

# Adaptive Programming





# ADA Coordinator – Kristen Villalovos

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- The City has designated three (3) ADA Coordinators who address the areas of physical, employment, and program compliance.
- In March of 2023, Kristin Villalovos obtained her certification as ADA Coordinator from the Great Plains ADA Center through the University of Missouri.
- In 2025, Kristen obtained the National Inclusion Project – Inclusive Recreation Certification. In addition, Kristen, Camryn Cardenas and Isaac Tovar obtained the Special Strong Education certification.
- Since that time Kristin has worked with the PARD and the City to evaluate, develop, and make enhancement to various programs to make them more accessible and inclusive to all.

# Current Programming

- Sensory-Friendly Hour – A quieter, calmer time before the main event with reduced noise, lighting, and crowds—designed for individuals with sensory sensitivities and their families.
- Annual Egg-Cessible Egg Hunt
- Sensory Art Classes
- Adaptive Fun Day at the Dow Active Complex
- Inclusive Bike Rodeo
- Adaptive exercise classes
- Rec for All programs





# Rec for All Programming Schedule

## WEEKLY

<b>Boccia Indoors</b>	Thursday   9/11, 18, 25/2025   5-5:30pm
<b>Cornhole</b>	Thursday   9/11, 18, 25/2025   6-6:30pm
<b>Croquet Without Limits</b>	Tuesday   9/2, 9, 16, 23, 30/2025   5:30-6pm
<b>Family Flex</b>	Wednesday   9/3, 10, 17, 24/2025   6-6:30pm
<b>Tabata Adaptive Fitness</b>	Friday   9/5, 12, 19, 26/2025   5:30-6pm
<b>Kettling with Isaac</b>	Monday   9/8, 15, 22, 29/2025   5-5:30pm
<b>Family Flex</b>	Wednesday   10/1, 8, 15, 22, 29/2025   6-6:30pm
<b>Inclusive Innings</b>	Thursday   10/2, 9, 16, 23, 30/2025   5-5:30pm
<b>Aqua together</b>	Friday   10/3, 10, 17, 24, 31/2025   6-6:45pm
<b>Kettling with Isaac</b>	Monday   10/6, 13, 20, 27/2025   5-5:30pm
<b>Croquet Without Limits</b>	Tuesday   10/7, 14, 21, 28/2025   5:30-6pm
<b>Washers</b>	Thursday   10/9, 16, 23, 30/2025   6-6:30pm

## MONTHLY

<b>Loom it Up!</b>	Thursday   9/4/25   5:30pm -6:30pm
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<b>B-I-N-G-O For all</b>	Monday   10/13/25   6-6:45pm
<b>Tie Dye Empowers</b>	Monday   10/20/25   5:30-6:15pm
<b>Bin-tastic Fun!</b>	Friday   10/24/25   5:30-6:15pm

## ONE TIME

<b>Hooked On Diversity</b>	Tuesday   9/8/25   5:30-6:30pm
<b>Space Center Houston</b>	Saturday   9/20/2025   7:30am-12pm
<b>Radiant Dots Houston</b>	Wednesday   9/22/2025   5:30-6:30pm
<b>Sucess on the Spectrum</b>	Saturday   9/27/2025   10:15am-3:30pm
<b>Sensory Friendly Day Health Museum</b>	Saturday   10/4/2025   7:45am-1:15pm
<b>Inclusive Spike - Glow Motion</b>	Monday   10/6/2025   6-7pm
<b>Halloween Carnival</b>	Saturday   10/25/2025   TBD
<b>Sensory Noodle Art</b>	Wednesday   10/27/2025   5:30-6:15pm

# Future Programming and Events

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- Inclusive Grooves Gala, Sept 13 – Dance to create a fun and accessible space for people of all abilities to come together and celebrate. Live performance from the band Skittlez.
- Adaptive Water Aerobics at the DAC
- Merry and Bright Christmas Party





# Accessible vs Inclusive vs Universal

- The City of Deer Park Parks and Recreation Department is working through several challenges to ensure that, when possible, parks and facilities are universally designed to be usable by all people to the greatest extent possible, without the need for adaptation.
- Example: Playground Equipment
  - Accessible – Path leading up to the playground, ramp allowing access into use zone, transition platform.
  - Inclusive – Having poured in place rubber instead of engineered wood fiber and playground is design to allow for a wheel chair to physical be on the playground.
  - Universal – All of the above and the playground includes features for sensory play and additional amenities for individuals with various needs.



# IBCCES Certified Autism Center

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- Offered through the International Board of Credentialing and Continuing Education Standards
- Training – 80% of front facing staff
- On site review – Review of full guest experiences by IBCCES experts
- Commitment to on-going training and support (2-year renewal)
- Seeking Certification at the DAC, Dow Park, Dow Park Pool, Maxwell Adult Center and the Theatre Arts Building



# Questions?

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