

Meadow Crest Playground

Components

Children use play as the instrument to learn. While some play environments exclude children with disabilities because they have barriers to mobility or there are limited opportunities for play for children with autism, accessible playgrounds provide activities for people of all abilities.

- Play is an important vehicle for developing social relationships and modeling behavior.
- Play is important in strengthening self-esteem, developing a foundation for academic learning (literacy through storytelling, science through physical exploration or environment, and math/physics through manipulation of objects).
- Play promotes the development of motor skills, sensory processing, muscle development and cause-and-effect learning.
- Play stimulates the brain to produce chemicals that can reduce brain damage.
- Play helps build receptive and verbal communication skills.



A Active Play: Early Childhood Area

This area is designed for children ages 2-5. The play area includes a nature theme with caterpillar and ladybug climbers, spinner bowls, play structure, play house, interactive panels and balance beam.

B Wavy Walk Area

The wavy walk encircles this play area. The wavy walk is a rolling sidewalk that can be utilized for all abilities using tricycles or wheelchairs. Children can stop and fill up at the gas station, stop at the stop sign and slow down in the school zone. Within the wavy walk area children can make music with the oversized musical instruments and play with interactive panels.

C Climbing Area

Walk the walk or climb the tree to the top of the play structure and to slide down the slide. Enjoy the inclusive group swing with all of your friends.

D Picnic Plaza

Enjoy some shade or protection from the rain under the shelter with your family and friends. Bring a picnic and enjoy your lunch while overlooking the playground and plan the next activity you will enjoy.

E Active Play: Older Children Area

This area is designed for children ages 5-12. The play area includes rocks and ropes climbing, play structure, and accessible swings. Challenge yourself with this more advanced play equipment.

F Painted Games Play Area

Hopscotch through the dragonfly or along the kite string, count the numbers on your way to play at the table games area or splash in the interactive water table. Draw on the chalk board or experience something new in the sensory table.

G Rolling Hills

Climb, roll, run around the rolling hills.

H Nature Play Area

The nature play is nestled amongst the butterfly garden. Outdoor classrooms provide a quiet space for group lessons and activities. Surrounding natural elements provide opportunities for children to climb on logs and boulders, hop on stumps, or cross a dry stream bed by way of a custom bridge.