

## Vandalia Recreation Center Party Rules and Guidelines

- No more than 30 people are permitted in the party room.
- Scheduled room times are strictly adhered to and no special arrangements can be made if you arrive late.
- Upon arrival, check-in with the Party Attendant at the Front Desk. The Attendant will show
  you to your party room or, if the activity is scheduled first, the Attendant will show you
  where to store your items until your room time. If your party is participating in the activity
  first, a representative from your party must stay in the lobby and assist in directing your
  guests. Special arrangements for late arrivals can be made with the Party Attendant
- 13 wristbands will be provided by the Party Attendant. These wristbands must be worn by the party guests participating in the activity (swimming, indoor playground, climbing wall).
  - If your party exceeds more than 13 activity participants, you can purchase extra wristbands from the Party Attendant. The additional fee per person is \$6.00 for the Aquatic Center, \$3.00 for the Climbing Wall and \$3.00 for Luther's Jungle. Parties are limited to 30 people per party package.
  - PLEASE NOTE: For Aquatic Center parties, children 4 years or younger do not wear one of the 13 wristbands; they will be given a yellow wristband. A responsible participant, 16 years or older, must wear one of the 13 wristbands, be in the water wearing appropriate swim attire and MUST stay with arm's reach of the child who is 4 years or younger.
  - While every effort is made to ensure that the slide is open, we cannot guarantee slide availability.
- You are responsible to supply your own cake/ice cream/food, plates/utensil and decorations. We will provide ice for drinks.
  - We have limited refrigerator space. If you need multiple items to stay cold, please bring cooler(s) and ice. Prior arrangements must be made for ice cream cakes.
- Locker rooms are located across from the gymnasium and are available to change into swim attire; changing clothes in the restrooms or party rooms is prohibited.
- Shoes and cover ups must be worn to and from the pool.
- While in the party room, guests are not permitted to run back and forth from the party room to the Lobby. All persons must be dressed and wear shoes while in the party room and Lobby. If your party finishes early in the room, please let the Party Attendant know.
- Pinata's, silly string, and confetti are not permitted.
- For parties in Ricky's room, food or drink is not permitted in the attached outdoor play area.
- The basketball courts are not included in your package unless special arrangements are made in advance. Any special requests must be made to the Coordinator PRIOR to the date of your party.

- Non-refundable \$50 deposit is due 48 hours after submitting Birthday Party Agreement. Non-payment will result in cancellation of reservation.
- Payment can be made by calling the front desk at 937 415 2340

#### **Cancellations and Refunds**

- Cancellations must be requested in writing ten days prior to the date of the rental to
  receive a full refund, minus a \$5.00 administrative fee. If the refund request is made nine
  to two days prior to the rental date, 20% of the rental fee will be forfeited. If the refund
  request is made less than two days prior to the rental date, no refund will be issued.
- Transfers to another date may be permitted according to availability and could be subject to a \$5.00 administrative fee.
- Cancellation and/or administrative fees may be waived if written documentation of illness, injury, family emergency, relocation or other reason is submitted and approved by the Recreation Coordinator.
- No cancellation fee will be assessed if VPRD cancels rental due to weather or other extenuating circumstance.

### **Aquatic Center**

For your safety and those around you, please obey all instructions of the staff. Distracting lifeguards from their duties is a safety concern.

- 1. Swimming is only permitted when lifeguards are on duty.
- 2. Use of specific areas of the facility may be restricted due to aquatic programming.
- 3. Diving is NOT permitted anywhere at the VRC.
- 4. Water slide use is limited to those patrons 48 inches or taller.
- 5. Special rules governing the use of the lap pool and water slide will be posted and enforced.
- 6. The vortex must be entered at the opening; no sliding or jumping from the pool deck.
- 7. The City of Vandalia reserves the right to limit access due to safety concerns.
- 8. To assist in keeping pool water clean and clear, please shower prior to entering the water to remove oils and dirt.
- 9. Obscene tattoos must be covered up.
- 10. Inappropriate clothing must be covered up or removed.
- 11. Alcohol is not permitted.
- 12. Cameras are permitted in the pool area for IMMEDIATE FAMILY USE ONLY.
- 13. Be cautious with your valuables. The City of Vandalia is not responsible for your personal items.
- 14. The Aquatic schedule is available at the VRC or online at www.vandaliareccenter.com.

#### **Aquatic Center Patron Attire**

- For the safety and health of our patrons, appropriate swim attire (Clean swim trunks with liner AND drawstring / one- or two-piece bathing suite is required to utilize the pool.
   Swimsuits must cover one's bottom, genitals and chest (females). No street clothes (athletic apparel, cut off shorts, etc.) will be permitted.
- 2. Acceptable swimwear includes traditional swim trunks, board trunks, Jammers, rash guards and wetsuits. Unacceptable swimwear includes street wear, athletic shorts, cutoffs, transparent fabrics, undergarments, bras (including sports bras) and thongs/G-strings. T-shirts are prohibited unless specifically designed for aquatic use (i.e. Dry-Fit or wetsuit shirts). All requests for exemptions MUST be communicated to the Facility Manager prior to entry into the Aquatic Center.

#### Aquatic Center Age & Health/Safety

- 1. Children 4 years of age and younger must be accompanied in the water, at arm's length by a responsible and paying individual who is, at minimum, 16 years of age. Each responsible individual may accompany a MAXIMUM of 2 children. Groups bringing children to VRC Aquatic center must have at least one adult per every five children over the age of 4 years of age and are responsible for the supervision of those children. Adults are to be in proper swim attire.
- 2. Children 8 years of age and younger must be accompanied in the facility by a responsible adult, sixteen (16) years of age or older.
- 3. Monitoring your child/children remains your responsibility, even if lifeguards are present.
- 4. All injuries should be reported to the VRC Aquatic staff immediately.
- 5. Infants/children who are not toilet trained must swim diapers and/or securely fitted rubber pants.
- 6. No food or drink, except for water, will be permitted in the Aquatic Center. Please consume all food in the VRC lobby.

#### **Aquatic Center Equipment and Toys**

- 1. All life vests must be U.S. Coast Guard approved. We provide U.S. Coast Guard approved life jackets at no charge. Patrons may bring their own life vests for use at the facility.
- 2. Water wings, baby seat floaters, suits with built in flotation devices and water noodles provide a "false sense of security" and are not permitted. These items are not U.S. Coast Guard approved flotation devices. Floating enhancement devices NEVER replace in-water supervision.
- 3. Inflatable items are not permitted.
- 4. Any item that restricts swimmers' leg movement (i.e. mermaid tails, monofins, etc.) are not permitted in the water.
- 5. Adults may use water noodles, kick boards & other pieces of water exercise equipment for water exercise.
- 6. Toys are permitted with guards' approval and with patron's safety in mind. All diving toys must be soft.

7. Please do not sit, hang on, or play on the ropes, lane lines and pool ladders.

#### **Aquatic Center Behavior**

Patrons shall not behave in a manner that jeopardizes the safety and health of themselves and/or others. Examples of unacceptable behaviors include; running, rough play, forcing others into the pool, pushing, whipping of towels, acrobatics, excessive dunking, holding others

- 1. underwater, prolonged underwater swimming or 'breath holding', excessive noise, wrestling, fighting, the use of abusive/profane language, and public display of affection.
- 2. The lifeguards have the right to address any behaviors or activities that may not be listed but are deemed unsafe or unhealthy in any manner.

#### **Aquatic Inclement Weather & Lightning Policy**

For your safety, the indoor Aquatic Center may be closed and evacuated for periods of time due to severe weather situations. This includes an electrical storm that is within six miles of the facility. Aquatic programming (swim lessons, water fitness, etc.) cancelled due to severe weather will be rescheduled accordingly.

#### **Aquatic Center Groups and Parties**

- 1. Chaperones must accompany all members of their group in the locker rooms and Aquatic Center at all times.
- 2. It is the chaperones responsibility to supervise all guests in your party/group. We recommend that responsible adult(s) 16 years of age or older, accompany the party/group in the water.

#### **Birthday Party Aquatic Center Closure Policy:**

In the event that the Aquatic Center is closed due to inclement weather, water contamination, mechanical issues or any other reason beyond our control, all patrons will be asked to evacuate the pool. Closure of the pool could range from 30 minutes to closing for the day dependent on the issue. We will do our best to accommodate your party in other areas of the Rec Center while the pool is closed. We strongly encourage you to have party patrons bring other clothes, including tennis shoes and socks. Depending on the length of time the pool is closed, a partial refund may be processed or Be Our Guest passes to visit another day may be offered.

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For your safety, the Aquatic Center may be closed and evacuated for periods of time due to severe weather situations. This includes an electrical storm that is within six miles of the facility.

#### Locker Rooms

- Children 3 years of age and older must use gender appropriate locker room or Special Accommodations Locker Room.
- Children 6 years of age and younger must be accompanied by another responsible patron, at least 14 years of age.

- Personal belongings should not be left in public areas and should be secured in a locker.
- Locks must be removed from lockers prior to facility closing each day. Management will
  cut off all remaining locks and place the contents of the locker in the facilities lost and
  found.
- The City of Vandalia, its representatives, agents and successors, are not responsible for the safekeeping of personal property, while using the Vandalia Recreation Center facilities.
- Cameras and camera usage is not permitted in the locker rooms.

#### **Climbing Wall**

- If adding this feature to your party package it will be an additional \$2.00 per climber.
- A yearly waiver must be completed by all climbers. Climbers 17 years or younger must have a parent/guardian signature.
- All climbers must be 6 years or older.
- Climbers must wear closed-toe shoes.

#### <u>Luther's Jungle</u>

- If adding this feature to your party package it will be an additional \$2.00 per child.
- Luther's Jungle is for children 4 to 9 years old.
- Shoes are not permitted on Luther's Jungle unit. Socks MUST be worn by all children while playing.
- All participants MUST have a parent/guardian sign a waiver to play in Luther's.
- Due to the size of Luther's Jungle parents are asked not to sit in Luther's Jungle. There is a Childcare Attendant on duty.
- Luther's will remain open to other guests during party activity times.

#### **COVID-19 Waiver**

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic, is extremely contagious and is believed to be spread primarily from person-to person contact. The City has put in place preventive measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, I recognize that the City cannot guarantee that party guests will not become infected with COVID-19 while attending a birthday party. By signing this document, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that party guests may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 and that such exposure may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability and death. I agree and acknowledge that this Release, Waiver and Indemnification specifically includes any claim, demand, liability, cost, suit, charge or compensation for loss or injury of any kind arising out of or related to COVID-19.

# PLEASE INFORM ALL GUESTS OF THESE RULES AND REGULATIONS. IT WILL AVOID ANY DISAPPOINTMENTS OF UNPREPARED GUESTS ON THE DAY OF YOUR CHILD'S PARTY.

The VRC and its staff are not responsible for any items left at the center. If you have any further questions please contact Jennifer Webb, Party Coordinator at 415-2335 or <a href="webb@vandaliaohio.org">webb@vandaliaohio.org</a>