

2025/2026 ELYRIA PARK & RECREATION

Fall & Winter Programs



RECREATION CENTERS & FACILITIES

Main Office
131 Court Street, Suite 103 | 440-326-1500

East Recreation Center 1101 Prospect | 440-322-3028

East Pool 1005 Prospect Street | 440-323-3867

North Pool/Ice Arena 901 Duffey Street | 440-365-4251 West Recreation Center 1200 Foster | 440-323-7755

South Recreation Center 101 S. Park Dr. | 440-322-7601

Finwood Estate
799 North Abbe Road | 440-365-4727

Softball Rain-out Hotline 440-322-7696

FACILITY RENTAL INFORMATION

Facility Rentals must be reserved at least 3 weeks in advance of rental date and payment is due at the time of reservation. Reservations are subject to availability and staffing.

Call 440-326-1500 to reserve a facility.

Gymnasiums \$45 per hour

Finwood Estate \$50 per hour (2 hour min)

South Meeting Room \$35 per hour

East Meeting Room \$20** one time fee (*must be reserved with the gym*)

Ice Arena \$200 per hour

Pools (Seasonal) \$150 per hour

PICNIC SHELTER RENTALS

Cost: \$25 per session \$60 all day

There are three sessions available:

8:00–11:45 a.m., Noon–4:45 p.m., and 5:00–Dark.

Electricity is **NOT** available at any of our shelters.

Restrooms will be open Memorial Day through Labor Day

- Hilltop Park 1231 Gulf Road (2 shelters)
- West Park 1200 Foster Avenue (1 shelter)
- East Park 1101 Prospect Street. (1 Shelter)
- South Park 215 16th Street (1 shelter)

** Alcoholic Beverages are Prohibited!** *Bounce Houses and Generators are Prohibited!

ELY SQUARE GAZEBO

Ely Park Gazebo is available for rent for weddings and pictures. The cost for rental is \$15 per hour for resident.

All reservations must be made in person at the Main Office, 131 Court Street, Suite 103.

** Alcoholic Beverages are Prohibited**

PROGRAM UPDATES

The Parks & Recreation Department uses cable television Channel 12 to provide program and service updates. Also, check our website and Facebook for additional information.

CEMETERIES

The Cemetery Division of the Parks and Recreation Department maintains and operates:

- Ridgelawn Cemetery, 285 Columbus Street
- North Murray Ridge Cemetery, 8230 North Murray Ridge Road
- Brookdale Cemetery, 41600 Oberlin Road

For information on advanced planning or the purchase of lots contact Brookdale Cemetery Office at 440-322-3896.

Brookdale Cemetery Online Burial Search is now available!

Please visit cityofelyria.org/department/ cemetery for a GPS-Guided map of Brookdale!

FRIENDS OF CASCADE PARK

Friends of Cascade is a group of volunteer Elyrians who organized in April 1982 to promote welfare of Cascade & Elywood Parks. For more information about the group contact the main office at 326-1500.

MONTHLY CLEAN-UP

Last Friday of each month, year-round, weather permitting.

No ornaments or décor may be hung on trees or landscaping.

HOLIDAY FLOWERS/ WINTER DECOR

Flowers and wreaths are permitted beginning Saturday, November 1st 2025.

SATISFACTION **GUARANTEED**

The department guarantees you will enjoy and be satisfied with recreation classes, programs, and services in which you participate. If you are not completely satisfied after the first session or meeting time, tell us and we'll explain our guarantee and refund policy.

INFORMATION ACCURACY

Occasionally, there may be an error in dates, times, registration requirements, fees or other pertinent information in our brochure. When such errors occur, our staff will do everything possible to correct the error.

PHOTO RELEASES

Elyria city staff may take photographs of participants in our programs, classes and events, people in our parks, or on park property. Please be aware that these photos are for the City's use only and may be used in future program guides, brochures, news articles or on the website.



soccer programs

outdoor soccer leagues

RESIDENT FEE: \$42 NON-RESIDENT FEE: \$52

Games are played on Saturdays at the West Park Soccer Complex. Teams will practice one evening during the week. All coaches are volunteers.

If you are interested in coaching call our main office at 440-326-1500.

Note: Games may be scheduled on a weeknight if needed.

OUTDOOR LEAGUE

AGES/GRADES: 4-K-1, 2-3, 4-6

DIVISION OF PLAY: Age 4-K-1, 2-3, 4-6

> September 6 -October 18

REGISTRATION ENDS AUGUST 24

start smart soccer

RESIDENT FEE: \$42 | **NON-RESIDENT FEE: \$52**

Start Smart Soccer, a program of the National Alliance or Youth Sports, teaches children basic motor skills and sports mechanics necessary to play organized soccer while working one-on-one and spending quality time with a parent. The program will consist of six classes Tuesdays & Thursdays at

East Park.

START SMART

AGES 3-5 years

CLASS TIME: 5:30 or 6:30 p.m.

September 9 – 25

REGISTRATION ENDS
SEPTEMBER 7

squeaky sneaker soccer RESIDENT FEE: \$42 | NON-RESIDENT FEE: \$52

Emphasis will be placed on fundamentals, team work, sportsmanship and fair play.

MONDAYS, OCTOBER 27 - DECEMBER 1 REGISTRATION ENDS SESSION 1 **SKIP NOV. 3 BOYS** & **OCTOBER 26** South **GIRLS** 5:30 or 6:30 p.m. Recreation Center **AGES** MONDAYS, FEBRUARY 2 - MARCH 9, 2026 (Inside) **REGISTRATION ENDS** SESSION 2 **FEBRUARY 1** 5:30 or 6:30 p.m.

football programs

flag football league

RESIDENT FEE: \$42 | NON-RESIDENT FEE: \$52

The league is played at East Park. Teams practice one night per week with volunteer coaches. If you are interested in coaching call our main office at 440-326-1500.

Note: Games may be scheduled on a weeknight if needed.

FLAG FOOTBALL

BOYS AND GIRLS AGES 5-6, 7-9

> September 6 -October 18

REGISTRATION ENDS AUGUST 24

tennis program

youth tennis lessons

Great program for learning basic tennis skills and coordination through games and drills. Classes will be held at the South Recreation Center on Saturdays for five weeks.

TENNIS LESSONS

RESIDENT FEE: \$42 | NON-RESIDENT FEE: \$52

Boys and Girls 4 – 12

CLASS TIMES:

10:00 a.m. Ages 4-12 | 11:00 a.m. Ages 4-12

September 27 – October 25

REGISTRATION ENDS SEPTEMBER 21

open recreation program

This FREE program is open to all children grades K–8.

The Open Recreation Program involves organized games and free play. All programs are well supervised. The program runs when school is in session. The Open Recreation program will be closed when school is closed. Registration is required to participate in Open Recreation and forms are available at the Recreation Center.

OPEN RECREATION PROGRAM

EAST RECREATION CENTER

1101 Prospect St.

GRADES K-4

Tuesdays, Thursdays 2:30-5:00 p.m.

GRADES 5-8

Mondays, Wednesday 2:30-5:00 p.m.

PROGRAM START DATE SEPTEMBER 2

youth volleyball programs

YOUTH VOLLEYBALL CLINIC 2026

RESIDENT FEE: \$42 NON-RESIDENT FEE: \$52

GRADES:

3 - 8

BEGINNERS:

PREVIOUS

EXPERIENCE:

9:30-10:45 a.m.

11:00 am.-12:15 p.m.

Grades 6-8 must enroll in Pre. Exp. Class

January 10 – February 7, 2026

Classes will be held on Saturdays

REGISTRATION ENDS JANUARY 4

JUNIOR VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE

Open to Boys and Girls Grades 3–8

Divisions of Play: Grades 3–5, 6–8.

This six game season is an instructional league for the beginning and intermediate volleyball player. All matches will be played at the West Rec Center.

<u>Previous experience in the sport of volleyball is recommended.</u>

Winter League 2026

Begins Feb. 14 - April 11

Cost: \$42 Non-Residents: \$52

REGISTRATION ENDS FEBRUARY 1

horizon education center's 21st century program

The program is designed to assist children in meeting standards, both state and local, in core academics — such as math and reading — while also providing enrichment activities.

Registration packets available at East Recreation Center.

Monday – Friday 2:30–5:30 p.m.

Program serves grades 5-8. Follows Elyria City Schools calendar.

youth basketball programs

start smart basketball league

Start Smart Basketball, a program of the National Alliance Youth Sports, teaches children, ages 3–4, the basic motor skills and sports mechanics necessary to play organized basketball while they work one-on-one and spend quality time with a parent. Games will be held at the South Recreation Center.

SESSION 1 2025	SESSION 2 2026			
South Recreation Center				
Tuesdays, October 28 - December 9 (Skip Nov. 4)	Tuesdays, February 3 — March 10			

Cost: \$42 | Non-Resident: \$52

REGISTRATION ENDS: OCTOBER 12

REGISTRATION ENDS:

basketball skills clinic

Participants ages 6-grade 3 will learn the proper fundamentals of dribbling, passing and shooting. Basic rules and fun scrimmages included. An eight foot goal can be used. Program will be held at South Recreation Center.

SESSION 1 2025	SESSION 2 2026			
South Recreation Center				
Monday, October 27 – December 8 (Skip Nov. 3)	Monday, February 2 – March 9			
Class times: 5:30 p.m. or 6:30 p.m.	Class times: 5:30 p.m. or 6:30 p.m.			

Cost: \$42 | Non-Resident: \$52

REGISTRATION ENDS: OCTOBER 26

REGISTRATION ENDS: FEBRUARY 1

"rookie" basketball league

Emphasis will be placed on learning fundamentals, team work, sportsmanship and fair play. Participants will be placed on a team with volunteer coaches. An eight foot goal will be used and games will be 4 on 4. The program will be held at South Recreation Center.

SESSION 1 2025	SESSION 2 2026		
Boys and Girls: Ages 5-6			
South Recrea	tion Center		
Saturdays, October 25 - December 13 (Skip Nov. 29)	Saturdays, January 17 — February 28		

Cost: \$42 | Non-Resident: \$52

REGISTRATION ENDS: OCTOBER 12

REGISTRATION ENDS: **JANUARY 4**

ice skating programs

fall youth basketball league

Program will be held Saturdays at South Recreation Centers. Volunteer coaches are needed. If you are interested in coaching call our main office at 440-326-1500. Teams practice one night per week at East, South or West Recreation Centers.

FALL 2025

WINTER 2026

Boys and Girls: Ages 7-9

One night per week at East, South or West Recreation Centers

Season Begins

October 25 - December 13 (Skip Nov. 29)

Season Begins

January 17 - February 28

Cost: \$42 | Non-Resident: \$52

REGISTRATION ENDS: OCTOBER 12

REGISTRATION ENDS: **JANUARY 4**

youth basketball league

Volunteer coaches are needed. If you are interested in coaching call our main office at 440-326-1500.

WINTER 2025/26

Boys and Girls: Ages 10-12, 13-16

Saturdays at East Recreation Center

Teams Practice One Night Per Week At

East, South or West Recreation Centers.

Season Begins

December 13 - February 7

Cost: \$52 | Non-Resident: \$62

REGISTRATION ENDS: NOVEMBER 30

north park ice arena

November 1, 2025 - March 14, 2026

North Park Ice Arena, 901 Duffey St. (440) 365-4251

Thursdays	11:30 — 1:30 p.m. (Homeschool Open Skate)	1:30 – 3:30 p.m. (Adults Only)	
Fridays	7:00–10:00 p.m.		
Saturdays	1:00 – 3:00 p.m.	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.	
Sundays	1:00 – 3:00 p.m	6:00 – 8:00 p.m. (Family Skate)	

ADMISSION				
	Youth	Adult	Skates	
Thursday	\$4	\$4	\$4	
Friday	\$5	\$6	\$4 \$4	
Saturday	\$4	\$5		
Sunday	\$4	\$5	\$4	
Sunday Family Skate	\$3	\$4	\$4	
Season Pass	\$60 Resident	\$70 Non-Resident		
Ice Rental	e Rental \$200/hr.			

To reserve ice time call 440-326-1504 or email KHernandez@cityofelyria.org
*\$10 Non-Resident Fee

private lessons information

Email KHernandez@cityofelyria.org to register. Lessons will be held during Open Skate Hours on Saturday & Sunday, 1:30-3:00.

Fees: \$20 | 30 min session Registration Begins: October 27

SPECIAL OPEN & HOLIDAY SKATES Skate Rental \$3					
Nov. 25	1:00-3:00 p.m.	Jan. 2 1:00–3:00 p.m.			
Nov. 26	1:00-3:00 p.m.	Jan. 19 1:00–3:00 p.m.			
Nov. 28	1:00-3:00 p.m.	Feb 16 1:00–3:00 p.m.			
Dec. 22	1:00-3:00 p.m.				
Dec. 23	1:00-3:00 p.m.	*Closed December 25 and			
Dec. 24	1:00-3:00 p.m.	January 1:			
Dec. 26	1:00-3:00 p.m.	Admission Fees: \$5 for Youth,			
Dec. 29	1:00-3:00 p.m.	\$6 for Adult,			
Dec. 30	1:00-3:00 p.m.	\$4 for Skate Rental			
Dec. 31	1:00-3:00 p.m.				

ice skating programs

skate with santa

Bring your family to visit with Santa at North Park Ice Rink this Winter season during our family open skate!

dj skate

Join us, once a month, with your friends and family and check out our live DJ who will be playing music and taking requests during Friday open skate.

HOMESCHOOL OPEN SKATE

November 6 - March 12

Thursdays

11:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Admission \$4 | Skate Rental \$4

ADULT OPEN SKATE

November 6 - March 12

No Adult Skate on November 27, 2025

Thursdays

1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Ages 18 and older

Admission \$4 | Skate Rental \$4

birthday ice skating party package

Party packages available! Times available are Saturdays & Sundays 1:00–3:00 p.m. during the Open Skate Sessions.

PACKAGE 1: \$100	PACKAGE 2: \$175	
• Admission + Skate Rental for 10 people	 Admission + Skate Rental for 10 people. Includes 3 medium pizzas (1 topping), cake, chips, and juice boxes. 	
* Additional Skaters at \$5 each.	*Additional skaters at \$8 each	
For details and to schedule a party call 440-326-1504 or email		

KHernandez@cityofelyria.org

learn to skate | lesson days & times

Learn the fundamentals of ice skating. Skaters ages 3 - Adult learn basic skills such as stopping to more advanced skills as Jumps and spins. The program is set up to be fun, challenging and rewarding. *Classes offered TBD based on staffing

SESSION I

Registration Begins: October 13 @ 8 a.m.

November 4 – December 18 Classes offered Tuesdays or Thursdays 6 Weeks

Class once per week. (No Class 11/27)

Tuesdays: 5:15 – 6:00 p.m.

Thursdays: 5:15 – 6:00 p.m.

REGISTRATION ENDS: October 31

Cost per session: \$56 | Non-Resident \$66

INCLUDES SKATE RENTAL | A \$5 late fee will be added if registered late.

SESSION II

Registration Begins: December 22 @ 8am

January 6– February 12, 2025 Classes offered Tuesdays <u>or</u> Thursdays 6 Weeks

Class once per week.

 Tuesdays
 Thursdays

 5:15-6:00 p.m.
 5:15-6:00 p.m.

 6:15-7:00 p.m.
 6:15-7:00 p.m.

REGISTRATION ENDS: January 2

Cost per session: \$56 | Non-Resident \$66

INCLUDES SKATE RENTAL

A \$5 late fee will be added if registered late.

learn to skate | lesson days & times

SESSION III

Registration Begins: February 16 @ 8am

February 24 – March 12 Classes offered Tuesdays <u>&</u> Thursdays 3 Weeks Class twice per week

Tuesdays: 5:15 – 6:00 p.m.

Thursdays: 5:15 – 6:00 p.m.

REGISTRATION ENDS: Feburary 21

Cost per session: \$56 | Non-Resident \$66

INCLUDES SKATE RENTAL | A \$5 late fee will be added if registered late.

PARENT & TOT CLASS

Cost: \$56 | Non-resident: \$66

Skates Included | Ages 2-5 years old

One adult must go onto the ice with the child with skates.

Tuesdays 6:15 - 7:00 p.m.

Thursdays

6:15 - 7:00 p.m.

Sessions TBD

TOT: Children ages 3 - 6. Classes are 40 minutes in length with 5 minutes of practice.

BEGINNER: Children ages 6 - 15. Classes are 40 minutes in length with 5 minutes of practice.

ADULT: 16 years of age and older. Classes are 40 minutes in length with 5 minutes of practice.

PARENT & TOT: Ages 2–5 years (Adult, with skates, is required to go on the ice with child.)



class descriptions

PARENT/TOT

Class is designated for parent and skater to become more at ease on the ice. Emphasis is on proper falling and standing forward and backward skating and maneuverability. We will also give parents learn to skate tips. One parent with skates on must be on ice at all times.

TOT 1

Students are shown how to stand in skates, safely fall, and the correct way to stand up. Once on the ice, the same procedures are done to get the students comfort-able with falling and standing up by themselves. Students will also learn to march, glide and dip.

TOT 2

Skaters should have a strong forward marching. Emphasis on a two foot glide with a deep knee bend. Two foot hop, swizzles, snowplow stop, and backward skating is introduced.

TOT 3

Forward marching and one foot short glides are introduced. Emphasis on the snowplow stop and backward swizzles.

BEGINNER 1

This class is designed for the beginning ice skater. Students start by learning about their skates, proper fit and how to lace and tie them correctly. Skills include skating in a straight line and gliding.

BEGINNER 2

This class introduces the skills necessary to skate backward, snowplow stop, backward two foot swizzles, turning from forward to backward, gliding backward on two feet. The skater learns one foot forward gliding. forward and backward slaloms.

BEGINNER 3

The skater is asked to refine their stroking by learning to turn the foot out before pushing. Forward and backward swizzles, two foot spin and gliding backward.



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elyria.recdesk.com/community/home, Or in person at our Main Office.

REGISTRATION JUST GOT EASIER!
We are now accepting Online registrations at

CANCELLATION POLICY/LATE FEE

The Elyria Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to cancel an activity, program or event based on insufficient registration, or inclement weather. A \$5 late fee will be added to any registration received after registration ends.

class descriptions

BEGINNER 4

The skater will work on forward outside three turn, from a T position. Forward crossovers, backward one foot gliding. and forward inside and outside edges are Introduced.

BEGINNER 5

The edges taught in the last level will now have a turn added to them. One foot spin will be reviewed and revolutions added along with the proper exit. Slide toe hop, T-Stop with an outside edge. Backward crossovers along with inside and outside edge work is introduced.

BEGINNER 6

Skaters will learn hockey stops, bunny hops, spirals, lunge backwards to forward two foot on a circle.

BEGINNER 7

Skaters will work on a Mohawk from a T position, backward crossovers, and beginning scratch spin.

BEGINNER 8

Skills worked on will be an outside and inside three turn on a circle, and forward inside pivots.

ADULT

For new skaters or for those with intermediate experience. Skaters will learn how to skate stronger and faster.



adult volleyball

programs

ADULT VOLLEYBALL LEAGUES

Matches are played at West or South Recreation Ctr.

Divisions of Play: Women's, Co-Ed (Middle & Lower Levels)

FALL 2025	WINTER 2026
IMPORTANT DATES:	IMPORTANT DATES:
Entry Fee Due :	Entry Fee Due :
Sunday, September 7	Sunday, January 4
League Play Begins: Monday,	League Play Begins: Week of January 12 - March 16

TEAMS RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING OFFICIAL BEFORE EACH MATCH

TAP follows Elyria City Schools closure for inclement weather. Please check local media for cancellations.

ADULT DROP-IN VOLLEYBALL

Program is held at West Recreation Center

Saturdays, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m**.**

November 2025 – April 2026

COST:
\$5 PER ADULT*
*(High School age and older)

HOMESCHOOL OPEN GYM-

SEE POSTED CALENDAR FOR ACTIVITIES

October 7 - May 26

Tuesday - East Rec | \$2

Thursday - North Pool/Ice Arena | \$4 - \$4 Skate Rental

Friday - West Rec | \$2

the active people

September 8 - November 17

The Active People Program is designed for all 55+ Elyria Residents to enjoy physical activities and fellowship. The program is FREE and is funded by Community Development Block Grant Funds. Must Register To Participate. Registration is Free!

Entry Fee \$195

HOURS:

9:00 a.m. –12:00 p.m. | Monday - Friday

Thomas O. Shores South Recreation
Center

101 S. Park Drive 440-322-7601

Charles M. Hyman East Recreation Center
1101 Prospect St.

C.R. Hoagland West Recreation Center
1200 Foster Ave

CHAIR EXERCISE	CHAIR YOGA	LINE DANCING	PICKLEBALL	VOLLEYBALL	TAI CHI
Mondays 11:00 - 11:45 a.m. South Rec Center	Mondays 10:00 - 11 :00 a.m. South Rec Center	Tuesdays 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. East Rec Center	Tuesdays 10:30 a.m 12:00 p.m. East Rec Center	Fridays 9 a.m 12:00 p.m West Rec Center	Mondays 10:00 a.m 11:00 a.m. South Rec Center
Wednesdays 11:00 - 11:45 a.m. South Rec Center	Wednesdays 10:00 - 11 :00 a.m. South Rec Center	Thursdays 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. East Rec Center	Thursdays 10:30 a.m 12:00 p.m. East Rec Center		Thursadys 10:00 a.m 11:00 a.m. East Rec Center

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES | Bus Trips, Craft Time, Speakers, Luncheons, Themed Parties, and Out to Lunch Gatherings

sponsorships

Because of you, holiday traditions live on in Elyria. Each season brings special annual traditions that makes Elyria a great place to live. Your time, talent, and treasure are appreciated.

Instead of coming to you with multiple requests in 2026, we are simplifying the process. Your gift can support any or all of the Elyria Parks and Recreation community events listed below.

- > Easter Egg Hunt
- > Fireworks
- > Summer Concert Series
- > Summer Day Camps
- > Cleveland Pops Orchestra Concert (Labor Day)
- > Festival of Lights
- > Finwood

Unless instructed otherwise, we will recognize your gift level on event signage, in promotions and advertising leading up to the event, on the city's website, social media platforms, and any event programs.

Bonus: If your gift is received before Friday, November 7, 2025, you will be included in this year's Festival of Lights for a total of seven promotional periods.

If you are interested in sponsoring an event, send payment and camera-ready art or ad copy to:

Nicole Edwards at nedwards@cityofelyria.org or by mail to 131 Court Street, Elyria, OH 44035.

___ Easter Egg Hunt

- \$20 Friend \$50 Patron \$100 Supporter
- \$250 Advocate \$500 Benefactor
- \$1000 Community Builder
- \$ 2500 Leadership Circle
- \$ 5000 Presenting Sponsor

Fireworks

- \$50 Friend \$100 Patron \$250 Supporter
- \$500 Advocate \$2500 Benefactor
- \$5000 Community Builder
- \$10,000 Leadership Circle
- \$25,000 Presenting Sponsor

___ Summer Concert Series

- \$50 Friend \$100 Patron \$250 Supporter
- \$500 Advocate \$1000 Benefactor
- \$2500 Community Builder
- \$ 5000 Leadership Circle
- \$10,000 Presenting Sponsor

__ Summer Day Camps

- \$50 Friend \$100 Patron \$500 Supporter
- \$1000 Advocate \$2500 Benefactor
- \$5000 Community Builder
- \$10,000 Leadership Circle
- \$20,000 Presenting Sponsor

__Cleveland Pops Orchestra Concert (Labor Day)

- \$50 Friend \$100 Patron \$500 Supporter
- \$1000 Advocate \$2500 Benefactor
- \$5000 Community Builder
- \$10,000 Leadership Circle
- \$20,000 Presenting Sponsor

___ Festival of Lights

- \$50 Friend \$100 Patron \$250 Supporter
- \$500 Advocate \$750 Benefactor
- \$1500 Community Builder
- \$ 2500 Leadership Circle
- \$5,000 Presenting Sponsor

___BONUS:

2025 Festival of Lights with paid sponsorship by 11/7/25

annual events

elyria apple festival -5k run & fun walk

Sunday, September 21 | 8:30 a.m. (rain or shine)

Pre-register at the Parks Main Office by **September 19** by 3:30 p.m. or on-line at www.cityofelyria.org/department/parks

\$15 with T-shirt \$10 without T-shirt

(must register by September 1 to receive t-shirt)

holiday at finwood

December 1-22 | 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

The Finwood Estate at 799 North Abbe Road, will be decorated for the holiday season by the Parks & Recreation Department.

Visit with Santa, on select days, and enjoy the lights and displays.

A non-perishable canned food donation will be accepted as admission.

Outside lights will remain on until January 1, 2026

Donations accepted

festival of lights

December 6 | 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Join us at Ely Square for our annual Festival of Lights. Enjoy a day with the City of Elyria with crafts, free kids books, and more. Take a walk through the lighted square and make sure to stop by and see Santa. For additional information go to our website at www.cityofelyria.org.

new programs

OPEN PICKLEBALL

Mondays & Fridays 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

East Rec Center



The Mission of the Elyria Parks and Recreation Department

is to ensure the availability of modern, safe, equitable, well-maintained, and affordable recreational opportunities that improve fitness and enhance quality of life for residents of all ages and ability levels, while promoting community cohesion and protecting the natural beauty of the environment. All programs and services offered by the City of Elyria are available without regard to race, color religion, sex, national origin, age, marital or veteran status, disability or any other legally protected status.