

Peru Recreation Summer Camps 2022

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MISSION STATEMENT

“We create community pride through people, parks, and programs.”

The Peru Parks, Recreation, and Special Events Department operated alongside the Peru Recreation Board to offer, recreation, programs, and events for the benefit of all Peru citizens. Peru Parks include Washington Park, Sunset Park, McKinley Park, Rotary Park, Centennial Park, American Nickeloid Park, Veteran’s Park, 28th Street, & Baker Lake. Splash Field is located in Washington Park and Wiggly Field is located at Veterans Park.

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For 2022 we will be utilizing online signups for our programs summer camps. Below is a week-by-week outline of camps being offered this summer. A sign-up link is provided where applicable.

Many camps are free to Peru residents! If there is a fee it will be listed in the description. Nonresidents are invited and welcome, with an additional low cost of only \$10 (exception- Saddle Up Camp). Payment is due the first day of the camp, if applicable.

*** Please only sign up one participant per slot and try to sign up early, to help the instructors better prepare. If all slots are filled and you would still like to participate, please call Seth Brannan @ (815) 681-8600.

6 Week Programs

Program	Participants	Description	Time	Location	Instructor	Sign Up
Arts and Crafts	Grades K and Up	This 6 week program will meet Monday-Thursday from June 13-30 and July 11-28. There will be a different craft everyday so come join us as often as you want 😊 Cost is 50 cents per craft.	<i>Come join us anytime between</i> 10:00am-12:00pm	Washington Park- South Shelter	Maggie Hachenberger	No sign up needed. Just come on the days that you are available 😊
Tennis- Tiny Tots <i>*partnering with LaSalle</i>	Age 5-6	This 6 week program will meet on Mondays and Wednesdays from June 13- 29 and July 11- 27 . Introduction of racquet sports, developing hand eye coordination, and mini games will be part of the program.	8:30-9:00 am	LaSalle-Hegeler Park Tennis Courts	Aaron Guenther	Sign up in person on the first day of the program (if you cannot make the first day you can sign up on your first day available).
Tennis- High School <i>*partnering with LaSalle</i>	Grades 9 th -12 th (incoming)	This 6 week program will meet Monday-Thursday from June 13-30 and July 11-28. Tennis instruction and games will be tailored to high school age participants. This class is geared towards those wanting to develop their skills for competitive or recreational play. Please bring your own racquet.	9:00-10:00 am	LaSalle-Hegeler Park Tennis Courts	Aaron Guenther	Sign up in person on the first day of the program (if you cannot make the first day you can sign up on your first day available).

Tennis-Beginner Class <i>*partnering with LaSalle</i>	Grades 3 rd -8 th (incoming)	This 6 week program will meet Monday-Thursday from June 13-30 and July 11-28. Tennis instruction and games will be tailored to beginner level participants. This class is geared towards those wanting to learn how to play or improve upon basic skills. Please bring your own racquet.	10:00-11:00 am	LaSalle-Hegeler Park Tennis Courts	Jill Urban-Bollis	Sign up in person on the first day of the program (if you cannot make the first day you can sign up on your first day available).
Tennis-Intermediate Class <i>*partnering with LaSalle</i>	Grades 3 rd -8 th (incoming)	This 6 week program will meet Monday-Thursday from June 13-30 and July 11-28. Tennis instruction and games will be tailored to intermediate level participants. This class is for those who can serve with consistency and are looking to enhance their skills. Please bring your own racquet.	11:00am-12:00 pm	LaSalle-Hegeler Park Tennis Courts	Jill Urban-Bollis	Sign up in person on the first day of the program (if you cannot make the first day you can sign up on your first day available).

Week of June 13- June 17

Camp	Participants	Description	Time	Location	Instructor	Sign Up
Girls Basketball Middle School	Grades 5 th -8 th (incoming)	Grade appropriate basketball fundamentals and skills will be emphasized.	8:30-9:45 am	Washington Park Basketball Courts (East of Splash Field)	Matt Guenther	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-girls4

Boys Basketball Middle School	Grades 5 th -8 th (incoming)	Grade appropriate basketball fundamentals and skills will be emphasized.	10:00-11:15 am	Washington Park Basketball Courts (East of Splash Field)	Matt Guenther	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-boys4
Stories in the Park- Day 1 (June 13 th only) *partnering with Peru Library	Ages 3-7	Meet Ms. Lynn, Children's Librarian, for a fun interactive story at the west shelter of Washington Park! Please bring a blanket.	9:30-10:00 am	Washington Park- West Shelter	Lynn Sheedy	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-stories
Drumming to the Beat	Grades 4 th -6 th (incoming)	Participants will learn the basics of drumming while infusing cultural rhythmic hand drumming. There will be a short performance around a campfire to the end of the camp.	12:30-1:45 pm	Peru City Hall- Lower Level	Amber Backus	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-drumming
What Summer Means to Me	Grades 2 nd -3 rd (incoming)	By the end of this camp, participants will be published authors! Campers will work together to develop their interpretation of summer. A hardcover copy of their creation will be provided to each camper. The cost of the camp will be \$15.	12:30-1:45 pm	Peru City Hall- Community Room	Heather Linnig	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-what1

The A, B, C's of Summer	Grades K-1 st (incoming)	By the end of this camp, participants will be published authors! Campers will work together to encompass the many elements of summer into their own masterpiece. A hardcover copy of their creation will be provided to each camper. The cost of the camp will be \$15.	2:00-3:15 pm	Peru City Hall-Community Room	Heather Linnig	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-theab1
Cheer Camp	Grades 1 st -5 th (incoming)	Participants will learn and practice cheers throughout the week and perform those cheers at the end of the camp.	5:00-6:15 pm	Centennial Park-Southeast Shelter	Madison Bara	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-cheer1
Pickleball	Adults and Grades 7 th and up	Participants will learn about the sport of pickleball while practicing the fundamentals and skills within the game. If you have your own paddle, please bring it.	5:30-6:45 pm	Washington Park- Pickleball Courts (East of Splash Field)	Seth Brannan	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-pickleball2

Week of June 20- June 24

Camp	Participants	Description	Time	Location	Instructor	Sign Up
Softball Grade School	Grades 2 nd -4 th (incoming)	Grade appropriate softball fundamentals and skills will be emphasized. Please bring your own glove.	9:00- 10:15 am	McKinley Park- Softball Diamond	Callie Schmidt	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-softball4
Softball Middle School	Grades 5 th -8 th (incoming)	Grade appropriate softball fundamentals and skills will be emphasized. Please bring your own glove.	10:30- 11:45 am	McKinley Park- Softball Diamond	Callie Schmidt	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-softball5
Stories in the Park- Day 2 (June 20 th only) *partnering with Peru Library	Ages 3-7	Meet Ms. Lynn, Children's Librarian, for a fun interactive story at the west shelter of Washington Park! Please bring a blanket.	9:30- 10:00 am	Washington Park- West Shelter	Lynn Sheedy	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-stories1
STEM Plus Art = STEAM	Grades 2 nd -4 th (incoming)	<i>Science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics...</i> Participants will partake in a stem activity and then create a complementing art project.	1:00- 2:15 pm	Washington Park- West Shelter	Maggie Hachenberger	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-steam

Imaginative Play	Pre K-1 st (incoming)	Stories, props, imagination, and creativity all rolled up into one camp for our little ones!	2:30-3:45pm	Washington Park- West Shelter	Maggie Hachenberger	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-imaginative
Disc Golf	Adults and Grades 5 th and up	Participants will learn skills, etiquette, and scorekeeping. If you have your own disc please bring it.	5:00-6:15 pm	Baker Lake-Meet at West Parking Lot	Wes Black	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-disc1
Metal Detecting (June 20th only)	Grades 4 th and up (adults are welcome to participate with their kids)	Participants will receive an introduction to metal detecting and have a chance to dig up some buried treasure.	2:30-4:00 pm	Centennial Park-Southwest shelter	Gary Olson and the IVHRR	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-metal1

Week of June 27- July 1

Camp	Participants	Description	Time	Location	Instructor	Sign Up
Volleyball-Grade School	Grades 3 rd -5 th (incoming)	Grade appropriate volleyball fundamentals will be emphasized. Knee pads are not required but are recommended.	8:30-9:45 am	Northview Elementary School	Nicci Gibson	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-volleyball2

Volleyball-Middle School	Grades 6 th -8 th (incoming)	Grade appropriate volleyball fundamentals will be emphasized. Knee pads are not required but are recommended.	10:00-11:15 am	Northview Elementary School	Nicci Gibson	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-volleyball3
Stories in the Park- Day 3 (June 27 th only) *partnering with Peru Library	Ages 3-7	Meet Ms. Lynn, Children's Librarian, for a fun interactive story at the west shelter of Washington Park! Please bring a blanket.	9:30-10:00 am	Washington Park- West Shelter	Lynn Sheedy	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-stories2
Football	Grades 4 th -8 th (incoming)	Participants will learn about the sport of football while practicing the fundamentals and skills within the game.	9:45-11:00 am	Baker Lake-Meet at West Parking Lot	Kevin Keating	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-football2
Star Wars Camp	Grades 2 nd -4 th (incoming)	Participants will take part in a Star Wars activity and complete projects/missions each day.	1:00- 2:15 pm		Maggie Hachenberger	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-star
Girls Basketball Grade School	Grades 2 nd -4 th (incoming)	Grade appropriate basketball fundamentals and skills will be emphasized.	5:00-6:15 pm	Washington Park- Basketball Courts (East of Splash Field)	Pamela Needs	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-girls5
Boys Basketball Grade School	Grades 2 nd -4 th (incoming)	Grade appropriate basketball fundamentals and skills will be emphasized.	6:30-7:45 pm	Washington Park- Basketball Courts (East of Splash Field)	Pamela Needs	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-boys5

July 11- July 15

Camp	Participants	Description	Time	Location	Instructor	Sign Up
Cook with a Book	Grades 2 nd -4 th (incoming)	Participants will combine cooking with literacy in this tasty camp. Story themed cooking lessons! The cost of the camp will be \$10.	8:30-9:45 am	Parkside School- Room 182 (please drop off at the west entrance of school)	Jennifer Znaniecki	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-cook1
What's Cooking-Session 1	Grades 5 th -8 th (incoming)	Participants will receive hands on experience with measuring, mixing and, cooking. Yummy! The cost of the camp will be \$10.	10:00-11:15 am	Parkside School- Room 182 (please drop off at the west entrance of school)	Jennifer Znaniecki	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-whats2
What's Cooking-Session 2	Grades 5 th -8 th (incoming)	Participants will receive hands on experience with measuring, mixing and, cooking. Yummy! The cost of the camp will be \$10.	11:30 am-12:45 pm	Parkside School- Room 182 (please drop off at the west entrance of school)	Jennifer Znaniecki	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-whats3
Baseball Middle School	Grades 5 th -8 th (incoming)	Grade appropriate baseball fundamentals and skills will be emphasized. Please bring your own glove.	9:45-11:00	Washington Park- Baseball Diamonds	Kevin Keating	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-baseball4

Soccer Grade School	Grades 2 nd -4 th (incoming)	Grade appropriate soccer fundamentals and skills will be emphasized. Drills and fun mini games will also be implemented.	5:00- 6:15 pm	Baker Lake-Meet at West Parking Lot	Jason Depenbrock	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-soccer4
Soccer Middle School	Grades 5 th -8 th (incoming)	Grade appropriate soccer fundamentals and skills will be emphasized. Drills and fun mini games will also be implemented.	6:30-7:45 pm	Baker Lake-Meet at West Parking Lot	Jason Depenbrock	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-soccer5

July 18- July 22

Camp	Participants	Description	Time	Location	Instructor	Sign Up
Saddle Up	Grades 5 th -8 th (incoming)	Participants will be engaged in horse riding, saddling, grooming, and care. The cost will be \$100 for Peru residents and \$150 for nonresidents. Please arrive 15 minutes early the first day.	9:00-10:30 am	Cedar Creek Ranch in Cedar Point, IL	Paul Williams	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-saddle2
Baseball Grade School	Grades 2 nd -4 th (incoming)	Grade appropriate baseball fundamentals and skills will be emphasized. Please bring your own glove.	9:45-11:00	Washington Park- Baseball Diamonds	Kevin Keating	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-baseball5

Sing Wiggle and Giggle	Grades K-3 rd (incoming)	Learn basic note reading skills, how to use your singing voice, and produce rhythmic movement patterns during this interactive and educational FUN!	11:00 am-12:00 pm	Centennial Park- Southeast Shelter	Kori Suarez	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-sing2
Messy Art	Grades 3 rd -5 th (incoming)	Create your own custom artwork while getting super messy! Participants should wear old clothes (that may be ruined).	1:00-2:15 pm	Washington Park- South Shelter	Kayla Guenther	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-messy2
Rugby *partnering with LaSalle	Grades 3 rd -8 th (incoming)	Participants will learn about the sport of Rugby while practicing the fundamentals and skills within the game.	5:00-6:15 pm	Baker Lake-Meet at West Parking Lot	Fran Baker	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-rugby2

July 25- July 29

Camp	Participants	Description	Time	Location	Instructor	Sign Up
Paper Creation	Grades 3 rd -5 th (incoming)	Campers will create various 2-D and 3-D art works using cardboard and colored construction paper.	9:00-10:15 am	Parkside School- Art Room (please drop off & pick up at the west entrance of school)	Tara Washkowiak	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-paper

Crazy Creatures	Grades 6 th -8 th (incoming)	Campers will use various recycled materials to create a 3-D creature from their own imagination.	10:30-11:45 am	Parkside School- Art Room (please drop off & pick up at the west entrance of school)	Tara Washkowiak	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-crazy
BB Gun Camp	Grades 3 rd -8 th (incoming)	Participants will learn the fundamentals and safety procedures associated with marksmanship	10:00-11:15 am	Peru City Hall- Lower Level	Gary Olson	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-bbguncamp1
Pretty Pretty Princess	Grades K-2 nd (incoming)	Participants will participate in princess themed crafts, songs, stories, and activities.	12:00-1:00 pm	Peru City Hall- Community Room	Kayla Guenther	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-pretty2
Zoo Creations! (July 28 th only)	Grades 1 st -6 th (incoming)	This camp provides a fun activity where you get to create a personalized toy and take it home. The cost of the camp will be \$10.	1:15- 2:15 pm	Peru City Hall- Community Room	Kayla Guenther	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BABAD28A6FF2-zoocreations Peru City Rec- Zoo Creations https://drive.google.com/file/d/1pFq3BCvImuJTbA3Ifletm-42UjEwE2NG/view?usp=sharing

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to seeing you this summer!