The City of Homer Community Recreation Department offers terrific indoor programs at the HERC Gym and Activity Room, Homer High School and Homer Middle School. Outdoor programs like football, soccer and ultimate frisbee are also available.

Here is a resource of great free or low-cost programs available to keep you and your family active and have some fun this spring and summer!

cityofhomer-ak.gov/recreation

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**RECREATION PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES**

- Flag Football
- Football Skills
- Community Kids Summer Program
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Morning Pick Up Basketball
- Pick Up Soccer
- Evening Pick Up Basketball
- Drop In Pickleball
- Karate & Tai Chi
- Zumba Kids
- Pick Up Volleyball
- Dance Cardio

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**REGISTRATION**

- Check each listing for program fees.
- Pre-registration is required to reserve your spot.

Find us on Facebook @homerparksandrec

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**CONTACT**

Mike Illg - City Recreation Manager
- Office: 907-235-6090
- Email: communityrecreation@cityofhomer-ak.gov
- https://www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/recreation

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The deadline to be a part of the Fall/Winter catalog is August 15, 2022 for activities September - February. If you would like your program or business added or to become a contracted instructor through Homer Community Recreation, please call us today.
Community Recreation
Mission Statement
The City of Homer Community Recreation will promote community involvement and life-long learning through educational and recreational opportunities for people of all ages. This will be accomplished through maximizing usage of all community facilities and resources. While utilizing, expanding and uniting local business and school resources and expertise. Our program shall be designed to recognize cultural diversity and to address social and community concerns.

Thank You Homer Schools/Kenai Peninsula Borough School District
Most of our activities are made possible because of cooperative use of School District facilities. We extend our appreciation to the District, School Board members, school staff and administrative staff for their support of the Homer Community Recreation Division.

Parks, Playgrounds & Pavilions
The City of Homer provides many parks, playgrounds and pavilions for your outdoor recreational endeavors. Check out Hornaday Park, Bishop’s Beach and Bayview Park to name a few.

We Want You!
Volunteers or work as a contracted instructor! We strive to continually develop new and affordable programs for our community. If you have any special skills to share, or ideas for programs you would like to see offered, please give us a call at 907-235-6090.

Volunteer
If your are interested in teaching a class or helping out with the program, please contact us today at 235-6090. Thanks for your support and participation!

Code of Conduct
Proper behavior by all participants is expected at all times. Participants shall be respectful to peers, staff, equipment, supplies and facilities. Community Recreation reserves the right to terminate participation toward individuals who cannot exhibit proper behavior.

Unsupervised Children
Please do not bring children to adult classes/activities. It can be a distraction to others and creates a liability for the recreation program.

Disclaimer
Many, if not all, of the Community Recreation classes are held in the local schools. The school may require any of our classes or activities to be cancelled with limited notice. Classes may or may not be rescheduled pending time and space availability.

Advertising
Consider advertising your business, program or organization in our next guide. The publication of this activity & recreation guide is supported in part by the paid advertising that appears in it. The City of Homer does not evaluate or endorse the vendors, or the goods or services, that appear in this advertising.

Contact Us
Mike Illg, Recreation Manager
millg@ci.homer.ak.us
907.235.6090

Registration
Registration is ongoing for most of our programs, but there are some that require pre-registration. Be sure to contact instructor in advance if there is a pre-registration required! Registration for drop in activities is on site.

Refund Policy
Community Recreation will not refund, credit or prorate any classes/activities unless it is cancelled. The manager will determine a refund based on unusual circumstances on a case by case basis.

Deadline for the Fall/Winter 2022-23 Catalog is August 15
The catalog will cover activities and programs for the months of September through February. If you would like your program or business added here or would like to become a contracted instructor through Homer Community Recreation, please call us today at 907-235-6090.

PLAY EVERY DAY
Looking for a Summer Job or a New Career?

Apply today

cityofhomerak.applicantpro.com/jobs

The City of Homer Community Recreation Program is a proud member of the National Recreation and Parks Association and the Alaska Recreation and Parks Association.

2022 ARPA Conference
October 11 & 12 - Soldotna

Find out how you can attend, become a sponsor, set up a booth or learn more information by contacting Mike Illg at 907-399-6090 or millg@ci.homer.ak.us
City of Homer - CAMPING

Hornaday Campground

cityofhomer-ak.gov/recreation/hornaday-park-campground
360 W. Fairview Avenue
31 Wooded & View Campsites

Homer Spit Campgrounds

- **Mariner Homer Spit** (Milepost .04)
cityofhomer-ak.gov/recreation/mariner-park
  Scenic Beachfront Sites
- **Fishing Hole** (Milepost 2.9)
cityofhomer-ak.gov/recreation/fishing-hole-campground
  Beachfront & Fishing hole sites
  (Open year-round)
- **Tent Area 2** (Milepost 2.9)
cityofhomer-ak.gov/recreation/tent-area-2
  Oceanside Beach Camping

Camp Fees & Registration

- All campers must self-register
- RVS & TENTS: $20 per night
- Fees collected April 1 to October 30
- One RV or Tent per permit
- Display permit visibly
- 14 day limit per campsite

Campground Regulations

- Quiet Hours **11pm-7am**
- Fires must be contained within fire pits
- Dogs & pets must be on leash
- Keep an orderly campsite

To Reserve a Pavilion - Submit Form Online

cityofhomer-ak.gov/recreation/reserve-park-pavilion

- **Mariner Beach**
- **Hornaday Park (2)**
- **Bishops Beach**
- **WKFL Park**

- Ask us about other available parks for your next event.

Pavilion Reservations

- Pavilions are available to reserve for Special Events and gatherings.
- To check availability & reservations:
cityofhomer-ak.gov/recreation/reserve-park-pavilion
- Contact Parks Coordinator at 907-435-3109 if you are unable to reserve online.
Let your kids rock out to some fun music while getting some exercise (without them realizing it because they’re having fun!) Zumba Kids features age-appropriate music and moves that get kids movin’ to the beat. It’s all about feeling fearless on the dance floor, reinforcing the idea that it’s okay to just be yourself and dancing like no one’s watching!

Students will get to learn several fun dances, both as a follow-the-leader kind and breaking down the steps so students can understand. We’ll explore different countries and dances that come from those countries each week. Along with dances, we will have games that encourage movement and help make exercise fun.

**Community Kids Summer Program**

South peninsula Behavioral Health Services and the City of Homer Community Recreation Program is teaming up again to offer “Community Kids” Summer program for youth ages 6-12. There will be various games, sports, art and fun stuff happening. Space is limited! Please contact Alyssa for more information and registration at 907-399-4947.

- **WHEN:** Mondays through Thursdays, 1-4pm; June 1-August 11
- **WHERE:** HERC Building
- **FEE:** $20 per month, per participant
**Indoor Activities**

**Morning Pick Up Basketball**
Games are pick-up and called by the players. Good sportsmanship and clean indoor shoes is a must. Please do not bring children. For 7th graders and up.
- **WHEN**: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 6-7am
- **WHERE**: Homer High Gym
- **FEE**: $3 visit for adults, FREE for youth

**Evening Pick Up Basketball**
Games are pick-up and called by the players. Good sportsmanship and clean indoor shoes is a must. Please do not bring children. For 7th graders and up.
- **WHEN**: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 7-9pm
- **WHERE**: Homer High Gym
- **FEE**: $3 visit for adults, FREE for youth

**Drop In Pickleball**
Come on by and try the fast-growing sport in the country! Games are pick-up and called by the players. Good sportsmanship and clean indoor shoes is a must. Please do not bring children. For 7th graders and up.
- **WHEN**: Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 4:30-6:30pm and Sundays, 9:30-11:30am
- **WHERE**: HERC Gym
- **FEE**: $3 visit for adults, $2 for youth

**Pick Up Volleyball**
Come on by and try the fast-growing sport in the country! Games are pick-up and called by the players. Good sportsmanship and clean indoor shoes is a must. Please do not bring children. For 7th graders and up.
- **WHEN**: Sundays, 4-6pm
- **WHERE**: HHS Gym
- **FEE**: $3 visit for adults, FREE for youth

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**Outdoor Activities**

All Outdoor programs listed are held at Homer Turf Field

**Co-Ed Flag Football Program**
Sign up and learn how to play flag football! This program is for boys and girls in 4th-8th grades. For information and questions contact Coach Zank at 399-8401 or steelezank@gmail.com.
- **WHEN**: Mondays & Wednesdays
  - June 1 - July 13: 5-6pm
  - August 1 - September 14: 6-6:30pm
- **FEE**: $25 (Includes t-shirt)

**Football Skills**
Free summertime football skills and conditioning program for youth interested in high school football. For incoming 9th graders and high school age participants. For information and questions contact Coach Zank at 399-8401 or steelezank@gmail.com
- **WHEN**: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 6-7pm; June 1-July 15
- **FEE**: Free

**Pick Up Soccer**
Pick up soccer for participants in 6th grade and up. For more information contact Ginny at 1-907-398-4027.
- **WHEN**:
  - May 23 - July 17: Sundays, 6:30-8:30pm; Wednesdays & Fridays, 7-9pm
  - July 20 - August 4: Sundays, 6:30-8:30pm; Wednesdays & Fridays, 8-10pm
  - August 7 - September 18: Sundays, 6:30-8:30pm; Wednesdays & Fridays, 7-9pm
- **FEE**: $3 per visit or $20 for entire summer

**Pick Up Ultimate Frisbee**
Come join us to play this really fun outdoor activity! For more information: call Loretta at 1-575-574-8102.
- **WHEN**:
  - May 23 - July 14
  - July 18 - August 4
  - August 8 - September 8
- **FEE**: $3 per visit or $20 for entire summer
Cuong Nhu and Karate Program
Would you like to learn self-defense? Maybe you want an activity to maintain fitness? Or maybe you want something fun to do with friends and family? If so come join us! Homer Cuong Nhu came to the United States in 1971 from Vietnam where it was founded by O’Sensei Ngo Dong and draws influence from 7 traditional styles of martial arts. We don’t just teach the physical part of martial arts though. “A martial artist without philosophy is nothing more than a well-trained street fighter.” - O’Sensei Ngo Dong. Let us exercise your mind as well. For your first class wear athletic clothes and bring a water bottle. Check out our website: polarisdojo.com or contact Sensei Martha at (206) 414 8319 or at polarisdojo@gmail.com for more information.
- **WHEN:** Youth Classes: M-W-F, 4:30-5:30pm; Adult Classes: 5:45-6:45pm
- **WHERE:** HERC Activity Room
- **FEE:** Contact the instructor

Tai Chi (Taiji) and Qigong
These related health and longevity arts originated in China and are excellent for mind and body health. They are effective for managing stress, enhancing resilience, improving balance, musculoskeletal strength, heart health and mental focus. Classes are open to both beginning students and those with experience. These movement classes are done standing and stepping and designed to build skills through repetition. For questions or more information contact Dean Sundmark at 399-4508.
- **WHEN:** Thursdays, 5-6:30pm, ongoing
- **WHERE:** HERC Activity Room
- **FEE:** $6 per class

Dance Cardio with Katie Jo!
Katie Jo is back and is ready to dance with my old friends and meet new ones! She is staying close to her zumba roots with her new dance cardio class. Think less Latin and salsa but more hip hop and squats. She is excited to bring you a new class at the HERC building. Plenty of parking and space to spread out. Let me know if you have questions! Bring clean indoor shoes. Find Katie Jo on Facebook: @dancecardiowithkatiejo or email ktjo722@yahoo.com
- **WHEN:** Thursdays, 5:30-6:30pm
- **WHERE:** HERC Gym
- **FEE:** $5 per visit, FREE for youth
SUMMER PROGRAMS
www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/library

Summer Programs at the Homer Public Library

Summer Reading Program: June 4 - July 30
This fun annual program includes the summer reading challenge, wildlife bingo and the Homer scavenger hunt, among other activities.

- Kick-off Party: June 4, 3-5pm
  Get creative and have fun with a two-hour series of crafts, games and all-ages storytime.
- End of Summer Party: July 29, 5-7pm

Storywalk® Trail:

- May 15-June 15: What Do You Do with a Tail Like This?, by Steve Jenkins and Robin Page
- June 15-July 15: Chirri and Chirra and Chirri and Chirra Under the Sea, by Kaya Doi
- August 15-September 15: Berry Song, by Michaela Goade
- September 15-October 15: The Little Old Lady Who Was Not Afraid of Anything, by Linda Williams

Tuesdays: June 7 - August 2, 1:00-2:30pm - Outdoor Adventures with Coastal Studies

Thursdays: June 9 - July 7: Read Together Book Club for ages 7-12 reads The Very Very Far North by Dan Bar-el.

Teen Get Loud (ages 12-18), 6-8:00pm
- June 16 - Games and crafts
- June 21 - Movie night
- July 7 - Trivia, crafts and snacks

Gullah Geechee Culture Workshop: June 20, 3:30-4:30pm (grades K-6)
Join educator Ted Carter to learn about Gullah (Lowcountry South Carolina) and Geechee (Georgia islanders) west African culture.

Storytime & S'mores at Bishop's Beach: July 21, 7-8pm (weather permitting)

Coding for Grades 3-6: July 14, 3:30-4:30pm

Kids Book Club: 3:30-4:30pm - Read and discuss books with your friends
- July 26: Alvin Ho: Allergic to Camping, Hiking and Other Natural Disasters, by Lenore Look
- July 28: Chasing Vermeer, by Blue Balliett

Picturing Homer: Modernizing historic photos
June 29, 5-6:30pm - Part I: Explores historic photographs and recreates images with modern technology.
July 27, 5-7:30pm - Part II: Share your photos from Part I with the group.

Art in the Library, Fireplace Lounge: July & August - Exhibits by Thelma Gower, Audrey Wallace, Scott Ulmer, the Senior Friendship Center and the Brewer Family.

For more program info & Book Mobile dates
www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/library
MORE OPPORTUNITIES

Alaska Islands & Ocean Visitor Center ...... islandsandocean.org
Center for Alaska Coastal Studies......... akcoastalstudies.org
Homer Little League................................ homerlittleleague.org
T.R.A.I.L.S. .............................................. peninsulailc.org/trails.htm
Kate Kuhns Aquatic Center............... homerpool.org
Special Olympics Alaska.................... specialolympicsalaska.org
Homer Pop Warner................................. popwarnerhomer.com
Homer Soccer Association........................ homersoccer.com
Youth Theater - Pier One Theatre......... pieronetheatre.org
Kachemak Bay Running Club................. kachemakbayrunningclub.org
Kachemak Bay State Parks................... dnr.state.ak.us/parks/units/kbay/kbay.htm
Kachemak Nordic Ski Club..................... kachemaknordicskiclub.org
Keven Bell Ice Arena............................... homerhockey.org
Homer Council on the Arts.................... homerart.org
Ohlson Mountain Rope Tow.................. homerropetow.org
Kachemak Bay College............................ homer.alaska.edu
Bunnell Street Arts Center................... bunnellarts.org
Harbor School of Music & Dance............ myhsmd.com
Homer Folk School................................. homerfolkschool.org
Kbay Martial Athletics......................... kbaymartialathletics.org
SPARC.................................................. sparchomer.org
Homer Boys Scouts............................... homerpack555.org
Homer Girls Scouts............................... girlscoutsalaska.org
JUNE 21ST - 24TH

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- FUNDAMENTAL SKILL DEVELOPMENT
- TEAM CONCEPTS
- GAME APPLICATION

KENAI HIGH SCHOOL
JUNE 21ST & 22ND

HOMER HIGH SCHOOL
JUNE 23RD & 24TH

LEARN FROM SOME OF ALASKA'S BEST

RYAN ORTON
Oregon native and University of Alaska Anchorage Men's Associate Head Coach, Ryan Orton, has an extensive coaching resume that he has accumulated over 28 years in the business. He coaches with great care and attention to detail making him, without question, one of Alaska's best to learn from.

ALYSA HORN
Alaska native and founder of Make Yourself, Coach Horn is one of Alaska's most sought after basketball Skill Development Trainers and Strength & Conditioning Specialists. A former pro player for 2 years and collegiate coach for 4 years, she brings tremendous understanding of what it takes to succeed at a high level.

RYAN ENGEBRETSEN
Alaska native and with an impressive coaching resume (2018 state title and 232-87 record as Westella Warriors head coach), Coach Engebretsen is now an assistant coach with the UAA Men's team. He brings a wealth of knowledge and enthusiasm for helping Alaskans learn the game.

KENAI
JUNE 21ST & 22ND
3RD - 8TH GRADE 11:30 - 1:30PM
9TH - 12TH GRADE 2:00 - 4:00PM

HOMER
JUNE 23RD & 24TH
3RD - 8TH GRADE 11:00 - 1:00PM
9TH - 12TH GRADE 1:30 - 3:30PM

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$79

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$139

SIBLING DISCOUNT
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SUMMER 2022

ULTIMATE FRISBEE
ALL AGES!

MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS 7:30-9:30PM

$3 PER VISIT OR $20 FOR ENTIRE SUMMER AT HOMER HIGH TURF/UPPER FIELD

FOR MORE INFORMATION: CALL LORETTA AT 1-575-574-8102

CITY OF HOMER COMMUNITY RECREATION PRESENTS:

CO-ED FLAG FOOTBALL

JUNE 1 - JULY 13, MON & WED 5-6PM
AUG 1 - SEPT 14, MON & WED 6-6:30PM

OPEN TO BOYS AND GIRLS
GRADES 4-8
COST: $25

FOR INFO & QUESTIONS CONTACT COACH ZANK
AT 399-8491 OR STEELEZANKGMAIL.COM

COMMUNITY KIDS SUMMER PROGRAM

JUNE 1 - AUG 11

$20/MONTH Registration Fee

FOR YOUTH AGES 6-12
MON-THURS 1-4PM

FUN, CREATIVE GAMES & ACTIVITIES

At the HERC Building!

Contact Alyssa at 907-399-4947
For Details or to Sign Up
City of Homer Community Recreation

Registration Form

NAME: ____________________________  [ ] FALL  [ ] WINTER  [ ] SPRING  [ ] SUMMER
ADDRESS: ____________________________  HOME/CELL # ____________________________
E-MAIL ____________________________  WORK #: ____________________________
CITY OF HOMER RESIDENT?  [ ] YES  [ ] NO

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Payment is non-refundable. Classes will not be prorated. Payment for all classes MUST accompany registration form. Make checks/money orders payable to City of Homer Community Recreation or to instructor as noted in class descriptions under “Fees.” For more information, call Community Recreation at 235-6090.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND CONSENT TO EMERGENCY TREATMENT OF MINOR
The undersigned, as a participant or as parent or legal guardian of a participant in the City of Homer Community Recreation Program, recognizes and acknowledges that some of the classes involve physical activities that could result in personal injury and/or property damage. Knowing and acknowledging that there is a risk of personal injury or property damage, the undersigned, as participant and/or parent or legal guardian, agrees to assume full responsibility for any and all reasonable risks to the participant and will release, waive, and hold the City of Homer, City of Homer Community Recreation Program, KPBSD, and employees, agents, and volunteers harmless from any and all actions, causes of action, claims, demands, damages, costs, losses, expenses, and compensation on account of or in any way arising out of any and all known and unknown personal injuries and property damage that might arise from the participant’s involvement in the classes. If the participant is a minor child, the undersigned parent or legal guardian consents to the said minor child participating in classes and authorizes the City of Homer Community Recreation to obtain any and all necessary emergency medical care or treatment for the minor child, if reasonable attempts to notify the parent or legal guardian are unsuccessful.

Permission for Photo/Video
From time to time, the local news media and the Community Recreation program will take photos or video of program participants for promotional publication purposes. I hereby agree to recording of voice, appearance, activities, and participation in any program that participant, guardian or adult is involved in. I am also aware that pictures may be posted on the Community Recreation’s website and/or catalogs. Initial here if you do not grant permission.

Participant Signature (if over 18 years old) ____________ Date ____________

As parent or guardian of ____________________________

Parent’s/Guardian Signature ____________ Date ____________