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Mayor Fulop and the Recreation Department Announce Jersey City Pools & Sprinklers to Open this Week as the Unofficial Summer Season Kicks off this Holiday Weekend!

As the temperature rises, so does the need for residents to cool off and residents are encouraged to visit a city park or pool

JERSEY CITY – To celebrate the unofficial kickoff to summer this holiday weekend, **Mayor Steven M. Fulop** and the **Department of Recreation** announce the opening of **ten pools and fifteen water sprinkler systems** citywide to help residents cool off from the heat. Beginning Friday, May 26, 2017, pools and sprinklers will be open and available for use. All sprinklers will be kept on Memorial Day through Labor Day 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., seven days a week for those looking to beat the heat. A list of pool and sprinkler locations and hours is provided below.

Swim lessons and programs are also available to Jersey City residents through the Recreation Department. The pool openings serve as a continuation of the Fulop administration’s commitment to the growth and development of recreational programs within the community. Additionally, this will be the second summer the department will offer a free fencing clinic to students; joining the other 30 new recreation programs Mayor Fulop has added since taking office. Some of which include, scuba, boxing, cricket, fitness programs, and programs for special needs athletes.

The following is a list of pools that will be open for use:

Lafayette Pool & Aquatic Center (303 Van Horne Street):

May 27th – June 22nd, Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. - 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday 10:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.; and Holidays from 12:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

June 23rd – September 4th, Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday 10:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.; and Holidays from 12:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Pershing Field Pool (201 Central Avenue): **fee required

June 23rd – September 4th, Monday through Friday from 5:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday 12:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.; and Holidays from 12:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

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Pavonia Pool (914 Pavonia Avenues):

May 27th – June 22nd, Monday through Friday from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays from 10:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.; and Holidays from 12:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

June 23rd – July 27th, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays from 10:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.; and Holidays from 12:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

July 28th – September, Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays from 10:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.; and Holidays from 12:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Public School #6 (100 St. Paul's Avenue):

June 27th – August 4th, Monday through Friday from 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Public School #15 (135 Stegman Avenue):

June 27th – August 4th, Monday through Friday from 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
August 7th – 25th, Monday through Friday 12 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Public School #16 (96 Sussex Street):

June 27th – August 4th, Monday through Friday from 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
August 7th – August 25th, Monday through Friday 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Public School #27 (201 North Street):

June 27th – August 4th, Monday through Friday from 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
August 7th – August 25th, Monday through Friday from 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Public School #39 (214 Plainfield Avenue):

June 27th – August 4th, Monday through Friday from 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Public School #40 (88 Gates Avenue):

June 27th – August 4th, Monday through Friday from 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Ferris High School (35 Colgate Street):

June 27th – August 4th, Monday through Friday from 2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
August 7th – August 25th, Monday through Friday from 1:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

The following sprinklers will open seven days a Memorial Day through Labor Day from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., weather permitting:

Arlington Park (785 Grand Street)
Audubon Park (103-129 Bergen Avenue)
Rev. Ercel Webb/Lafayette Park (Maple Street & Van Horne Avenue)
La Pointe Park (90-92 Dekalb Avenue)
Pershing Field Park (Summit Avenue and Pershing Plaza Roberto)
Roberto Clemente Park (8th Street and Brunswick Street)
Bayside Park (480 Garfield Avenue)
Dr. Lena Edwards Park (325 Johnston Avenue)
Hamilton Park (8th Street, 9th Street and Hamilton Place)

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Terrace Park (Terrace Ave. & Hillside Road)
Venator Watson Park (Stevens Ave. & Martin Luther King Drive)
Virginia Avenue Park (74 - 80 Virginia Avenue)
Wilkinson Avenue Park (146 - 152 Wilkinson Avenue)
Berry Lane Park (when open, June 25th – 1000 Garfield Avenue)
Boyd McGuinness Park (corner of Duncan Avenue and John F. Kennedy Blvd)

Proof of residency and a photo ID must be presented in order to enter the pools. Examples include a driver's license, passport, utility bill, or work ID.

Residents can also partake in additional recreational programming this summer, including: outdoor basketball, volleyball, flag football, soccer, and lacrosse. These programs, like the many others, are a reflection of the Fulop administration's goal to create a diverse offering of educational and inspiring activities for all residents.

For more information on Pools and Park Sprinklers and Learn to Swim Programs in your area please visit <http://jerseycitynj.gov/swimming/sprinklers/> or call 201-547-5003.

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