# **Geneva Parks & Recreation**



# Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

## General

# Q: What is the purpose of Geneva Parks & Recreation?

A: Our mission is to provide safe, fun, and meaningful recreational opportunities for all ages. We focus on youth development, family engagement, community health, and lifelong recreation.

#### Q: Where is the Parks & Recreation office located?

A: 411 North Iris St., Geneva, AL 36340. For in person registration and reservation, you must go to City Hall, which is located at 606 E Magnolia Ave, Geneva, AL 36340.

#### Q: How do I contact Geneva Parks & Recreation?

A: You can reach us via email <u>jhowell@genevaal.gov</u> or by phone 334-867-9864. Office hours are Monday-Friday 8am-4pm.

# **Youth Sports**

# Q: What youth sports programs do you offer?

A: We offer seasonal leagues for baseball, softball, flag football, volleyball, cheer, basketball, and soccer. Age groups and seasons vary.

# Q: How do I register my child for a sport?

A: Registration can be completed online at https://geneva.recdesk.com/Community/Home or in person at City Hall. Deadlines will be posted on our website and Facebook page.

#### Q: How are teams formed?

A: Teams are created through a fair draft process to ensure balance and opportunity for all players.

## Q: What is the philosophy of Geneva Parks & Recreation youth sports?

A: Our focus is on teaching fundamentals, sportsmanship, teamwork, and confidence — not just winning. Every child receives playing time and the chance to grow.

#### Q: Can I volunteer to coach?

A: Yes! We welcome volunteer coaches. All coaches must complete a volunteer application, pass a background check, and complete Coach Safely training.

#### Q: What equipment does my child need?

A: Basic equipment varies by sport (gloves for baseball, shin guards for soccer, etc.). Geneva Parks & Recreation provides team jerseys/uniforms.

## **Parents & Coaches**

# Q: What is expected of parents and spectators?

A: Cheer positively, support all players, and respect referees, coaches, and staff. Negative behavior or poor sportsmanship will not be tolerated.

# Q: How much playing time will my child get?

A: All players will receive meaningful playing time. No child should sit out or feel excluded.

# Q: Are coaches trained in safety?

A: Yes. All coaches are required to complete the Coach Safely course. In addition, we strongly recommend all coaches become familiar with first aid and emergency procedures. Safety is our top priority.

# **Facilities & Events**

## Q: What facilities are available through Geneva Parks & Recreation?

A: We maintain baseball/softball fields, soccer fields, gyms, volleyball courts, a splash pad, playgrounds, and picnic areas.

# Q: How can I rent a park facility or field?

A: Rentals are available for events, practices, or tournaments. Contact our office for rental rates and availability.

#### Q: Does the splash pad have seasonal hours?

A: Yes, the splash pad is open seasonally (spring–fall). Specific open/close dates will be posted on our website and Facebook page.

# **Other**

# Q: How can I stay updated on programs and events?

A: Follow us on Facebook, check our RecDesk website, or sign up for email/text alerts through your RecDesk account.

# Q: How can local businesses support Geneva Parks & Recreation?

A: Sponsorship opportunities are available each year for teams, tournaments, and facilities. Contact us to learn more about supporting our youth programs.