



Parks & Rec Department Pool Update

CONCORD, NH (July 10, 2020) – On Monday, June 22, the Mayor and City Council asked City Administration to explore the possibility of opening some of the City’s outdoor swimming pools as the Governor had recently released COVID-19 guidelines for public pools.

The staff at the Concord Parks and Recreation Department worked with the HR Department and the City’s Public Information Officer to advertise the need for lifeguards. Information on the job openings was listed on our web sites and social media sites. In an effort to make sure we reached a wide audience, we also paid for ads on Facebook and with Indeed. We also contacted last year’s employees and sent information to Swim NH, which handles lifeguard certification classes. Last week, we scheduled interviews for new applicants and asked staff to come in to fill out hiring paperwork.

Unfortunately, despite all these efforts, we were unable to recruit enough certified staff to open any pools this summer. The most significant challenge with recruiting certified lifeguards has been the lack of certification classes due to COVID-19.

In anticipation of the warm summer days ahead, the City of Concord has purchased two misting stations. These stations will be strategically placed around the City to allow folks an opportunity to cool off on hot summer days. The misting stations will be staffed by Concord Parks and Recreation staff. The locations as well as hours of operation will be available on our website and Facebook page later this month.

Please visit our web site, www.concordparksandrec.com and social media sites for updates on our summer season.