



Western DuPage Special Recreation Association (WDSRA)
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WHAT IS WDSRA?

For those who are not familiar with WDSRA let me tell you a little bit about who we are and what we do. First, WDSRA stands for ---the Western DuPage Special Recreation Association. WDSRA provides engaging, community-based social & recreational programs (both virtual and in-person) and inclusion services for children, teens, and adults with special needs. We offer Special Olympics, adaptive sports, dance and art programs, camps, trips, special events, and everything in between. With all of our programs, there is definitely something for everyone and every interest! And we have programs all year round.

Our goal is to help individuals with special needs grow personally, connect with their community and discover their potential.

WDSRA is a cooperative extension of nine park districts serving the communities of Bloomingdale, Carol Stream, Glen Ellyn, Naperville, Roselle, Warrenville, West Chicago, Wheaton, and Winfield. So if you reside in any of those communities, we are your special recreation association!

You might be thinking just how do we do that with so many types of disabilities?

It's all about our participants. It is important to know that our goal is to provide all individuals with opportunities that allow them to perform at their personal highest level of ability no matter the disability. We recognize the need for flexibility in order to provide the very best environment for each individual. So we base our assistance on a person's ability, their level of function, age, interest, and their personal recreation goals. So accommodations are based on very individual needs...specific to that person. That is the key!

Programs & Services

We think it is really important to meet people where they are comfortable, so we offer:

- virtual programs for those who feel more comfortable engaging from the comfort of their own homes
- in-person programs for those people who are ready to have that in-person experience in their lives again
- and inclusion services are available depending on the status of each particular park district ...at no cost to the resident. So if you prefer, your child can participate in any regular park district class right alongside his/her neighbors and classmates.

You can find more about who we are and our programs on our website at www.wdsra.com. And certainly if you have any questions about anything, you can call us at 630.681.0962.

SENSORY GARDEN PLAYGROUND

Summer Play Days

Saturdays: July 17th, August 21st, September 18th, 10-11am

The Sensory Garden Playground team will be handing out FREE activity bags to the first 50 children from 10-11am at every play day. Each bag contains coloring pages, themed fidgets and craft/activity instructions. Activity stations are not planned for this summer but they will be back next year.

Play Days are held rain or shine. For severe weather updates, check the event status on [Rainout Line](#) through the Wheaton Park District. Located at 2751 Navistar Dr., Lisle. (near the intersection of Naper Blvd. and Navistar Dr.).

Learn more about the Sensory Garden Playground at www.playforalldupage.org.

Special Needs Nights at Centennial Beach

Sundays July 18th & 25th, 6:30 to 8pm

Centennial Beach, Naperville

Special needs nights are returning to Centennial Beach this summer! Thanks to the Naperville Park District for giving for special needs families time to enjoy some quiet, relaxing time at the beach. Those interested can buy individual passes at the door or use their beach membership for admission. No pre-registration is needed.

Details at <https://www.napervilleparks.org/>.

SPECIAL NEEDS SCREENINGS: June Movies

Boss Baby: Family Business (PG)

Saturday 7/17 @ noon

Studio Movie Grill, Wheaton

Parental guidance is always suggested

As a reminder, the SMG sensory friendly Special Needs Screenings present movies with the lights up and the volume low. Moving around, talking, and even dancing in the aisles is welcome. Tickets are free for children with special needs and their siblings. Adult tickets are available at before-noon price at the Box Office only.

Complete details at www.studiomoviegrill.com. Please check the website to confirm dates and showings.

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WDSRA Mission: *The development of individuals through recreation.*

WDSRA Vision: *Opening a world of untapped potential and a lifetime of possibilities.*