff

Caring, dedicated support staff members are at the heart of a successful inclusion experience. Call the WDSRA Manager of Inclusion if you would like more information on being part of our inclusion staff.