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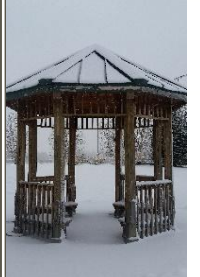
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Proposed Recreation Center Snapshot

In early 2021, the District assembled a group of residents to develop a vision for a community recreation center as a part of the larger Casey Jones Park master plan process. The concept included:

- Over 11,000 sq. feet of aquatics space, including leisure pool, lap pool, lazy river, water slides, and hot tub
- 12,487 sq. feet of gym space with walking / running track
- Childcare space
- Cardio / Weight / Fitness space
- Program / Meeting room
- Locker rooms
- Admin / office space
- Mechanical / Storage space

The District Board of Directors intends to ask voters to approve funding for the proposed recreation center this coming November. Visit the District website at www.elizabethpr.com to keep up to date on rec center news and watch for further information in newsletters.

The Many Benefits of a Community Recreation Center

A community recreation center has the potential to improve the quality of life for residents more than almost any other public amenity. Throughout Colorado, including many small rural areas, recreation centers commonly serve as a vital community hub where residents gather to play, learn new leisure skills, pursue improved personal health and fitness, socialize, swim, and access needed family services such as childcare. Recreation centers allow residents the opportunity to stay local for pursuits such as sports or swimming that they would otherwise need to seek out in neighboring communities.

Recreation centers appeal to many population groups for a variety of reasons. For families with children, a rec center offers essential services such as swim lessons, childcare, and year-round indoor play opportunities. For seniors in a rural community, a rec center can truly be life changing. It presents opportunities for needed social engagement and a space to pursue physical activity. For local teenagers, a recreation center provides a safe place to be and hang out after school or on a Saturday night when there are such limited other options that are available in Elizabeth. For adults, a recreation center provides aquatics and fitness opportunities as well as spaces for adult athletics.

Recreation centers also help support the local economy and create new job opportunities. Through staying local for recreation pursuits, residents will increase local purchasing. A recreation center also requires a diverse team of staff including professional positions such as an Aquatics Manager, and numerous part-time positions such as lifeguards, program instructors, custodial staff, and front desk staff.

A rec center will truly enhance the lives of so many residents, and we hope that you are open to seeing the benefits it could bring to our community.

Program Updates

Spring Break Day Camp

Need childcare during spring break? Registration is now open for our Spring Break Camps at Running Creek and Singing Hills Elementary Schools. Cost is \$55/day.

Register at www.elizabethpr.com

Youth Volleyball

Registration for youth volleyball continues through February 16th. This program offers two age divisions: 6-8 & 8-10, with all practices and games held within the Elizabeth community. Season begins March 14th and ends April 25th. Cost is \$75 / child.

Horseback Riding Classes

Join EPR and Connections through Horses for this new equestrian programming designed to introduce youth to horseback riding. Youth will learn about caring for a horse as well as saddling and riding. Registration is open to youth between the ages of 6-14. Classes begin April 4th and continue through April 25th on Saturdays from 4 – 5:15pm, or 5:15 – 6:30pm. All activities will be held at the riding arena in Casey Jones Park. Cost is \$300 per participant. Horses and all supplies are provided. Call the Park Office at 303.646.3599 for more info or register at www.elizabethpr.com

Youth Spring Soccer

Registration for spring soccer ends February 16th. This program serves youth between the ages of 4-12, with all practices and games held within the Elizabeth community. Volunteer coaches are needed. 8-game season begins March 22nd and ends with a tournament on May 10th. EPR has partnered with Major League Soccer for 2026 and is excited to offer this new program format. All players will now receive MLS logoed jerseys and coaches will receive practice plans and resources to help improve the quality of the program. Cost is \$100 / child. Register at www.elizabethpr.com



Support Local Parks and Programs through Sponsorship

Youth Sports Program Sponsorships

This sponsorship helps support local youth sports programming and includes the right to display a 3X5 banner on one of our baseball fields at Casey Jones or Evans Park for one year. Banners can list the name of the sponsor and include logo / messaging. The sponsorship cost is \$225 and includes the initial cost of banners.

Fans of the Field

Sponsorship includes the right to display a banner (up to 40 square feet) on the outfield fence of the new artificial turf field in Casey Jones Park (The Nest). Banners can list the name of the sponsor and include logo / messaging. Banners will be displayed for one year from the date sponsorship is purchased. The cost for Fans of the Field Sponsorship is \$500 and includes the initial cost of banners.

Memorial Bench Sponsorships

This sponsorship helps support the enhancement of park spaces by adding a needed amenity for visitors to enjoy during their visit to the park. Your business or loved one will be recognized for years through the purchase of a Memorial Bench Sponsorship. The bench will be engraved with your personal message before being installed in a mutually agreed upon park location. Sponsorship cost is \$1700 and includes the bench, engraving, installation, and regular maintenance.

Casey Jones Park Digital Display Board
Get your message out to the community on the District's digital sign at the intersection of Highway 86 and County Road 17 in 2025. Be seen by hundreds of passersby daily that have come to trust the digital display board for vital community information. Give us a call today at 303.646.3599 and let's get your message up there for all to see.



To review all sponsorship opportunities available, visit our website at www.elizabethpr.com and scroll to the bottom of the page to select "Our Sponsors" or call us at 303.646.3599.