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2026 AQUATICS GUIDE

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DEER LAKE BEACH

Deer Lake Beach is a beautiful sandy beach with a wonderful shore line. The beach is located within the Village of Clarkston City limits, between Holcomb and Dixie Hwy. There are swimming areas for the little tykes and the big kids too, including an area with a few simple play toys. SORRY, NO PETS ARE ALLOWED at the beach. Portable toilets are on site, including ADA units. Handicap Parking available. Lifeguards are on duty during operating hours.

For questions about Deer Lake Beach call (248) 625-8223.

Summer Hours

	WEEKDAYS	WEEKENDS & HOLIDAYS
Pre-Season	-	May 23-25, May 30 & 31 11AM-6PM
Full-Season	June 5-August 7 11AM-7PM	June 6-August 9 11AM-7PM
End-Of-Season	August 10-August 21 12PM-5PM	August 15, 16, 22, 23, 29, 30; September 5, 6 & 7 11AM-6PM

Deer Lake Beach will be closed Monday, August 24-Friday, August 28 and Monday, August 31-Friday, September 4.

Hours may be extended during extreme heat conditions. Temperatures must maintain 70 degrees for the Beach to be open. Call (248) 625-1444 for updated facility information during inclement weather.

Daily Swim Passes

Pay at the Beach, cash, card or check. Make checks payable to Independence Township.

	RES.	NON.
Daily Swim Pass	\$5	\$5

Discount Swim Passes:

Pass must be presented for access to the beach. The 10-visit pass will be punched once per person per visit. Season Passes grant unlimited visits to the Beach for the 2026 swim season, limited to persons who reside full time in the household. Names will be required on the pass. Children under the age of 12 MUST be accompanied and directly supervised by an adult over the age of 18. Proof of residency is required when purchasing the pass. Passes are valid from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day 2026. Passes are non-refundable and cannot be replaced if lost or stolen. Purchase Discount Swim Passes starting Monday, May 11 at the Parks, Recreation & Seniors main office (cash, check, credit card) or at Deer Lake Beach during open hours of operation. Questions, call (248) 625-8223.

	RES.	NON.
10 Visit Punch Card	\$40	\$45
Season Pass	\$100	\$140
Resident pricing applies to Independence Twp. and City of the Village residents.		

Deer Lake Boat Launch Information & Rates

Daily Boat Pass Rates:
\$20 per watercraft

Boat Sticker Rates (Includes a key)	
BOAT TYPE	PRICE
Non-Motor Boat	\$40
16 hp and under	\$52
17 hp to 50 hp	\$63
51 hp to 100 hp	\$82
Over 100 hp	\$100
Residents 50+	25% discount

Season Boat Sticker Information:

Boat keys & stickers are available ONLY to Independence Township and the City of the Village of Clarkston residents. A current registration with a MC number for each boat or watercraft must be presented at the time of purchase. The address on the registration must match the address on driver's license/state ID of person purchasing a pass. Boat stickers and keys will only be issued to persons over the age of 18. Only those persons authorized by the State of Michigan to operate a personal watercraft will be allowed to launch. Persons who violate boating rules will have their sticker and key revoked. Boat keys and stickers can be purchased at the Parks, Recreation & Seniors main office (cash, check, credit card), open Monday-Thursday, 7AM-5:30PM. Boat stickers will be valid through Labor Day 2026. Non-residents must purchase a daily boat launch pass.

Call (248) 625-8223 for questions.



Bay Court Beach

6970 Andersonville Road, Clarkston, MI 48346

Located on Greens Lake, this beautiful swimming beach area is perfect for the family. This feature complements the serene park. SORRY, NO PETS ALLOWED on the beach.

There are NO LIFEGUARDS ON DUTY, therefore this is a SWIM AT YOUR OWN RISK beach.

For questions about Bay Court Beach call (248) 625-8223.

SPRAY PARK



Field Trips Available!

Are you looking for fun filled field trip options for your group? Plan your next outing at the Renee Przybylski Memorial Spray Park or the sandy shores of Deer Lake Beach. Call Tim at 248-625-8223 to plan your field trip today!

Renee Przybylski Memorial Spray Park

Built in memory of Renee, one of the best Day Camp Counselors in the history of Independence Township Parks, Recreation & Seniors. The Spray Park opens Memorial Day weekend and closes after Labor Day weekend.

Cost and Hours

	RES.	NON.	AGES 18+
Daily Wristband	\$2	\$4	FREE
Open daily, May 23-September 7 10AM-7PM (weather permitting).			
Resident pricing applies to Independence Twp. residents			

Family Season Spray Park Pass for \$60!

Passes are limited to those who reside in the household. This offer is for those who reside in Independence Township.

All users must check in with the on-site staff to pay and receive a wristband.

Please note, on days where user capacity is at its maximum, users will take turns in 15 minute intervals so everyone gets a chance to use it. Temperatures must maintain 70 degrees for the Spray Park to open. Children under 12 must be supervised by an adult. Also, patrons should be aware that the Clintonwood Park Day Camp will be using the facility during the afternoon hours on weekdays.

YOUTH SWIMMING LESSONS

All classes are held MONDAY through THURSDAY for two consecutive weeks. Make-ups for classes cancelled due to inclement weather will be held on Friday or Saturday.

Session One: June 15-18 & June 22-25
Session Two: July 6-9 & July 13-16
Session Three: July 27-30 & August 3-6
See page 4 for specific age group times.

Registration: Registration for all sessions begins May 11.

Location: All lessons are held at Deer Lake Beach, 350 White Lake Road, just outside of downtown Clarkston. Enroll for one session, or all three!

	RES.	NON.
Water Giggles	\$30	\$35
Tadpoles & Frogs	\$50	\$60
Minnows & Goldfish	\$65	\$75
Level 1 - Advance	\$75	\$85



Our instructors are very personable, great with kids and will make it a great experience for you and your family. Whether you have first-time swimmers or those with years of experience, we have a great summer schedule for you to choose from OR you can register for private lessons!

REFUNDS & TRANSFERS: After the registration deadline, absolutely no refunds or credits will be given. For patron-requested refunds prior to the registration deadline, there will be a \$10 service fee. Refunds will be issued in the form of an Account Credit, check, or your credit card will be credited. No cash refunds will be given. Check refunds will be issued according to Township Finance Department's bill-paying schedule, which may take 4-6 weeks. If the refund is less than \$10, a credit will be posted to your account. **TRANSFERS:** All patron-requested transfers must be done prior to the registration deadline. In addition to any difference in fees, a \$10 administrative fee will be charged to transfer between any activities.

Youth Swimming Lessons: Descriptions

Ages listed for each class are merely suggestions. Parents should select which class is most appropriate for their child based on ability and skill level. Class information below represents what will be taught and the criteria on which swimmers will be evaluated at the end of each swim session. **Choose a session that fits your schedule.**



LEVEL	AGE	DESCRIPTION
Water Giggles	(6-18 mos. with parent)	It's social time for parents and children! Meet other parents and have a fun time with your toddler! We'll play games & sing songs. We'll also cover water adjustment, independent water entry/exit & water safety. Water Giggles classes are held once a week for 3 weeks. June classes meet starting June 11; July starting July 9; August starting July 30. Choose a time: 10AM or 4:30PM
Tadpoles	(18 mos.-3 yrs with parent)	In water independence; Water balance; Bubble blowing; Supported bobbing; Water crawling; Supported front float; Supported back float; Water games; Safety skills; Child CPR
Frogs	(3-4 yrs with parent)	Face in water; Hold breath under water; Supported front and back float; Supported bobbing; Introduce kicking, arm motions; Supported kicking--front and back; Supported arm motions; Experiment with opening eyes underwater; Safety skills; Child CPR
Minnows	(3-4 yrs without parent)	Face under water; Hold breath under water; Blow bubbles with nose; 5 bobs; Experiment with opening eyes underwater; Stomach float; Supported front glide; Back float; Supported back glide; Arm actions & alt kicks; Safety skills
Goldfish	(4-5 yrs without parent)	Experiment with submerging head under water & opening eyes; Blow bubbles with nose; 10 bobs; Stomach & back float; Supported front & back glide; Arm actions & alt kicks; Experiment with basic swimming strokes, underwater swimming and rhythmic breathing; Safety skills
Level 1	(5-6 yr old)	Fully submerge head, 2 seconds; Breath in mouth, blow out nose underwater; Open eyes underwater; Front float and glide; Back float and glide; Flutter kick (front and back); Beginning strokes; Beginning under water swimming; Experiment with rhythmic breathing; Safety skills
Level 2	(7-8 yr old)	Fully submerge head, 3 seconds; Retrieve object with eyes open; Front glide and kick; 10 consecutive bobs; Turning over & around w/strokes; Front crawl 5 yards; Beginning breaststroke; Back crawl 5 yards; Practice rhythmic breathing; Underwater swimming; Deep water exploration; Survival swimming; Safety skills
Level 3	(8-9 yr old)	Retrieve object from bottom in chest deep water; 15 consecutive bobs; Front glide (two body lengths); Back glide (two body lengths); Front crawl 10 yards; Back crawl 10 yards; Elementary Backstroke kick 10 yards, with or without kickboard; Reverse direction, front and back; Safety skills
Level 4	(9-10 yr old)	Deep water bobbing; Rotary breathing in chest deep water; Elementary backstroke 10 yards; Front crawl 25 yards; Back crawl 25 yards; Breaststroke kick 10 yards with or without kickboard; Scissors kick 10 yards with or without kickboard; Swim underwater 2 body lengths; Tread water 2 minutes; Safety skills
Level 5	(10 yrs and up)	Breaststroke 10 yards; Sidestroke 10 yards; Swim under water 3 body lengths; Elementary backstroke 25 yards; Dolphin kick 10 yards; Front crawl 50 yards; Back crawl 50 yards; Tread water 2 minutes; Alternate breathing; Safety skills
Level 6	(11 yrs and up)	Front crawl 100 yards; Back crawl 100 yards; Breaststroke 25 yards; Sidestroke 25 yards; Butterfly 10 yards; Swim underwater 10 yards; Tread water 3 minutes; Surface dives; Safety skills
Level 7	(Passed Level 6)	Swim continuously 500 yards; Front crawl 200 yards; Back crawl 100 yards; Breaststroke 50 yards; Sidestroke 50 yards; Butterfly 25 yards; Swim underwater 15 yards; Tread water 5 minutes; Surface dives; Safety skills
Advanced	(Passed Level 7)	Front crawl 300-400 yards; Back crawl 200-300 yards; Breaststroke 100-200 yards; Sidestroke 100-200 yards; Trudgen crawl 50-100 yards; Over-arm Sidestroke 50-100 yards; Butterfly 50-100 yards; Approach & emergency rescue skills; Tread water 7-9 min.

Youth Swimming Lessons: Dates & Times

**Registration begins
Monday, May 11**

Session One

June 15-18 & June 22-25

Register by Tuesday, June 9 by 5:30PM.

#	CLASS	TIME
1	Tadpoles	11:00-11:30 AM
2	Tadpoles	3:00-3:30PM
3	Tadpoles	6:00-6:30 PM
4	Frogs	11:00-11:30 AM
5	Frogs	3:00-3:30PM
6	Frogs	6:00-6:30 PM
7	Minnows	12:00-12:30 PM
8	Minnows	4:00-4:30 PM
9	Minnows	6:00-6:30 PM
10	Goldfish	11:00-11:30 AM
11	Goldfish	4:00-4:30 PM
12	Goldfish	6:00-6:30 PM
13	Level 1	12:00-12:30 PM
14	Level 1	4:00-4:30 PM
15	Level 1	5:00-5:30 PM
16	Level 1	6:00-6:30 PM
17	Level 2	12:00-12:45 PM
18	Level 2	3:00-3:45 PM
19	Level 2	5:00-5:45 PM
20	Level 2	6:00-6:45 PM
21	Level 3	12:00-12:45 PM
22	Level 3	3:00-3:45 PM
23	Level 3	6:00-6:45 PM
24	Level 4	11:00-11:45 AM
25	Level 4	5:00-5:45 PM
26	Level 5	11:00-11:45 AM
27	Level 5	5:00-5:45 PM
28	Level 6	11:00-11:45 AM
29	Level 6	3:00-3:45 PM
30	Level 7	12:00-12:45 PM
31	Advanced	12:00-12:45 PM

Session Two

July 6-9 & July 13-16

Register by Tuesday, June 30 by 5:30PM.

#	CLASS	TIME
32	Tadpoles	10:15-10:45 AM
33	Tadpoles	5:00-5:30 PM
34	Frogs	10:15-10:45 AM
35	Frogs	5:00-5:30 PM
36	Minnows	12:00-12:30 PM
37	Minnows	3:00-3:30 PM
38	Minnows	4:00-4:30 PM
39	Minnows	5:00-5:30 PM
40	Minnows	6:00-6:30 PM
41	Goldfish	10:15-10:45 AM
42	Goldfish	4:00-4:30 PM
43	Goldfish	5:00-5:30 PM
44	Goldfish	6:00-6:30 PM
45	Level 1	10:15-10:45 AM
46	Level 1	12:00-12:30 PM
47	Level 1	3:00-3:30 PM
48	Level 1	4:00-4:30 PM
49	Level 1	6:00-6:30 PM
50	Level 2	11:00-11:45 AM
51	Level 2	12:00-12:45 PM
52	Level 2	3:00-3:45 PM
53	Level 2	4:00-4:45 PM
54	Level 2	5:00-5:45 PM
55	Level 3	11:00-11:45 AM
56	Level 3	3:00-3:45 PM
57	Level 3	4:00-4:45 PM
58	Level 3	6:00-6:45 PM
59	Level 4	11:00-11:45 AM
60	Level 4	4:00-4:45 PM
61	Level 4	6:00-6:45 PM
62	Level 5	12:00-12:45 PM
63	Level 5	3:00-3:45 PM
64	Level 5	5:00-5:45 PM
65	Level 6	3:00-3:45 PM
66	Level 6	5:00-5:45 PM
67	Level 7	12:00-12:45 PM
68	Level 7	6:00-6:45 PM
69	Advanced	12:00-12:45 PM
70	Advanced	6:00-6:45 PM

Session Three

July 27-30 & August 3-6

Register by Tuesday, July 21 by 5:30PM.

#	CLASS	TIME
71	Tadpoles	10:15-10:45 AM
72	Tadpoles	5:00-5:30 PM
73	Frogs	10:15-10:45 AM
74	Frogs	5:00-5:30 PM
75	Minnows	12:00-12:30 PM
76	Minnows	3:00-3:30 PM
77	Minnows	4:00-4:30 PM
78	Minnows	5:00-5:30 PM
79	Minnows	6:00-6:30 PM
80	Goldfish	10:15-10:45 AM
81	Goldfish	12:00-12:30 PM
82	Goldfish	4:00-4:30 PM
83	Goldfish	6:00-6:30 PM
84	Level 1	12:00-12:30 PM
85	Level 1	3:00-3:30 PM
86	Level 1	4:00-4:30 PM
87	Level 1	5:00-5:30 PM
88	Level 1	6:00-6:30 PM
89	Level 2	11:00-11:45 AM
90	Level 2	3:00-3:45 PM
91	Level 2	4:00-4:45 PM
92	Level 2	5:00-5:45 PM
93	Level 2	6:00-6:45 PM
94	Level 3	11:00-11:45 AM
95	Level 3	3:00-3:45 PM
96	Level 3	4:00-4:45 PM
97	Level 3	6:00-6:45 PM
98	Level 4	12:00-12:45 PM
99	Level 4	4:00-4:45 PM
100	Level 4	6:00-6:45 PM
101	Level 5	12:00-12:45 PM
102	Level 5	3:00-3:45 PM
103	Level 5	5:00-5:45 PM
104	Level 6	3:00-3:45 PM
105	Level 6	5:00-5:45 PM
106	Level 7	12:00-12:45 PM
107	Level 7	6:00-6:45 PM
108	Advanced	12:00-12:45 PM
109	Advanced	6:00-6:45 PM



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PRIVATE SWIM LESSONS

Private lessons will follow the same plan as group swimming lessons, but will be tailored to student need. Call and talk to the Swim Lesson Director.

The swim instructors at ITPRS are offering private/semi-private swimming lessons!

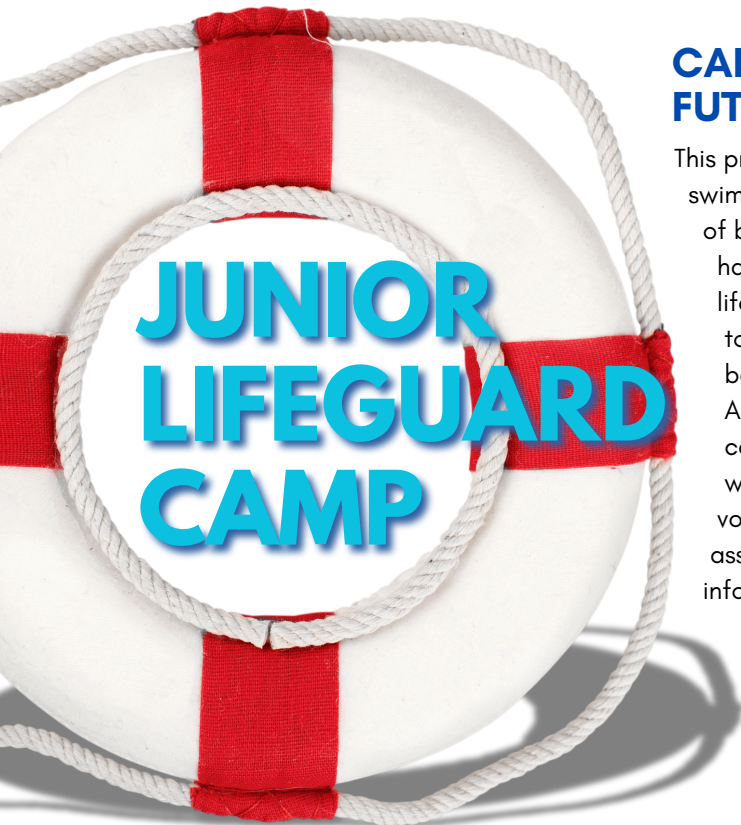
This is a great option for swimmers who:

- Want to work more on their skills learned in group lessons
- Learn best in an individualized setting
- Can't attend a full two-week session

Staff will work with you to schedule a date/time, but private/semi-private lessons are not offered during the weeks of our regular swim lessons.

Private swim lessons can be for any level offered except for Water Giggles. Feel free to request a specific instructor. Must register by 5:30PM the Tuesday prior to the week of intended lessons.

PRIVATE	SEMI-PRIVATE (2 STUDENTS/1 INSTRUCTOR)
\$30/30 minutes	\$40/30 minutes
Must register by 5:30PM the Tuesday prior to week of intended lessons.	



CALLING ALL FUTURE LIFEGUARDS!

This program teaches strong swimmers the ins and outs of being a lifeguard. This hands-on course will teach: lifesaving techniques, how to be a stronger swimmer, basic first aid and CPR. After completing the course, participants will have the option to volunteer at the Beach and assist a Swim Instructor with a swim lesson. See registration information below. Registration deadline is June 30, 5:30PM.



Monday-Thursday, July 6-9			
GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
*AGES 14+	11:30AM-1:30PM	\$55	\$65
* or those who have completed Advanced lessons			

SOGGY DOGGY

SATURDAY

MAY 16

10AM - 12PM

TUESDAY

& August 25

5PM - 7PM



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BAY COURT BEACH

Grab the leash and head to the beach for a dog-friendly day! Typically, our four legged companions are not permitted on the beach, but on this special occasion, you can bring your pup out to the beach to swim, play fetch and socialize with all their canine friends!

Please be aware that this beach is not enclosed. Owners are responsible for supervising their dogs at all times and ensuring they remain safely within the designated area. ITPRS cannot assume responsibility for dogs that may run off, and owners will be liable for any damages their pets may cause.

\$5 PER DOG

*Copies of vaccination records must be provided

Pre Registration Required

Swim Lesson Registration 3 Easy Ways

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

- All registrations are taken on a first come, first served basis and will not be accepted onsite at a class/program.
- If space still exists and registering after the registration deadline, a \$10 late fee will apply.
- See our Refund and Transfer policy on page 3 of this Guide.

Hours of Operation

M-TH 7AM-5:30PM

Walk In to our office and our friendly staff will be happy to assist you! We are located in the Township Offices at 6483 Waldon Center Drive, in the lower level.

Phone In Please give us a call at the office (248) 625-8223 and we will be more than happy to get your little ones signed up for a session or two!

Online You MUST have an account set-up with us. To register online, go to www.indtwp.com and click on departments, then click on Parks, Recreation & Seniors. Once on our page, click on the Register Now! button.

VISA/ MC/ DISCOVER/ AMEX accepted at the Parks, Recreation & Seniors offices only.

A 3.25% processing fee is applied to all credit card transactions and 1% + \$0.50 for all e-check/ACH payments.

SPLASH INTO SUMMER AT DEER LAKE BEACH!

School is finally out for summer vacation! What better way to celebrate than with some fun in the sun! Come to Deer Lake Beach after school for games, food, giveaways and swimming! Kids under 12 must be supervised by a parent or guardian. Overflow parking available at Depot Park.

June 5, 3-8PM

Splash into Summer!

Deer Lake Beach
350 White Lake Rd.

Free Entry!
Pizza & drinks
sold onsite.



Swimming, Inflatables
Sand Castle Contest
& Beach Games!



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