

FAIRFAX COUNTY PARK AUTHORITY



INFORMATION RELEASE

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Our Special Harbor Opens May 31 Weather Permitting

The Fairfax County Park Authority's Our Special Harbor spray park opens on Monday, May 31, 2021 – just in time for Memorial Day family fun – weather permitting.

This fully accessible Chesapeake-Bay-themed sprayground has water features such as a spraying osprey nest, Chessie the sea serpent, misting sunflowers and a lighthouse. The beach area allows for quieter play with softer bubblers and interactive water tables while the computerized water maze and dumping crab basket provide more lively activity.

Our Special Harbor was closed last summer due to COVID-19 restrictions, and it will reopen with reduced capacity, in keeping with current guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on social distancing and the updated <u>Executive Order from the governor</u> which allows entities to still place reduced capacity limits. Anyone unvaccinated and children under 12 will not be required to wear masks when playing in the water, but they will be asked to wear a mask when on the deck or in the seating area.

The sprayground will operate during weekends only until school is out. All openings are weather dependent.

Our Special Harbor is just one of the many family-friendly features of the Lee District Family Recreation Area, located at Lee District Park at 6601 Telegraph Road, Franconia, VA. For more information, visit https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/recenter/lee-district/family-recreation-area.

For even more water fun, the Water Mine Family Swimmin' Hole at Lake Fairfax Park is also opening on Memorial Day with new COVID-19 safety precautions in place. Details are available on the water park's webpage at https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/watermine. The Martin Luther King, Jr. pool in the Gum Spring Community of Alexandria is opening on Memorial Day too. Find details at https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/watermine. The Martin Luther King, Jr. pool in the Gum Spring Community of Alexandria is opening on Memorial Day too. Find details at https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/mlk-pool.

Inclement weather may delay these openings and other amusements in the park system. Visitors are urged to visit online or contact the site in advance for information.

For more information, contact the Park Authority at 703-324-8700 during business hours or send an email to <u>parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov</u>.

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