



West Midland Family Center Swimming Pool Information

WMFC Aquatics Information



Summer 2024

Frequently Asked Questions

May my child come to the pool alone?

Children who are **8 years and under**, must be supervised by a parent or adult guardian (18 yrs. or older) at all times when they are in the pool and/or locker room areas. While in the pool, a swimmer 8 years of age or younger may swim without an adult in the pool within arms reach of them, provided that they meet one of the following **criteria**:

**The child is OVER 50 inches tall
OR**

The child is able to swim the length of the pool unassisted

If a child does not meet the above criteria, a parent/adult guardian must be in the water with them AND within an arms reach of the child at all times.

Children **age 9-12** must meet one of the criteria above and must be under the supervision of a caretaker age 13 or older.

Children **13 years of age and older** are welcome to come to the pool without a parent or guardian, provided that they can meet one of the above criteria. Please refer any questions to Chelsea Wall, WMFC Aquatic Director.

May My Child Wear Diapers in the Pool?

Children, who are not toilet trained, are welcome to swim in the pool, providing that they wear **tight fitting rubber suits with elastic band legs** or they wear specially designed "swim diapers". "Swim diapers" are available for purchase for \$1.00 each at the WMFC Welcome Center if you forget yours! It is **highly encouraged** that you have your child visit the restroom before coming into the swimming pool and that your child **take potty breaks every 30 min.** during your visit.

In an effort to maintain a healthy and safe swim environment, we must insist that you use the changing table in the locker room to change your child's diaper,. Do not use the furniture in the pool area or the benches in the locker rooms.

Pool Opens: June 14, 2024

Last Day Pool is Open: August 14, 2024

Open Swim Hours (except as noted below)

Friday, Saturday	12:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	4:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday	3:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Open Swim Hours (Weeks of 7/15, 8/12)

Friday, Saturday	12:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Monday thru Thursday	1:00 - 7:00 p.m.
July 3rd	1:00-7:00 p.m.

These are typical Open Swim hours that are subject to change. Please call ahead. Pool is closed on days that WMFC is closed.

Open Swim Admission Prices

All Ages	\$2.00 per person
Family	\$10.00 Family of 5 or more

(All family members must reside in same home.)

All guests entering the pool area must purchase and wear a wristband regardless if they are swimming or not. For information on scholarship help with swimming fees please email Renee Young at youngr@wmfc.org

Free Family Swim 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Thursdays: June 20th, July 18th, & August 1st

Pool Closed

June 19th
July 4th
July 25th
Cold Weather, Thunderstorms, & Sundays.

On days that are questionable, please call ahead to make sure we're open.



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WMFC Swimming Programs

Aquatics

Throughout the summer months, our beautiful swimming pool is filled with laughing, splashing children and their families. We offer aquatics programming for all ages, infant through senior citizens.

Besides daily open swims, we offer rentals, free family swims, and special water events. A complete summary of our aquatics programs and swimming pool hours, is available on our website at www.wmfc.org. **For additional information on all aquatic programs, call Chelsea Wall, 832-3256.**



Junior Lifeguarding

Interested in exploring the world of lifeguarding? WMFC offers a hands on experience for students age 13-15 years old during the summer. Students are required to complete an application and interview process and must be accepted into the program. Space is limited. Students must commit to the full 4 day a week program. Typical program hours are 10 a.m. -3 p.m..

Interviews takes place in May and candidates are chosen by early June. Those interested in participating in our Junior Lifeguard Program should contact Chelsea Wall at 832-3256 or email wallyc@wmfc.org.



Swimming Lessons

All WMFC swimming lessons are one-on-one, private lessons. Lessons are typically scheduled in the evenings during the week. Cost is \$15 per 30 min lesson. Registration begins on **June 3, 2024**. To register for swimming lessons, please leave a message for Chelsea Wall at 989.832.3256 or email Chelsea at wallyc@wmfc.org Calls and emails are returned the order that they are received.



WMFC Pool Rentals

WMFC does offer pool rentals outside of our regular pool hours. They must be booked in advance and follow all our policies and procedures for a pool rental.

For additional information on rentals, call Chelsea Wall, 832-3256.

Pool Rules

1. **Parents of Non-swimmers...**Parents of non-swimmers must be in the water within an arms reach of their child.
2. **Glass** and other breakable items are not allowed in the locker rooms or in the pool area.
3. **Swim Diapers, Diaper Changing and Bathroom Breaks...**Small children must be toilet trained or wear swim diapers. Swim diapers are available for purchase at the Welcome Center. Please use the diaper changing stations in the locker rooms to change diapers. **DO NOT** change diapers in the pool areas or on the locker room benches. Parents are highly encouraged to take their young children to the bathroom every 30 minutes.
4. **NO DIVING ANYWHERE!** Diving into our pool can lead to life altering injuries and even death.
5. **"Frog Island"** You are not allowed to stand or walk on the peninsula at the north end of the pool but you **MAY** sit or lay on the island.
6. **Running**, tag games or similar activities are not allowed on the pool deck, in the hallway, or in the locker rooms.
7. **Smoking, Alcohol and Illegal Substances** are prohibited on WMFC grounds.
8. Enjoy your personal music player, but please do not play music so loud that others can hear.
9. **Safety Is Always Our First Priority...**For your safety and enjoyment, all swimmers and visitors must follow the lifeguards directions at all times. The first and most important duty of a lifeguard is to work to ensure the safety of the patrons at the pool. Please refrain from any activity, such as unnecessary visiting with the lifeguards, that would take away from the lifeguards' duties.

For a complete list of pool rules please contact the WMFC Welcome Center.

