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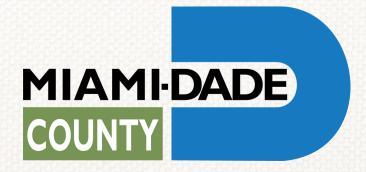
I'm Going to Gwen Cherry Park! A Social Narrative about Visiting my Neighborhood Park



Note to Park Guest

The mission of the Miami-Dade County Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department (M-D PROS) is Connecting People and Parks for Life. I can use this social narrative as a guide to assist my visit to Gwen Cherry Park. By reading this story, I can become familiar with the park amenities and have enjoyable recreational, natural, and cultural experiences. The park is open from sunrise to sunset and provides a variety of outdoor spaces for me to explore. It is a good idea to check the weather in advance and pack a bag with the necessary supplies: sunscreen, bug spray, change of clothes, snacks, and a refillable water bottle.

Welcome to Gwen Cherry Park. We hope to see you soon! MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES



This is My Neighborhood Park!



An Adventure Story about Visiting Gwen Cherry Park



Getting to the Park

I can walk, ride a bike, ride in a car, take specialized transportation services **(STS)**, or take a bus to get to the park.

For more information, I can visit: <u>https://www.miamidade.gov/global/transportation/</u> <u>home.page</u>







These are the Amenities at my Park These are some of the amenities, services, courts, sports,

and activities that are provided by my park:

Amphitheater	Football Field	Playground
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Basketball Courts	Gymnasium	Recreation Cente
Fitness Zone	Library	Restroom





This is the Amphitheater at my Park

The amphitheater is where I can watch performances. The amphitheater can get loud and distracting at times during the performances. It might be a good idea to arrive early to make sure I get comfortable seating.

For more information, I can call (305)-694-4889.







This is the Basketball Court at my Park

This is where I can play basketball. I can bring a basketball and choose to play by myself, practice drills, or play with others. The basketball court can be used by many players at the same time and can be **loud**.







This is the Fitness Zone at my Park

The fitness zone is where people go to exercise in the park. The machines have different uses, and all use my own body weight. To use the fitness zone I *should* be careful when performing these exercises, **wait** for my turn, and **read** the descriptions first.





This is the Football Field at my Park

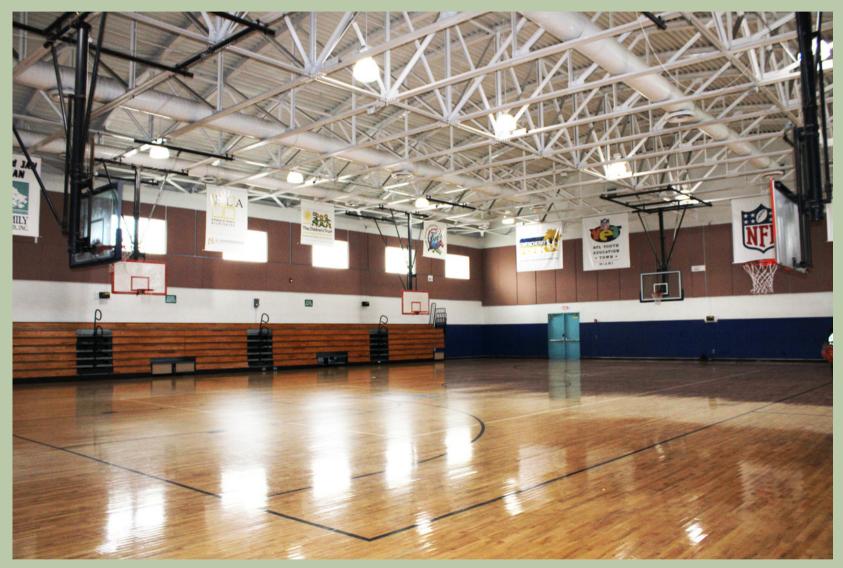
The football field is large and rectangular, with grass and white lines. There is a goalpost on each side of the field. It might be a good idea to bring my own *ball* so I can practice catching and throwing with a partner. When I play football, I may **bump** into other players to catch the ball. I can also watch football games from the stands. Football games can be **loud**.





This is the Gymnasium at my Park

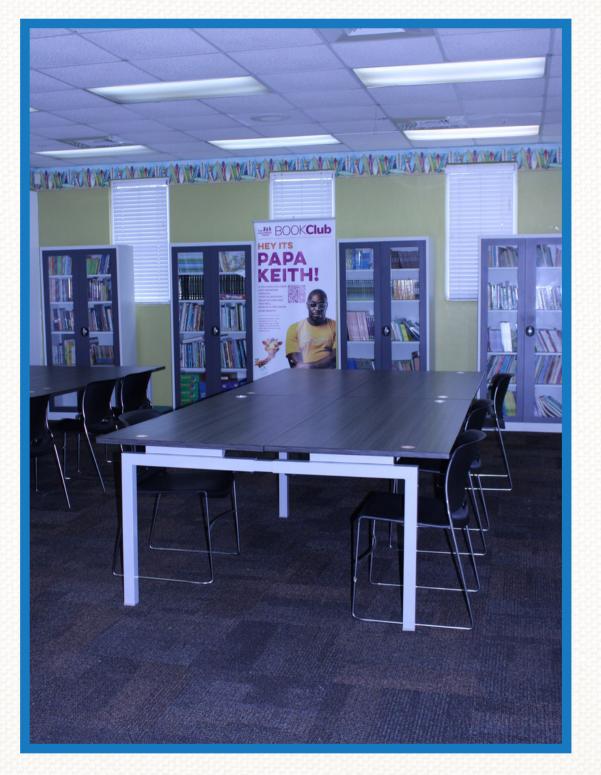
The gymnasium is where I can come to play indoor basketball and other sports. I must **read** and follow the gym rules to make sure I am safe. Gyms can be **loud**. I can *ask* the staff at the front what programs they offer and when. If I want to play indoor basketball, I can just bring a *basketball* and practice my skills or play a game.





This is the Library at my Park

Here is where I can find a quiet space to **relax** or **read**. A lot of the books here are donated by the community. There's even a book club I can *ask* the staff about if I'm interested!





This is the Playground at my Park

The playground is nature-based and offers a zip line! I can *climb*, *swing*, and *slide* down. I can play by myself and with other children. To be **safe**, I may need to **wait** for my turn and drink water to stay hydrated.





This is the Recreation Center at my Park

Here is where I can find all types of different activities I can participate in like using the indoor courts and rooms. If I have questions I can *ask* the staff located in the front. They can give me a tour of what the facility offers like sports and programs!

For more information, I can call (305)-694-4889.





This is the Restroom at my Park

There are restrooms located throughout the park. The toilet may be loud when I flush. After I wash my hands, I can dry my hands using a hand dryer. The hand dryer can be loud.







This is the Tennis Court at my Park

The tennis court is rectangular and blue. It has white lines and a net. To play tennis, I can bring a *racket* and a *ball*. I can play tennis with a partner and practice hitting the ball with the racket across the net.





This is the Thor Guard System at my Park

This is the lightning detection system at my park. It may make **loud** sounds, horns, and flashlights when there is a storm nearby. If I hear a 15-second horn with a **flashing light** on top of a building, I must go indoors or seek shelter. When I hear 3 five-second horn blasts, I can go outside and continue playing. If I need help, I can always *ask* a staff member.



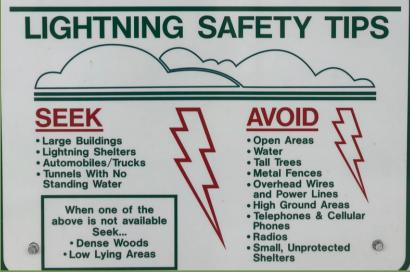
LIGHTNING WARNING

LIGHTNING IS A SEVERE HAZARD THAT MUST BE VIEWED SERIOUSLY. EVERYONE SHOULD IMMEDIATELY SEEK SHELTER ANY TIME THEY BELIEVE LIGHTNING THREATENS THEM, EVEN IF A SIGNAL HAS NOT BEEN SOUNDED.

YOU WILL BE WARNED BY OUR THOR GUARD LIGHTNING PREDICTION SYSTEM, WHICH SOUNDS ONE 15 SECOND BLAST OF THE HORN SIGNALING SUSPENSION OF ALL ACTIVITIES (IF EQUIPPED, A STROBE LIGHT WILL BEGIN FLASHING AND REMAIN FLASHING UNTIL SAFE CONDITIONS RETURN). YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY SEEK AN APPROPRIATE, SAFE SHELTER.

YOU MAY RESUME ACTIVITIES ONLY AFTER THREE 5 SECOND BLASTS OF THE HORN ARE SOUNDED AND THE STROBE LIGHT, IF EQUIPPED, STOPS FLASHING.

IF YOU REMAIN OUTDOORS AFTER THE WARNING IS ISSUED, YOU DO SO AT YOUR OWN RISK!!!





This is the Track and Field at my Park

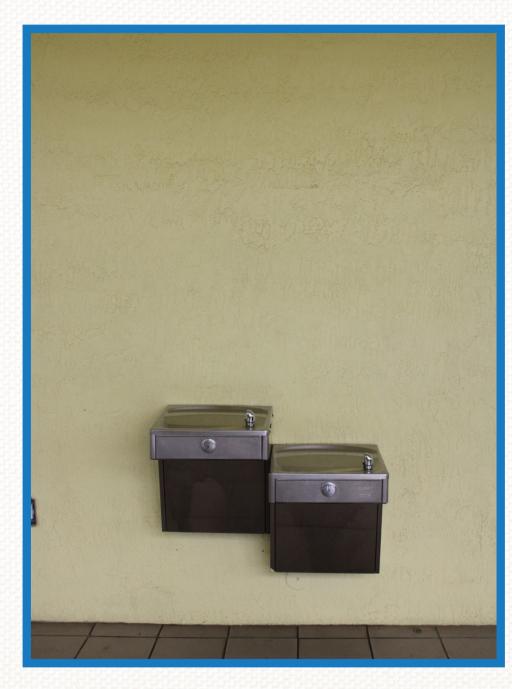
The track is oval-shaped. This is where I can come to *run* and *practice* other athletic skills such as *jumping* and *throwing*. I *should* wear running shoes or spikes when on the track. It's a good idea to remember to hydrate during the activity, stay in my line, and keep an eye out for other runners.



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This is the Water Fountain at my Park

There are water fountains located throughout the park. This is where I can refill my water bottle or drink water if I am thirsty. I should remember to stay hydrated.





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Goodbye! My visit is over. I enjoyed myself and all the amenities at the park.

I'll be back soon!



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We hope you enjoyed "I'm Going to Gwen Cherry Park" By your *Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces* Professional!

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