

SOAR Summer 2026

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What is SOAR?

SOAR is a community therapeutic recreation program serving individuals ages four through lifespan whose leisure needs are not met by traditional recreational programs. Leisure, social, and developmental skills are emphasized to help individuals achieve their highest potential through a wide variety of recreational programs. These programs include Cultural Arts, Special Olympics, Sports & Fitness, Special Interest, Special Events, and Youth.

SOAR is jointly supported by the City of Bloomington and Town of Normal Parks & Recreation Departments.



A Big Thank You to Our Team!

Our programs thrive because of the amazing staff and volunteers who work directly with our individuals. Your patience, kindness, and dedication to making every experience meaningful truly shine through. Whether it's helping with activities, offering support, or simply sharing a smile, you create a positive and inclusive environment that makes a real difference in the lives of those we serve. We couldn't do this without you, and we are incredibly grateful for all you do!



Mission Statement

The SOAR program exists to maintain and enhance the quality of life for individuals with disabilities through comprehensive, specialized recreational programs, activities, and special events.

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FACILITY DIRECTORY

The Den at Fox Creek Golf Course

3002 Fox Creek Rd.
Bloomington, IL 61701

The Corn Crib

1000 W. Raab Rd.
Normal, IL 61761

Fairview Tennis Courts

801 N. Main St.
Normal, IL 61761

Golden Ticket Cinemas

415 Detroit Dr.
Bloomington, IL 61704

Government Center/ The Hub

115 E. Washington St.
Bloomington, IL 61701

Hike Haven

1310 Hike Haven Ct.
Bloomington, IL 61701

Holiday Pool

800 McGregor St.
Bloomington, IL 61701

Illinois State University

180 N. Adelaide St.
Normal, IL 61761

Illinois Wesleyan Shirk Center

302 E. Emerson St.
Bloomington, IL 61701
Illinois Wesleyan Tennis Courts

Lincoln Leisure Center

1206 S. Lee St.
Bloomington, IL 61701

Miller Park Pavilion

1122 S. Morris Ave.
Bloomington, IL 61701

Miller Park Zoo

1020 S. Morris Ave.
Bloomington, IL 61701

O'Neil Aquatics Center

1515 W. Chestnut St.
Bloomington, IL 61701

O'Neil Park

Softball Field

1515 W. Chestnut St.
Bloomington, IL 61701

Pheasant Lanes

804 N. Hershey Rd.
Bloomington, IL 61704

Prairie Vista Golf Course

502 W. Hamilton Rd.
Bloomington, IL 61704
Union Park

Union Park

1750 General Electric Rd.
Bloomington, IL 61704

University High School

601 Gregory St.
Normal, IL 61790

Weibring Golf Course

800 Gregory St.
Normal, IL 61761

White Oak Park

1514 Cottage Ave.
Bloomington, IL 61701

Withers Park

204 E. Washington St.
Bloomington, IL 61701



REGISTRATION & TRANSPORTATION

Registration Information

If you have any questions about registration, never hesitate to reach out! SOAR is always happy to help and ensure the process is as smooth as possible. We're here to support you every step of the way.

Online:

Visit BloomingtonParks.org

In the top right-hand corner, hover over "Register"

- A dropdown will appear
- Select Programs & Activities

Mail/In Person:

The Hub

115 E. Washington St., Suite 103

Bloomington, IL 61701

Online registration begins at **7:00AM on April 30.**

In-person registration will take place at The Hub starting at **8:00AM on April 30.** The registration deadline for all programs is one week prior to the start date of the program if openings are available.

Payment Plan

Full payment of program fees should be included with the registration form. However, payment plans may be arranged for those individuals who need to split their payment.

Payment in full must be received by SOAR before programs begin. Payments for special events must be paid in full at the time of registration.

Fee Assistance

Partial financial assistance is available for those who need it in order to pay the program registration fees. Those requesting assistance need to fill out a Fee Assistance Application (contact SOAR for a form) and submit it to a SOAR Program Manager, along with a completed registration form. Fee assistance will apply to new enrollment and cannot be applied to activities/programs already paid for. Fee assistance is not provided for bowling fees or special events with contractual or admission costs.

Credit/Refund Procedures

A full credit or refund will be issued if a program is canceled by SOAR.

To be eligible for a requested refund, the request must be received no less than five (5) full business days prior to the start of the program.

A refund minus a \$5 service charge will be issued to participants withdrawing from a program.

A pro-rated refund may be given if a program is deemed inappropriate for an individual.



Transportation

Transportation is available for some SOAR programs on a first-come, first-served basis for Bloomington and Normal residents who have no other way to attend programs. Individuals needing to use door-to-door transportation services from SOAR must apply for this service separately for each program/event that it is available for. Applications for transportation services are available by contacting Taylor Burlingame at tburlingame@cityblm.org or by calling the office at (309) 434-2260.

Check out our Website!

BloomingtonParks.org/SOAR

Follow us on Facebook!

[Facebook.com/cityblmSOAR](https://www.facebook.com/cityblmSOAR)



PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

Head of Household Contact:

Today's Date: _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Street Address: _____ City: _____

State/Zip Code: _____ Home Phone#: _____ CellPhone #: _____

Email Address: _____ Gender: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Medical Alert Information (Allergies, etc.): _____

Emergency Contact First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Relation: _____ Phone Number: _____

Check here if you are a previous customer.

Check here if you would like us to create your account.

The information in this section is REQUIRED to create an account for each family member at the same residence.

Default emergency contact will be the person listed above. Email above will be used for all additional members on the account.

Name (First & Last): _____ Gender: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Medical Alert Info: _____

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WAIVER & RELEASE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

- I give my permission for pictures to be taken of the participant to be used by SOAR/Parks & Recreation for the purpose of promotion and education.
- I give my permission for the participant to receive transportation in vehicles owned or rented by SOAR/Parks & Recreation for use in programs and special events.
- I understand that Bloomington Parks & Recreation/SOAR does not carry medical insurance and assumes no liability for personal injuries or loss of personal property while attending department activities. A participant's own policy must cover any medical costs incurred.
- I understand that to be eligible for a refund or credit to the account, the request must be received no less than five (5) full business days prior to the start of the program. A \$5 service charge will be assessed per participant, per activity on any refund. No refunds for programs costing \$5 or less. Refer to the program guide for more information about illness/injury related requests.

By signing, I acknowledge that I understand and agree to the information above:

Signature of participant and/or legal guardian: _____ Date: _____
(participant needs to sign if own legal guardian)

Please turn page over to complete program registration information ----->

IDENTIFYING PROGRAM BENEFITS

Active



Programs marked with this icon are considered to be active in nature. These programs are beneficial to a healthy lifestyle through physical activities. These programs are recommended for individuals who seek to improve their overall health by promoting an active lifestyle through exercise.

Creativity



Programs marked with this icon allow individuals to express their creativity through a variety of outlets. These programs are recommended for individuals who are interested in learning about new creative opportunities in a space that will give them a chance to show off their creative talents.

Education



Programs marked with this icon are designed to educate individuals on various topics. These programs are recommended for those looking to learn in a recreational setting.

Independence



Programs marked with this icon are used to promote independence while still providing a structured and safe environment. These programs are recommended for individuals who are looking to increase their independence around the house, as well as out in the community.

Motor Skills Development



Programs marked with this icon promote the development of motor skills. These programs are recommended for individuals who can benefit from continued development and strengthening of motor skills while participating in recreational activities.

Sensory Exploration



Programs marked with this icon are specifically designed for engaging the senses. These programs are recommended for individuals seeking sensory exploration through ways of exploring, discovering, problem-solving, and creativity.

Social Skills Development



Programs marked with this icon are used to promote social skills development through activities with their peers. These programs are recommended for individuals interested in growing social skills out in the community.

Special Olympics



Programs marked with this icon are associated with Special Olympics. These programs are recommended for individuals who are interested in playing sports at a competitive level.



Program Legend



Door-to-Door Transportation



Participant will need to bring money to the program

Example Program



Ages 14+

Program description helps you understand the program's focus. This program's icons indicate that it promotes **Creativity** and **Sensory Exploration**.
Min 6; Max 12

SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Special Olympics Center of Excellence (COE)

Special Olympics is now going to an online system in tracking athletes and their medical needs. Athletes will need to have an online account with Center of Excellence (COE) as well as have the following two forms complete and up-to-date: Athlete Acknowledgment Form, and Health History & Release Form.

Form Deadlines

Bowling: June 30

Volleyball: July 25

Bocce: August 14

Special Olympics Bowling



Ages 8+

Ready to roll? This Special Olympics bowling program is perfect for bowlers of all levels, from beginners to seasoned pros. We'll cover the fundamentals, including stance, approach, delivery, and release, and even teach you the rules and etiquette of the game. You'll bowl two games each week and Pheasant Lanes provides bowling balls and shoes for those who need them. Just a heads up: we bowl without bumpers!

Bowlers who complete the program and bowl at least 15 games with SOAR may qualify for the Region G Special Olympics Bowling Tournament.

Participants who do not want to train and compete may also register for this program and bowl in a recreational capacity. You will NOT need an online athlete account through Center of Excellence if you are bowling recreationally.

Please remember that bowling STARTS at 10:00AM or 4:00PM, with warm-ups at 9:50AM or 3:50PM. YOU should be there by warm-up time! No one will be added to games that have already started. Be prepared to wait for the second game to start if you arrive late.

Min 6; Max 40 per session

Location: Pheasant Lanes

Day	Time	Date	Fee
M	10:00-11:00AM	6/8-8/24	\$96 (Pheasant Lanes); \$15 (SOAR)
M	4:00-5:00PM	6/8-8/24	\$96 (Pheasant Lanes); \$15 (SOAR)



Special Olympics Bocce



Ages 10+

Get ready to roll! Athletes will learn, practice, and prepare to compete in singles, doubles and team bocce – either traditional or unified. Athletes and partners who complete the training requirements will head to the Regional Bocce Competition on Saturday, October 3 in Mattoon. Those who receive gold at the Region Tournament will advance to the State Tournament.

Min 6; Max 8 (Traditional); Min 6; Max 16 (Unified)

Location: O'Neil Park, Softball Field

Levels	Day	Time	Date	Fee
Traditional	W	5:30-6:30PM	8/12-9/30	\$45
Unified	W	5:30-6:30PM	8/12-9/30	\$45



Special Olympics Cookout Celebration



All athletes, their families and anyone who wants to help recognize SOAR athletes!

Celebrate the accomplishments of SOAR's Special Olympics athletes for the first half of this year (January-June). SOAR will provide a light cookout-style dinner. After we enjoy dinner, a brief program honoring athletes who have participated in the following sports will conclude the evening: snowshoeing, basketball, swimming, track, soccer, and powerlifting.

No limit, but you MUST pre-register!

Location: Hike Haven

Date: Friday, July 10

Time: 6:00-7:30PM

Fee: \$6/person



Special Olympics Volleyball



Ages 12+

Get ready to bump, set, and spike! We offer three levels of volleyball: Modified, Traditional, and Unified. To ensure everyone's placed in the perfect spot, we'll hold a Volleyball Assessment Night on Thursday, July 23.

Special Olympics Modified Volleyball

Our Modified Volleyball program is designed for individuals with basic motor and cognitive skills who are ready to learn team play. We utilize a smaller court and a "trainer" ball, and the rules are modified to facilitate learning.

Special Olympics Traditional Volleyball

Individuals with basic motor and cognitive skills appropriate for volleyball match play and competition are eligible for this program. Athletes should have previous volleyball experience and may need to be at a higher level of play for this program.

Special Olympics Unified Volleyball

Individuals with basic motor and cognitive skills appropriate for volleyball match play and competition are eligible for this program. Athletes should have previous volleyball experience and may need to be at a higher level of play for this program. This program will team Special Olympics athletes and athletes without intellectual disabilities.

Unified Partners: The goal of this program is to provide an opportunity for athletes to grow and develop from peer encouragement at practice and during competitions.

Min 6; Max 10 per team

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Levels	Day	Time	Date	Fee
Modified	T	5:30-7:00PM	7/28-9/15	\$45
Traditional	T	7:00-8:30PM	7/28-9/15	\$45
Unified	TH	5:30-7:00PM	7/30-9/17	\$45
Unified	TH	7:00-8:30PM	7/30-9/17	\$45





Special Olympics Illinois

2026 SPECIAL OLYMPICS COMPETITION DATES

June 12-14

Summer Games
Bloomington-Normal

August 15-16

State Tennis
Bloomington

October 3

Regional Bocce Tournament
Mattoon

June 28

Region G Tennis Qualifier
Bloomington

September 12-13

State Softball
Springfield

October 17-18

State Fall Games (Volleyball)
Rockford

July 25

Region Softball Tournament
Springfield

September 12-13

State Golf
Forsyth/Decatur

November 17-18

State Bocce Tournament
Springfield

July 31

Region Golf Tournament
Edwardsville

September 20

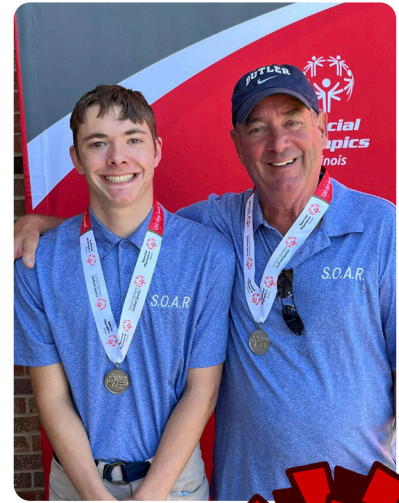
Regional Volleyball Tournament
Springfield

December 6

State Bowling
Fairview Heights



TEAMWORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK!



SPORTS & FITNESS

Martial Arts Water Aerobics Kickboxing



Ages 16+

This summer, we are bringing our martial arts training into the pool at the O'Neil Aquatics Center. Learn to punch, kick, knee, and elbow using the water as a resistance tool. We will work on balance and coordination while having fun cooling under the summer sun.

Min 4; Max 10

Location: O'Neil Aquatics Center

Day: Mondays

Dates: 6/8-7/27 (NOT 6/29)

Time: 9:45-10:30AM

Fee: \$30



Swim Lessons



Ages 10+

SOAR is excited to provide swim lessons again this summer! Lessons will be conducted in a small group setting with a 1:2 staff ratio. Instructors for this class will work with you at your own individual level.

Min 2; Max 4 per session

Location: Holiday Pool

Levels	Day	Time	*Date	Fee
All	M	5:30-6:00PM	6/8-7/20	\$48
All	M	6:10-6:40PM	6/8-7/20	\$48
			*not 6/29	



Cardio Fitness



Ages 12+

Join our fun and energizing fitness program designed to help you improve your cardiovascular health and overall well-being. With a variety of exercises, you'll have the opportunity to get your heart pumping and connect with others. This program is tailored to all fitness levels, so there's a place for everyone!

Min 6; Max 12

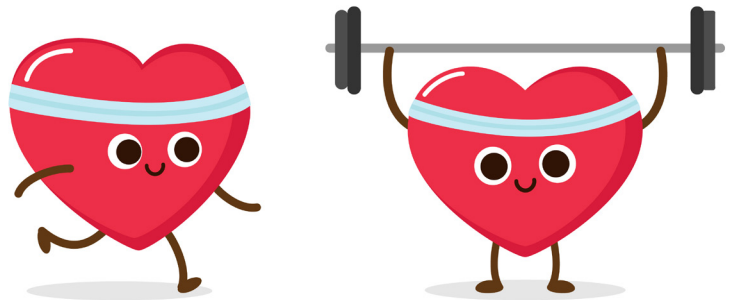
Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Day: Mondays

Dates: 6/8-7/20

Time: 6:00-7:00PM

Fee: \$21



Yoga and Grooves



Ages 12+

This class is the perfect blend of mindful movement and energetic fun! We will have a mix of calming yoga exercises as well as some easy-to-follow dance routines. Come and enjoy the best of both worlds: peace and party, all in one incredible workout.

Min 6; Max 12

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Day: Mondays

Dates: 6/8-7/20

Time: 7:10-8:10PM

Fee: \$21



Seat to SOAR



Ages 12+

Want to get moving and feel great? Join our leisure walking/running group! Walk and/or jog at your own pace while enjoying the fresh air with your friends! This program is great for anyone wanting low-impact and leisure exercise. Let's get moving together!

Min 6; Max 12

Location: Miller Park Pavilion, Lower Level

Day: Tuesdays

Dates: 6/9-7/21

Time: 5:30-6:30PM

Fee: \$28

Open Pickleball



Ages 12+

Let's play pickleball! Come join us for some casual doubles games. It's a great way to get some exercise, meet new people, and have fun. Loaner equipment is available, and unified partners are always welcome! We'll offer minimal instruction, so you can focus on playing and enjoying the game.

Min 4; Max 10

Location: TBD

Day: Thursdays

Dates: 6/11-7/16

Time: 5:30-6:30PM

Fee: \$18 (or \$3/drop-in)

Bags in the Park



Ages 14+

Some people call it bags, others call it corn hole. No matter what you call it, it's a lot of fun! We will spend our time learning how to and playing bags. Come and join the fun!

Min 6; Max 12

Location: Front Lawn of Miller Park Pavilion

Day: Mondays

Date: 8/3-8/24

Time: 5:30-6:30PM

Fee: \$12



REGISTER EARLY!

**PROGRAMS FILL
UP QUICKLY!**



YOUTH PROGRAMS

SOAR for Starters

Ages 4-7

Perfect for our youngest SOAR participants, this program offers a fun introduction to all the activities SOAR has to offer. A variety of activities, including games, music, dance, fitness, crafts, and social activities, will be provided. Be sure to wear clothes you can be active in and don't mind getting a little messy!

Min 4; Max 8

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Day: Mondays

Dates: 6/8-7/13

Time: 1:00-2:00PM

Fee: \$25



Make Some Art!

Ages 8-21

Get creative and have fun! This is a hands-on program where participants get the chance to make some fun and summery art creations alongside their friends. Come ready to create and be sure to wear clothes that can get messy!

Min 6; Max 12

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Day: Tuesdays

Dates: 6/9-7/14

Time: 1:00-2:30PM

Fee: \$36



Make Some Music!

Ages 8-21

Participants will dive into the joy of making music through movement, songwriting, hands-on instruments, group jams, relaxation activities, and more! This upbeat, interactive program celebrates everyone's strengths while offering the support they need. Along the way, participants will build communication skills, focus, friendships, and peer connections—all while laughing, playing, and having a blast making music together.

Min 6; Max 12

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Day: Tuesdays

Dates: 6/2-7/7

Time: 3:00-4:00PM

Fee: \$52



Explore with SOAR

Ages 8-21

Spend time each week exploring and playing at your own pace! This activity offers a little bit of everything: crafts, puzzles, board games, gym activities, sensory play, and a variety of fun toys to try out. This program is all about free choice, creativity, and fun with friends!

Min 6; Max 12

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Day: Tuesdays

Dates: 6/9-7/14

Times: 3:00-4:00PM

Fee: \$28

Explore Outdoors

Ages 8-21

Beat the heat and start your day the fun way by joining us each week for adventures at local parks and splash pads in Bloomington and Normal. During this program, we will take walks, play outdoor games, and spend most of our time enjoying local splash pads. We'll keep you refreshed with water and a light snack - just bring your energy and get ready to play!

Min 6; Max 12

Location: Various Parks Each Week

Day: Wednesdays

Dates: 6/10-7/15

Time: 9:00-11:00AM

Fee: \$36





ZOO EDUCATION

Jeepers, Keepers!



Ages 15-25

In this program, we'll learn how the Zookeepers do all their jobs and how they take care of animals.

Min 4; Max 8

Location: Miller Park Zoo

Day: Thursday and Friday

Dates: 5/28 and 5/29

Time: 1:00-4:00PM

Fee: \$40



ZOOper Fridays



Ages 22+

Calling all animal lovers! Each month, we'll meet at the zoo to learn about a specific animal. A zoo education session will also include time to visit the animal's habitat inside the zoo. Wear your walking shoes and dress appropriately for the weather.

Min 4; Max 10

Location: Miller Park Zoo

Day: Fridays

Dates: 6/5, 7/10 & 8/7

Time: 1:00-2:30PM

Fee: \$36



MILLER PARK ZOO

EST. 1891

COOKING

Summer Bites



Ages 14+

Join us for a hands-on cooking program where participants get to mix, chop, and create tasty treats! Each week features a new theme—from sweet snacks to savory bites—focused on fun, small recipes rather than full meals. Everyone will learn kitchen skills, try new recipes, and enjoy the delicious results together!

Min 6; Max 12

Location: Miller Park Pavilion, Lower Level

Day: Thursdays

Dates: 6/11-7/16

Time: 6:00-7:30PM

Fee: \$48



Lunch Bunch



Ages 22+

Come cook a yummy lunch with friends. In this program, we will chop, dice, slice, and mix our way to a delicious lunch. Everyone will help prepare the meal and work together to clean up. Come hungry because a full meal will be prepared.

Min 6; Max 12

Location: Miller Park Pavilion, Lower Level

Day: Mondays

Dates: 8/3-8/24

Time: 11:30AM-1:00PM

Fee: \$36



CULTURAL ARTS

Lunchtime Concerts



Ages 22+

Enjoy lunch outdoors this summer! Each week, bring your own lunch and join us for a relaxing picnic in the park, accompanied by live music from a local band. Be sure to wear sunscreen and dress appropriately for the weather. Since seating is limited, each participant should bring their own lawn chair. SOAR will provide a dessert each week.

Min 6; Max 12

Location: Withers Park

Day: Wednesdays

Dates: 6/3-6/24

Time: 11:00AM-1:00PM

Fee: \$10



Beach Crafts



Ages 14+

Bring the beach vibes to you! Join us as we create coastal-inspired crafts that add a splash of the ocean to your home. From seashell accents to sandy textures, these fun projects are sure to make waves and bring a little summer sunshine to your day.

Min 6; Max 14

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Day: Mondays

Dates: 6/8-6/29

Time: 6:00-7:00PM

Fee: \$20



4th of July Crafts



Ages 14+

Get into the patriotic spirit with red, white, and blue crafting! Join us as we create festive decorations and creative keepsakes perfect for summer celebrations. It's a great way to relax, get creative, and add a little extra holiday cheer to your season.

Min 6; Max 14

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Day: Mondays

Dates: 6/8-6/29

Time: 7:10-8:10PM

Fee: \$20



Tie-Dye



Ages 14+

It's time to add some color to your summer! Join us to create vibrant, one-of-a-kind patterns on a variety of fabrics. These eye-catching projects are sure to bring a swirl of creative fun to your wardrobe!

Min 7; Max 14

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Day: Mondays

Dates: 7/6-7/20

Time: 6:00-7:00PM

Fee: \$15



Christmas in July



Ages 14+

It's time to bring some holiday magic to the summer heat! Join us to create festive, winter-inspired crafts that add a touch of holiday cheer. These projects are sure to bring a flurry of creative fun to your July!

Min 7; Max 14

Location: Lincoln Leisure Center

Day: Mondays

Dates: 7/6-7/20

Time: 7:10-8:10PM

Fee: \$15



SPECIAL EVENTS

The Penguin Project Show

Ages 12+

The Penguin Project of McLean County presents "The Addams Family." The Penguin Project is unique in that all roles are filled by children and young adults with disabilities to put on a production of a modified version of a popular musical. Come and enjoy a performance by some of our very own SOAR friends at University High School.

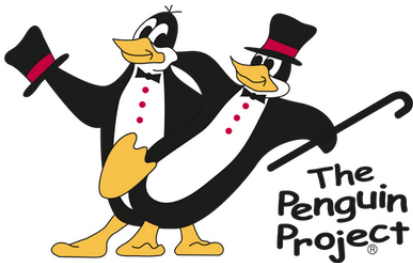
Min 6; Max 16

Location: University High School

Date: Friday, June 5

Time: 6:30-9:00PM

Fee: \$15



Pizza & Games with Dad

Any age participant with their father/grandfather/uncle

Celebrate Father's Day with great food and quality time together. Enjoy delicious pizza, fun games, and meaningful moments with Dad. Register both participants and guests to join the celebration!

Min 10 pairs; Max 20 pairs

Location: Hike Haven

Date: Tuesday, June 9

Time: 6:00-7:30PM

Fee: \$10 per person



Out & About

Ages 16-35

Hang out with friends and dive into fun community adventures! Each week brings a new activity, so there's always something exciting to look forward to. Participants are responsible for bringing their own lunch each week. Get ready for a great time together!

Min 5; Max 10

Location: Various Locations Each Week

Day: Thursdays

Dates: 6/11-7/16

Times: 11:00AM-3:00PM

Fee: \$85



FREE Popsicles in the Park

All Ages

July is National Park & Recreation Month! This month recognizes community, parks, and recreation opportunities. Drop by for some yard games, popsicles, temp tattoos, music, and more!

Location: White Oak Park

Date: Sunday, July 12

Time: 1:00-3:00PM

Fee: FREE



Friday Night Fishing

Ages 14+

Join your friends for some summertime fishing. Let's enjoy the outdoors, learn a new skill and a thing or two about fishing. Fishing poles, bait and all necessary equipment will be provided. Dress to be outdoors for the duration of the program.

Min 6; Max 20

Location: Union Park

Date: Friday, July 17

Time: 5:30-7:00PM

Fee: \$8



Normal CornBeltsers Game

Ages 12+

Enjoy a fun outing at a CornBeltsers baseball game! Cheer on the home team, soak up the ballpark atmosphere, and spend time with friends while enjoying America's favorite pastime. Perfect for a relaxing and entertaining evening.

Min 6; Max 15

Location: The Corn Crib

Date: Sunday, July 19

Time: 6:00-9:00PM

Fee: \$15



Bingo & Ice Cream

Ages 12+

July is National Ice Cream Month. Let's celebrate with two of everyone's favorite pastimes in one day—Ice Cream and BINGO!

Min 10; Max 30

Location: Miller Park Pavilion, Main Level

Date: Tuesday, July 21

Time: 6:00-7:30PM

Fee: \$12



Bowling & Dinner

Enjoy a night out on the town! The group will meet at Pheasant Lanes to enjoy an hour of bowling and then enjoy dinner. Participants will need to pay for their own meal costs.

Min 6; Max 16

Location: Pheasant Lanes

Ages	Day	Time	Date	Fee
14-28	T	5:30-7:30PM	7/28	\$16
29+	TH	5:30-7:30PM	7/30	\$16



Pool Party

Ages 12+

Cool off this summer with a splash at O'Neil Aquatics Center! Enjoy an evening of fun in the sun with friends, followed by a picnic dinner provided for all participants. Don't forget to bring your towel and sunscreen for the ultimate pool party experience.

Min 10; Max 30

Location: O'Neil Aquatics Center

Day	Time	Date	Fee
F	6:00-8:00PM	7/24	\$12
F	6:00-8:00PM	8/14	\$12



Dinner & a Movie

Enjoy a fun night out at the movies! The theater offers a full dinner menu, so you can enjoy a meal right at your seat while watching a great film. Sit back, relax, and enjoy an evening of food, friends, and entertainment. Each person will need to pay for their own meal.

Min 6; Max 12

Location: Golden Ticket Cinemas

Ages	Day	Time	Date	Fee
14-28	W	TBD	7/22	\$18
29+	W	TBD	8/5	\$18



Mini Golf & Picnic

Join us for mini golf at Miller Park! We will play a round of mini golf, then hang out in the park with a picnic dinner. It will be a fun night to wind down the summer.

Min 4; Max 12

Location: Miller Park

Ages	Day	Time	Date	Fee
14-28	M	5:30-7:00PM	8/3	\$12
29+	M	5:30-7:00PM	8/10	\$12



Illinois State Fair

Ages 14+

Summer marks the season of local fairs and carnivals. Enjoy rides, exhibits, entertainment, and delicious food at the Illinois State Fair. This trip requires a lot of movement because the group will have the opportunity to see the entire fair. Registration fee covers admission and parking. Participants should bring money for carnival ride tickets and food.

Min 6; Max 20

Location: Drop off/pick up at Lincoln Leisure Center

Date: Tuesday, August 18

Time: 10:00AM-4:00PM

Fee: \$20



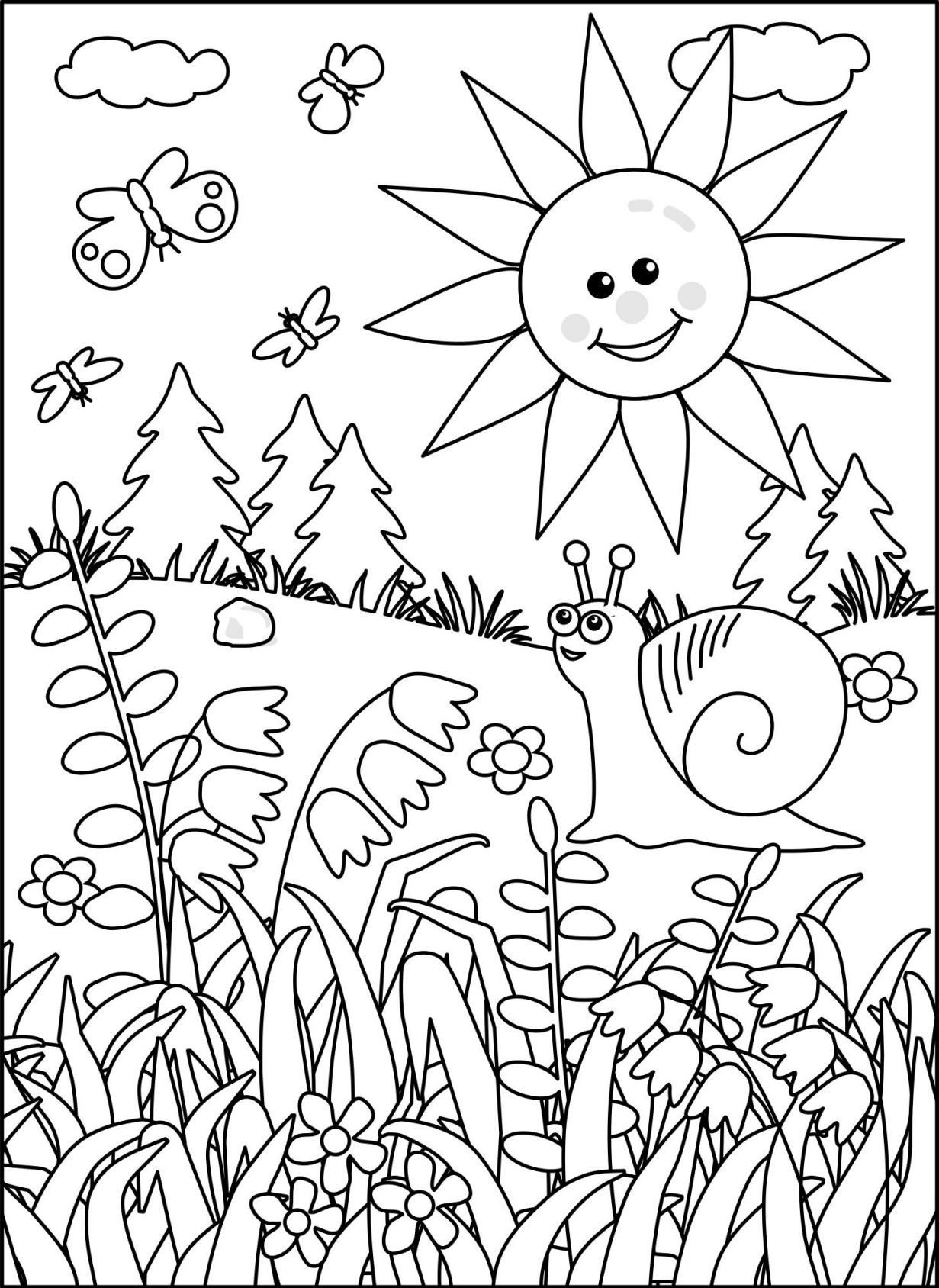
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DIFFERENCES!

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Summer

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SUN
TRAVEL
ICE CREAM
THUNDERSTORM

JOURNEY
SHELL
BERRIES
SANDALS

SUMMER
PLAY
FRIENDS
CAMP

WATER
GRASS
SUNFLOWER
HOT

FIND THE 10 HIDDEN OBJECTS IN THE PICTURE!





June 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Make Some Music SO Golf	Lunchtime Concerts SO Softball		ZOOper Fridays Penguin Project Show	
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Martial Arts Water Aerobics SO Bowling SOAR for Starters SO Tennis Swim Lessons Beach Crafts 4 th of July Crafts Cardio Fitness Yoga & Grooves	Make Some Art Make Some Music Explore with SOAR SO Golf Seat to SOAR Pizza & Games with Dad	Explore Outdoors Lunchtime Concerts SO Softball	Out & About Open Pickleball Summer Bites	SO Summer Games	SO Summer Games
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27
SO Tennis Qualifier	SO Bowling SOAR for Starters Beach Crafts 4 th of July Crafts Cardio Fitness Yoga & Grooves	Make Some Art Make Some Music Explore with SOAR SO Golf Seat to SOAR				
28	29	30				



July 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			Explore Outdoors SO Softball	Out & About Open Pickleball Summer Bites	NO PROGRAMS	
			1	2	3	4
	Martial Arts Water Aerobics SO Bowling SOAR for Starters Swim Lessons Tie-Dye Christmas in July Cardio Fitness Yoga & Grooves	Make Some Art Make Some Music Explore with SOAR SO Golf Seat to SOAR	Explore Outdoors SO Softball	Out & About Open Pickleball Summer Bites	ZOoper Fridays SO Cookout Celebration	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Popsicles in the Park	Martial Arts Water Aerobics SO Bowling SOAR for Starters Swim Lessons Tie-Dye Christmas in July Cardio Fitness Yoga & Grooves	Make Some Art Explore with SOAR SO Golf Seat to SOAR	Explore Outdoors SO Softball	Out & About Open Pickleball Summer Bites	Friday Night Fishing	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Cornbelters Game	Martial Arts Water Aerobics SO Bowling Swim Lessons Tie-Dye Christmas in July Cardio Fitness Yoga & Grooves	SO Golf Seat to SOAR Bingo & Ice Cream	SO Softball Dinner & a Movie	SO Volleyball Assessment	Pool Party	SO Region Softball Tournament
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	Martial Arts Water Aerobics SO Bowling	Bowling & Dinner SO Golf SO Volleyball		Bowling & Dinner SO Volleyball	SO Regional Golf Tournament	
26	27	28	29	30	31	



August 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	SO Bowling Lunch Bunch Bags in the Park Mini Golf & Picnic 3	SO Volleyball 4	Dinner & a Movie 5	SO Volleyball 6	ZOOper Fridays 7	8
9	SO Bowling Lunch Bunch Bags in the Park Mini Golf & Picnic 10	SO Volleyball 11	SO Bocce 12	SO Volleyball 13	Pool Party 14	SO State Tennis 15
SO State Tennis 16	SO Bowling Lunch Bunch Bags in the Park 17	SO Volleyball Illinois State Fair 18	SO Bocce 19	SO Volleyball 20	21	22
23	SO Bowling Lunch Bunch Bags in the Park 24	SO Volleyball 25	SO Bocce 26	SO Volleyball 27	28	29

PROGRAM POLICIES

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

Special Opportunities Available in Recreation (SOAR) will comply with the ADA, which prohibits discrimination in the provision of services, programs, or facilities to individuals with disabilities. SOAR will make reasonable accommodations in recreation programs to enable participation by an individual with a disability who meets essential eligibility requirements for that program. The ADA requires that recreation programs offered by SOAR be available in the most integrated setting appropriate for each individual. Call (309) 434-2260 if you have any questions about the SOAR policy regarding the ADA or believe you have been unfairly discriminated against by SOAR.

Code of Conduct

Participants, staff, volunteers, and parents are expected to exhibit appropriate behavior at all times. The following guidelines have been developed to make SOAR programs safe and enjoyable for everyone. Additional rules may be developed for particular programs and events as deemed necessary by the staff.

- Show respect to all participants, staff, and public.
- Show respect to equipment, supplies, and facilities.
- Listen to and comply with staff direction and program rules.
- Refrain from using foul language.
- Refrain from causing bodily harm or aggressive physical contact.
- Arrive to programs displaying proper hygiene and body odor.
- Wear appropriate attire for program participation.

Equal Access

No participant shall on the basis of race, gender, creed, national origin, or disability be denied equal access to programs, activities, services, or benefits or be limited in the exercise of any right, privilege, advantage or opportunity.

Discipline

SOAR applies a caring, positive approach to discipline. When Code of Conduct expectations are not met, staff will attempt reasonable accommodations to minimize future risks and help the participant to meet behavior expectations. However, when accommodations are attempted and are unsuccessful, or when unsafe or otherwise inappropriate behavior occurs, SOAR reserves the right to dismiss a participant whose behavior continues to be unsafe or otherwise inappropriate or whose behavior endangers the safety of themselves or others.

Toileting

Participants are expected to handle their toileting needs independently and without assistance from SOAR staff.

Insurance

Individual accident and medical insurance for program participants is not provided by SOAR, Bloomington or Normal Parks and Recreation Departments.

Staff Ratio

SOAR currently staffs most programs with one staff to every four participants. If a participant needs more assistance or is unable to participate with this structure, please let staff know at registration so appropriate staffing may be secured (if possible).

Photo/Video Policy

SOAR staff takes photos and video of participants enrolled in our programs, classes, or at events. These photos or videos may be used in our brochures, social media, advertising, or other publications. If you do not wish to have your photo taken or be in a video, please contact a SOAR Program Manager.

Medication Dispensing

SOAR staff may dispense medication to participants during extended programs and trips. In order for SOAR staff to do this, a parent/guardian will need to complete a medication dispensing form and complete a dispensing procedure each time medication is needed. SOAR staff may not perform an injection or any other medical or physically invasive procedure. Please call the SOAR office at (309) 434-2260 if you have any questions.

Parent/Caretaker Observation

We greatly value parents and guardians, and with your loved ones' best interests in mind, we kindly ask that you refrain from staying during the programs. Our staff is always happy to discuss your loved ones' progress with you at any time outside of program hours. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Participation

Participants should be willing to participate in the scheduled activities voluntarily. SOAR staff encourage and aid, but do not force participation.

Participant Supervision

If a participant has not been picked up at the scheduled program end time, the parent/guardian/group home staff will be contacted. After a fifteen-minute wait period, emergency contacts will be called. Please be mindful of end times, many times SOAR staff have additional work and responsibilities after the program and sometimes have another program to lead.

Program Cancellations

A program may be canceled if the program minimum enrollment is not met. Programs may be canceled due to inclement weather or other emergencies. SOAR will either reschedule the program or issue a prorated credit to the participant's account. If a participant cannot attend a program, they cannot send a substitute in their place. **SOAR Hotline: (309) 434-2386.**



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June 7 at 2:00 PM

