



April 1, 2020  
Re: COVID-19 Update

The impact of the coronavirus pandemic has made its way to Williston's playgrounds and the skate park.

Williston Parks and Recreation District (WPRD) will be closing all playgrounds, including the skate park, effective immediately (4/1/2020) in an effort to minimize the spread of the COVID-19 virus until further notice.

WPRD understands the important value our playgrounds and the skate park provide to our community and the kids that enjoy them every day. But with this current situation and following guidelines from the Center for Disease Control (CDC) & National Recreation Parks Association (NRPA) on their recommendations for communities to engage in physical distancing, limiting in-person social interactions, avoiding spaces where people congregate in close quarters, and the concerns around transmission of the virus being spread through surfaces, we are closing them in an effort to reduce community spread.

The Parks and other outdoor areas, however, remain open and residents are encouraged to enjoy the trails and open spaces.

WPRD continues to support keeping trails and green spaces that provide adequate room for physical distancing open for the public to use in responsible ways that protect public health and safety. Through this pandemic, local parks, trails, and open spaces have become even more of a haven and place of relief from the stresses of daily life and the uncertainty we face. We realize the physical and mental health benefits that these spaces provide and want them to remain open if used correctly.

Again, please remember to use social distancing guidelines such as: remaining 6 feet apart at all times, moving to the side when someone needs to pass on the trails, and only heading out if you do not have any signs of symptoms.

Please continue to follow our Facebook page and website <https://www.willistonparks.com/covid-19-updates> for further updates.

Thank you for your understanding and your continued support for WPRD.

Please stay healthy and safe!

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