# Arts & Enrichment Birthday Parties FAQs

#### At which facilities can I have my party?

- Buck Recreation Center
- Goodson Recreation Center
- Lone Tree Recreation Center
- Sheridan Recreation Center (Creativity Lab)
- The Lone Tree Hub

#### What days and times are parties available?

- Saturdays & Sundays: 9 am 1 pm
- The Lone Tree Hub has flexible hours.

#### How long is each party?

- Parties are two hours long. The first hour is spent with a professional instructor on the activity of your choice. See party descriptions on page 2 for each party style.
- The second hour is your party in the same room. You can bring cake, decorations, open gifts, and play games of your own. No alcohol is allowed.

#### What is the maximum number of participants?

15 is the maximum. This is to ensure a quality birthday party experience for your child.

#### What is the minimum age for Art & Enrichment parties?

- Children 4+ please. Kids/siblings younger than four must each have an adult present to assist during lesson.
- Adults can book art parties too!
- We also book Boy/Girl Scout badge lessons (weekday afternoons may be available).

#### Do you decorate the party room?

- No, we only provide materials for the art or enrichment lesson, tables and chairs.
- Feel free to bring your own decorations. There are typically four 6-foot rectangular tables provided if you wish to bring table cloths.
- Please do not bring helium balloons as they can get stuck in our ceiling fans.

#### Do you provide a party host?

- No, we only provide an instructor during the art or enrichment lesson.
- Feel free to bring anything of your own to entertain the group during your one hour room rental. Cake, food and games are common items that families bring. No alcohol is allowed.

#### Can we go swimming after the art party?

With the additional cost of admission to the facility for each guest, you may go swimming afterwards! Remember to check the open swim schedule online or by calling the facility you've chosen before you make the decision.



## Arts & Enrichment Birthday Parties Party Types & More Information

### **Party Descriptions**

**Clay:** Our instructor will guide your child and guests through the process of creating an animal of your choice, silly monster, or coil or pinch flower pot. The children will glaze the piece and we will fire it (you'll pick up one box with all items, ready in 7-10 days following the party).

Available at: Goodson, Lone Tree and Buck Recreation Centers

**Painting:** The birthday child selects a subject and our instructor walks the group through the painting project. Popular themes: cupcakes, landscapes, abstract art with special colors.

Available at: Goodson, Lone Tree, Buck and Sheridan Rec Centers and the Lone Tree Hub

**Dance:** Our Academy of Dance instructors guide the children through some basic steps to create a special birthday dance. A theme chosen by the parent is encouraged (i.e. princess, hip hop, movie or character themed, etc.). You are welcome to bring props or have the children "dress up."

Available at: Goodson, Lone Tree, Buck and Sheridan Recreation Centers and The Lone Tree Hub

**Theatre:** Join Jessica, a professional theatre instructor of over 15 years, for a fun and unique birthday party. Guests/children can either create their own puppets and then stage a puppet show (all ages) or create elaborate masks and stage a comedy show (ages 10+).

Available at: Goodson, Lone Tree, Buck and Sheridan Recreation Centers and The Lone Tree Hub

**Cupcake Decorating:** Decorate cupcakes for your party! All supplies for creating the cupcakes are included. You may provide themed cupcake toppers that you purchase on your own.

Minimum age for all participants at Cupcake Decorating parties is 7 years old. Available at: Lone Tree Recreation Center only

**Creativity Lab:** Parties at the Sheridan Recreation Center's Creativity Lab are highly creative, challenging young artists to make art from new and repurposed items. The birthday child can choose a theme and the instructor will lead the group in painting on canvas or creating a 3-D project related to that theme.

**Available at:** Sheridan Recreation Center only. Weekend birthday parties at the Sheridan Recreation Center will have an extra charge of \$30 to accommodate front desk staff.

#### **Additional Information**

- We recommend starting this process no less than 3 weeks before your requested party date.
- Submit your <u>Art Party Request Form</u> to begin the booking process. You may email questions to Lauren Sigler: <u>LSigler@ssprd.org</u>.
- After receiving your request form, Lauren will contact you for payment information and to confirm
  your party location/activity and date. You will receive an emailed confirmation of payment with details
  including location, time, date and amount due.
- You will have access to the party room 30 minutes prior to the start of the birthday party to decorate.
- Please assemble your guests in the lobby before your party start time and bring them all to the activity room together. This ensures you receive the entire 1 hour art instruction experience.
- There will be a \$45 charge if the space is left dirty or if guests are in the space longer than the scheduled end time.
- Parents/guardians are more than welcome to stay for Art Parties.

