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Park Facilities and Venues Operating Schedule Begins to Return to Normal

The Houston Parks and Recreation Department staff is working to restore facilities and services within the park system for the public's use. Here's the latest list of openings:

- **Golf Courses**
 - ❖ Memorial Park Golf Course
 - ❖ Glenbrook Park Golf Course
 - ❖ Sharpstown Park Golf Course
 - ❖ Hermann Park Golf Course (operated by BSL for HPARD)
- **Hermann Park**
 - ❖ The Houston Zoo
 - ❖ The McGovern Centennial Gardens & Cheri Flores Garden Pavilion
 - ❖ The Houston Museum of Natural Science
 - ❖ The Lake Plaza area including the cafe and plaza food concessions, Hermann Park mini- train and pedal boats
 - ❖ The Japanese Garden
- **Memorial Park**
 - ❖ Becks Prime
 - ❖ Running Trails
 - ❖ Cullen Running Trails Center
 - ❖ Memorial Park Picnic Loop
- **Community Centers & Gyms**
 - ❖ All Community Centers, except for Kendall Community Center, and gymnasiums are open as per regular schedule.
- **Tennis Centers**
 - ❖ Homer Ford Tennis Center
 - ❖ Memorial Park Tennis Center
 - ❖ Lee LeClear Tennis Center – Courts are playable; but, there is limited access to the Lee LeClear Club House
- **After School Meal Program**
 - ❖ Approximately 52 Community Center locations will provide after-school meal service. Please note: Kendall Community Center and River Oaks Community Center are not After School Meal Program sites.
- **Lee & Joe Jmail Skatepark**
 - ❖ Is open per regular schedule

The following programs and/or facilities will be closed due to continued assessment and cleanup needs.

- **Adult Sports and Ballfields** - Fields are evaluated and open based on field condition. Ballfield lights will not be turned on until the fields have been released for permitting. Please note that although some fields appear to be playable, there may be other issues like damaged lights. Contact 832-394-8805 or 832-394-8804 if you have any questions.
- **Cullen Park** – All permits have been cancelled through October 31, 2017 as sports fields and permitting areas are under water.
- **Kendall Community Center** – is closed until further notice.
- **Lake Houston Wilderness Park** – is closed until further notice.
- **Memorial Park Southside bike trails** - temporarily closed due to wet conditions. Call the Trail Hotline for up-to-date information on trails open and closed states 713-863-8403 extension 1.

The Houston Parks and Recreation Department (H.P.A.R.D.) stewards and manages over 37,851 acres of parkland and greenspace for the City of Houston and develops and implements recreational programming for citizens of all abilities. For more information on the Houston Parks and Recreation Department, call (832) 395-7022 or visit www.houstonparks.org.