

FALL 2026 ACTIVITY GUIDE

including recreation, library, and other community programming held September through December

Registration for most recreation programs begins Aug. 3 for North Liberty residents



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HyVee Amphitheater

CENTENNIAL PARK

With the opening of Hy-Vee Center & Amphitheater at Centennial Park comes a variety of arts programming throughout the summer. The inaugural season is made possible in part by our season sponsors: TrueNorth Companies, Veridian Credit Union, Epiphany Dermatology, Dupaco Community Credit Union, MidWestOne Bank, Shive-Hattery, Corda Credit Union, and the City of North Liberty. More at northlibertyiowa.gov/shows

Elemental Circus

Sunday, July 26, 4 p.m. gates, 5 p.m. show

Free to attend thanks to North Liberty's City Slate

Performers will channel fire, air, water and earth with spinning fire torches and hoops, multiple aerialists suspended from the stage's roof, water juggling tricks, acrobalance, and more at a one-hour show.

Pianos in the Park

Thursday, Aug. 6, 5 p.m. gates, 6-8 p.m. show

Free to attend thanks to GreenState Credit Union

A high-energy and interactive dueling piano show from Howl at the Moon.

Buckets N Boards

Sunday, Aug. 9, 3 p.m. gates, 4 p.m. show

Free to attend thanks to North Liberty's City Slate

A one-hour high-energy amazing percussion, spectacular tap dancing, inventive instrumentation and clean comedy show.

Are You Ready for It? A Taylor Experience

Friday, Sept. 11, 6:30 p.m. gates

Ticketed in cooperation with The Englert Theater

Sponsored by Corda Credit Union

Recreating the magic of the Eras Tour in a spectacular, unforgettable show starring Traci Marie as Taylor, who has opened for national artists like Tony Orlando and the Righteous Brothers. This theatrical style show is filled with everything you'd expect to see from the Eras Tour; a great band, exciting choreography, stunning multimedia visuals, costume changes, and audience participation.

Gin Blossoms

Sunday, Sept. 13, 5:30 p.m. gates

Ticketed in cooperation with The Englert Theater

Gin Blossoms helped define alternative radio in the early '90s with their breakout major-label debut *New Miserable Experience*. Led by the gold-certified hit "Hey Jealousy," the album went on to sell more than four million copies, delivering enduring singles like "Allison Road" and "Until I Fall Away" and cementing the band as power-pop mainstays. Gin Blossoms remain road-tested and fan-driven, touring relentlessly and sharing stages with Collective Soul, Barenaked Ladies, and Hootie & The Blowfish. Gin Blossoms continue to turn nostalgia into something unmistakably alive.



CITY SLATE

North Liberty's City Slate is a collection of free special events planned by city staff, and our team has tons of fun in store. These events are made possible by Collins Community Credit Union, Corda Credit Union, The Eastern Iowa Airport - CID, Hills Bank,

McGrath Toyota, Pizza Ranch, South Slope Cooperative, University of Iowa Health Care, and Urban Acres Real Estate. More at northlibertyiowa.gov/cityslate.

Camp North Liberty

July 24-25	3pm Friday – 9am Saturday	Community Center
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Join the community in a backyard campout. Enjoy live music, food, games and other entertainment.

Elemental Circus

July 26	Sunday	5 pm	Hy-Vee Amphitheater at Centennial Park
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Channeling fire, air, water, and earth with spinning fire, aerialists, water juggling, acrobalance and more.

Buckets N Boards

Aug 9	Sunday	4 pm	Hy-Vee Amphitheater at Centennial Park
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High-energy, clean comedy, amazing percussion, spectacular tap dancing, and inventive instrumentation.

Street Dance

Aug 22	Saturday	5-10pm	Dubuque St. from Main to Front
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A community block party with live music, dancing, food, drinks and games.

Halloween Trail

Oct 8	Thursday	6:30-8pm	Liberty Centre Pond
Oct 9	Friday	10-11am & 6:30-8pm	Liberty Centre Pond

The trail is list by all manner of friendly ghosts and ghouls, with tricks and treats along the way.

Cedar Rapids Opera

Oct 11	Sunday	4 pm	Hy-Vee Center at Centennial Park
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The touring children's opera stops for an indoor performance. With words and music by Edward Barnes, based on "Papagayo: The Mischief Maker" by Gerald McDermott, the show features four singers using puppetry to tell the story of the creatures of the rainforest banding together to stop the Moon Dog from eating the moon.

Golden Turkey Hunt

Tuesdays	November
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Solve the clues to locate a golden medallion turkeys hidden somewhere in North Liberty.

Breakfast With Santa

Dec 5	Saturday	8am-12pm	Community Center
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Visit with Santa, eat a hot breakfast, enjoy photos and more. Registration open Nov. 7.



Fall 2026 Recreation Program Guide

The North Liberty Recreation Center offers year-round space for exercise, arts and crafts, meetings and celebrations, leagues and more.

Weekdays	6 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Weekends	8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Phone	(319) 626-5716
Web	northliberty.recdesk.com

This program guide includes information about recreation classes and programs taking place May to August 2026. Seasonal activity guides are available on-line or in person at the community center each winter (Jan-April), summer (May-Aug) and fall (Sept-Dec). We also offer a monthly newsletter featuring upcoming programming highlights from the Recreation Department, Library and other city departments. Sign up to get it delivered to your inbox at northlibertyiowa.gov/subscribe or check the city's calendar at northlibertyiowa.gov/events.

Registration for most recreation classes/programs begins August 3 and is available on a first-come, first-served basis. To register online, visit northliberty.recdesk.com and select the **Programs** button to see view activities currently accepting registration. If you do not already have an account, you will need to make one before registering. To see a video about how to set up an online account, visit northlibertyiowa.gov/recreation.

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FACILITIES & FEATURES

Gymnasiums

Our two gyms offer full-size basketball and volleyball courts, wood floors, air conditioning and bleachers for basketball, pickleball and other sports. They're in high demand, particularly during the winter, but we usually have one available for drop-in users. Included with facility passes.

Indoor & Outdoor Pools

Both pools offer zero-depth entries and diving boards, with the year-round indoor pool hosting lap swimming, aqua fitness and open swim and a seasonal outdoor pool featuring two large slides, climbing features and new upgrades. Included in Black & Gold and Silver passes.

Running Track

Our indoor track is well suited for running, walking and jogging. Strollers are welcome. Track passes are free for North Liberty residents and are available for a fee for non-residents.

Weight & Cardio Equipment

A mix of free weights, Matrix and Precor weight stations, treadmills, ellipticals, recumbent and upright bikes, steppers and rowing machines. Included in All Areas and Fitness passes.

Meeting Rooms & Conference Center

The Recreation Department offers a variety of meeting rooms that can be configured to accommodate groups smaller than 20 or up to 400. Spaces are available on the main level or lower level (Gerdin Conference Center) of the North Liberty Community Center located at 520 W Cherry Street.

FACILITY RENTALS

Gyms, pools, baseball/softball fields, park shelters, and rec center meetings rooms are available to rent for special events, practices, meetings, parties and more. Requests are accepted beginning Dec. 1 for January through April, April 1 for May through August and Aug. 1 for September through December. For more information or to inquire about availability, contact Matt Meseck via email at matthew.meseck@northlibertyiowa.gov call (319) 626-5716. Requests can also be made online at northlibertyiowa.gov/reservations-rentals.

POOL OPERATIONS

Indoor pool use is first-come, first-served for pass holders and daily drop-in patrons for lap swim, scheduled aqua fitness classes and swim lessons. All pool users will need to share lanes and space. Pass holders will need to scan their ID cards at the front desk or pay daily drop-ins fees. Please reference the indoor pool schedule at northliberty.recdesk.com or grab a copy at the Rec Center front desk.

Our outdoor pool is open for daily open swim at noon during the summer. For the first hour of each day's outdoor pool operation, pass holders can access the pool, with access opening to all users beginning one hour later until we reach capacity. Access is at the outside concessions window and gate. Pass holders will need to scan their ID cards and daily drop-in users will need to pay respective fees upon entry. Check the outdoor pool's status prior to arrival at northlibertyiowa.gov/poolstatus. Pool hours may be limited for mechanical issues or weather conditions.

CHILD SUPERVISION POLICY

Children in Grade 5 and under must be enrolled in a supervised program or accompanied by a caregiver who is at least 16 years old when using the facility.

MEMBERSHIPS & FEES

Facility use is available to members and drop-in users. Membership and daily drop-in rates are listed below.

All Areas Passes includes access to weight and cardio equipment, indoor pool and outdoor pool.

Fitness Passes includes facility access and weight and cardio equipment use.

Pools Passes includes facility access and indoor and outdoor pool use.

Gymnasium Passes include access to open gym activities such as basketball, pickleball and volleyball.

Track Passes include access to our indoor track.

Daily Fees include one-visit access to our entire facility. Punch cards for 10 visits are available for \$40.

Residents are those who live within North Liberty's corporate limits. County residents and others outside city limits with a 52317 ZIP code are classified as non-residents. Please be prepared to show ID when registering for or attending programs.

All Areas Pass		Monthly		Annual	
		Resident	Non-resident	Resident	Non-resident
Adult	Individuals ages 19 to 59	\$55	\$65	\$330	\$390
Discounted	Under 19, over 60, retired or active military and full-time students	\$45	\$55	\$270	\$330
Double	Two people sharing a residence	\$90	\$100	\$540	\$600
Family	Entire household	\$180	\$200	\$1,080	\$1,200
Fitness or Pools Pass		Monthly		Annual	
		Resident	Non-resident	Resident	Non-resident
Adult	Individuals ages 19 to 59	\$40	\$50	\$240	\$300
Discounted	Under 19, over 60, retired or active military and full-time students	\$30	\$40	\$180	\$240
Double	Two people sharing a residence	\$60	\$70	\$360	\$420
Family	Entire household	\$125	\$155	\$750	\$930
Gymnasiums Pass		Monthly		Annual	
		Resident	Non-resident	Resident	Non-resident
Adult	Individuals ages 19 to 59	\$15	\$20	\$90	\$120
Discounted	Under 19, over 60, retired or active military and full-time students	\$10	\$15	\$60	\$90
Double	Two people sharing a residence	\$20	\$25	\$120	\$150
Family	Entire household	\$25	\$35	\$150	\$210
Track Pass		Monthly		Annual	
		Resident	Non-resident	Resident	Non-resident
Adult	Individuals ages 19 to 59	Free	\$20	Free	\$120
Discounted	Under 19, over 60, retired or active military and full-time students	Free	\$15	Free	\$90
Double	Two people sharing a residence	Free	\$25	Free	\$150
Family	Entire household	Free	\$35	Free	\$210
Daily Fee		Age 3 and older		\$6	\$6
		Under 3 years old		Free	Free

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The Recreation Department offers financial assistance for memberships or programs based on need. Completed forms are sent to Hawkeye Area Community Action Program (HACAP) for certification. Once income is certified, a sliding scale is used to determine the percentage of fee to be paid. To learn more, visit northlibertyiowa.gov/financial-assistance.

MEDICARE PROGRAMS

SilverSneakers is available for qualifying Medicare recipients 65 and older, the program provides free access to some of our facilities. Learn more and check your eligibility at silversneakers.com. **Renew Active** is available for qualifying Medicare recipients, the program provides free access to some of our facilities. Learn more and check your eligibility at uhcrenewactive.com.

AQUATICS

First Aid, Lifeguard Classes and Rec Swim Team | Special Swims | Swimming Lessons | Water Fitness Classes

Registration for some of the programs below has begun. Registration for most other classes/programs begins August 3 and is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Find more information and register at the Rec Center front desk or at northliberty.recdesk.com.

FIRST AID, LIFEGUARD CLASSES & REC SWIM TEAM

Adult and Pediatric First Aid/CPR/AED

Nov 25	Wednesday	1-4pm	\$60-65
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Become American Red Cross-certified in adult and pediatric first aid/CPR/AED. This is a blended-learning class that will teach you how to care for victims with cardiac emergencies, give CPR, use an AED, care for choking victims and address sudden illness, injuries and environmental emergencies. Participants will be required to view course videos before coming to class. Open to anyone 12 and older.

Blended Learning Lifeguard Class

Sept 25 - 27	Friday - Sunday	Fri 5-9pm; Sat & Sun 9am-6:30pm	\$175-180
Dec 28 - 30	Monday - Wednesday	Mon & Tue 9am-6pm; Wed 9am-3pm	

Become an American Red Cross Certified Lifeguard to work at the pool! To participate in the lifeguard class swimming prerequisites must be met: 1) Complete a swim-tread-swim sequence without stopping to rest. Jump into the water and totally submerge, resurface then swim 150 yards using the front crawl, breaststroke or a combination of both. Maintain position at the surface of the water for two minutes by treading water using only legs. Swim 50 yards using front crawl, breaststroke or a combination of both. 2) Complete a timed event within 1 minute 40 seconds. Starting in water, swim 20 yards. Surface dive and retrieve a 10-pound brick. Return to surface and swim back 20 yards. Participants will be required to view course videos before coming to class. Must be 15 years of age by the last day of course. Must demonstrate correct rescue skills, first-aid/CPR and receive 80 percent proficiency on written exam. Interested in lifeguarding at the North Liberty Aquatic Center? Apply first as the cost of the class is covered with employment.

Lifeguard Instructor Class

Nov 6 - 8	Friday-Sunday	Fri 5-9pm; Sat & Sun 9am-5pm	\$215-220
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The Lifeguarding Instructor (LGI) course trains instructor candidates to teach American Red Cross courses including Lifeguarding, Waterpark Skills, CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers and Health Care Providers, and individuals who hold a current student-level Waterfront Skills certificate can teach the Waterfront Skills course. This course does not teach lifeguarding skills and knowledge. Individuals must come to class already knowing lifeguarding content. Candidates must pass the course pre-requisites: 1) Must be at least 17 years of age by the end of the course. 2) Demonstrate the ability to perform the following pre-requisite skills: entry, swimming approach, surface dive in deep water (7 to 10 feet), passive submerged rescue, rapid extrication (with an assisting rescuer), rapid assessment, single-rescuer CPR (3 minutes). 3) Possess and show current American Red Cross lifeguard certification and professional-rescuer CPR/AED certification. 4) Complete and provide proof of online lifeguard instructor orientation before first day of in-person class.

To pass the Lifeguard Instructor Course: 1) Successfully complete the instructor online course. 2) Attend all class sessions and demonstrate all required skills and activities to the standard. 3) Pass written final exam with a minimum score of 80 percent.

Recreational Swim Team

Sept 17-Oct 22	Thursday	7:00-8:00pm	\$36-41
Oct 29-Dec 10, no 11/26	Thursday	7:00-8:00pm	\$36-41

Has your child taken swimming lessons through Level 6? Are they not sure what they want to do next but interested in continuing to swim? Our swim team is perfect for them! Our recreational team will focus on improving stroke techniques and building endurance as well as instruction on flip turns and starts in an organized and relaxed environment. Minimum Requirements: Swimmer must have completed one session of Level 6 swim lessons.

SPECIAL SWIMS

Join us at the pool for these special family-friendly aquatics events.

Holiday Swims

Oct 19, Nov 3, Nov 18, Nov 25 and Winter Break (TBD)	1-4:00pm	Children \$3, Adults \$4
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Enjoy the pool for extended open swim hours on your breaks from school!

Floating Pumpkin Patch

Oct 25	Sunday	Ages 1-5: 9:45-10am, followed by a 45 min free swim	\$5.00 per child
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		Ages 6-10: 11-11:15am, followed by a 45 min free swim	\$5.00 per child
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The indoor pool will be full of small pumpkins. Jump in and swim to your favorite pumpkin to take home. Event includes raffles, a pumpkin decorating station and goody bags. **Parents are required to be in a swimsuit, in the water with all children ages 1-5 or with children ages 6-10 who are non-swimmers and remain within arms-length of child.**

Pre-registration required and begins Oct 18 at 8am.

SWIMMING LESSONS

Youth Group and Private Swim Lessons

Group and private swimming lessons for children are offered year-round and are in high demand. Classes include Parent & Tot (for children as young as six months), Tadpoles and Levels 1 through 6. Students must demonstrate proficiency at each level before successfully passing to the next level. Swimmers may be required to repeat levels before moving up.

Registration for lessons begins on August 3 for residents and August 5 for non-residents and is available first-come, first-served, online beginning at 6 a.m. Additional information such as level descriptions, specific time slots and fees can be found at northliberty.recdesk.com.

Group Swim Lesson Scholarships

The Esias Grimes Memorial Fund is dedicated to supporting youth residents of North Liberty by reducing group swim lesson participation fees by 100 percent for qualifying residents. Eligibility is dependent upon household income or enrollment in at least one income-based support program. Space is limited each season and applications will be considered on a first-come, first-served basis. You must have a RecDesk account in order for the Aquatics Center to credit the cost of lessons. Apply under the Aquatics tab at northliberty.recdesk.com.

Group Lessons

Sept 14–Oct 19	Monday	4:45, 5:30 or 6:15pm	\$30-40
Sept 16–Oct 21	Wednesday	4:45, 5:30 or 6:15pm	\$30-40
Oct 17–Nov 21 (levels 1 to 4)	Saturday	9:00, 9:45 or 10:30am	\$30-40
Oct 26–Dec 7, no 11/23	Monday	4:45, 5:30 or 6:15pm	\$30-40
Oct 28–Dec 9, no 11/25	Wednesday	4:45, 5:30 or 6:15pm	\$30-40

Private Lessons

Sept 15–Oct 20	Tuesday	4:40, 5:15, 5:50 or 6:25pm	\$90-100
Oct 27–Dec 8, no 11/24	Tuesday	4:40, 5:15, 5:50 or 6:25pm	\$90-100
Sept 17–Oct 22	Thursday	4:40, 5:15, 5:50 or 6:25pm	\$90-100
Oct 29–Dec 10, no 11/26	Thursday	4:40, 5:15, 5:50 or 6:25pm	\$90-100

Adult Beginner Group Swim Lessons

Sept 15–Oct 20	Tuesday	6:25-6:55pm	\$30-40
Oct 27–Dec 8, no 11/24	Tuesday	6:25-6:55pm	\$30-40

Classes for adults who want to learn how to swim and are beginners can enjoy a small group setting. Bring your swimming goals to the class and an experienced instructor will give you the tools to help you reach them! Space limited to four participants.

New! Masters Swim

Sept 1–29	Tuesday	6:45-7:45am	\$30/\$35
Oct 6–27	Tuesday	6:45-7:45am	\$24/\$29
Nov 3–24	Tuesday	6:45-7:45am	\$24-\$29
Dec 1–22, no Dec 29	Tuesday	6:45-7:45am	\$24/\$29

Our Masters Swim program is open to adult swimmers of all proficient ability levels. Coached workouts are designed to improve technique, fitness, and endurance, with options to meet individual goals in a supportive team environment. Whether you are training for competition or swimming for fitness, you'll find a place in our program. Coach Dan Pearson loves to swim, swimming since age 6 months, and an All American at Ankeny High School. He loves to coach and teach! Dan looks forward to supporting the amazing community here with technique and great effort! Drop-in practice: \$8 per class.

Adaptive Swim Lessons

Oct 18 – Nov 22	Sundays	12:00pm, 12:35pm	\$90 – 100
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One-on-one 30-minute swim lessons for children with disabilities or special needs. This program will be led by North Liberty Aquatic Center swim instructors who have had additional training to help aid teaching children disabilities learn to swim. Make-up classes cannot be offered.

WATER FITNESS CLASSES

Most registration begins on August 3. and is available first-come, first-served, online at northliberty.recdesk.com beginning at 6 a.m. Daily drop-ins allowed if class roster is not full.

Water Resistance

Sept 2-30, no 9/7	Mon/Wed/Fri	8:00-8:50am	\$42-47
Oct 2-30	Mon/Wed/Fri	8:00-8:50am	\$45.50-50.50
Nov 2-30, no 11/27	Mon/Wed/Fri	8:00-8:50am	\$42-47
Dec 2-23, no 12/25, 28, 29, 30	Mon/Wed/Fri	8:00-8:50am	\$35-40

Exercise in shallow and deep water, which results in low to no impact on your joints. Improve your posture and core strength, range of motion, flexibility, endurance, and overall muscle strength in a liquid gym. A variety of resistive and buoyant equipment may be used and will be provided. Floatation belts or Hydro Fit ankle cuffs are provided for deep water workouts. This fast-paced class is a great way to burn calories and decrease stress. Water shoes and water bottles are recommended. Instructor: Colette Soult. Ages 15 years & older. Daily drop-ins: \$5 per class.

Easy Does It

Sept 2-30, no 9/7	Mon/Wed/Fri	9-9:50am	\$42-47
Oct 2-30	Mon/Wed/Fri	9-9:50am	\$45.50-50.50
Nov 2-30, no 11/27	Mon/Wed/Fri	9-9:50am	\$42-47
Dec 2-30, no 12/25	Mon/Wed/Fri	9-9:50am	\$42-47

This water workout is slower paced with plenty of no impact options in both shallow and deep water. Resistive and buoyant equipment may be used, as well as floatation belts for the deep water and all will be provided. Improve your range of motion, joint flexibility, posture, balance, core strength and endurance. Water shoes and water bottles are recommended. Instructor: Jennifer Arturo. Ages 15 years & older. Daily drop-ins: \$5 per class.

Arthritis Aquatic Class

Sept 2-30, no 9/7	Mon/Wed/Fri	10:00-10:50am	\$24-29
Oct 2-30	Mon/Wed/Fri	10:00-10:50am	\$26-31
Nov 2-30, no 11/27	Mon/Wed/Fri	10:00-10:50am	\$24-29
Dec 2-30, no 12/25	Mon/Wed/Fri	10:00-10:50am	\$24-29
Sept 1-29	Tue/Thu	10:00-10:50am	\$18-23
Oct 1-29	Tue/Thu	10:00-10:50am	\$18-23
Nov 3-24, no 11/26	Tue/Thu	10:00-10:50am	\$14-19
Dec 1-29, no 12/24, 31	Tue/Thu	10:00-10:50am	\$16-21

This class is a recreational exercise program designed for men & women, regardless of age. This class will allow anyone to exercise without putting excess strain on joints and muscles while performing gentle range of motion exercises and stretching muscles. Participants enjoy physical benefits such as decreased pain and stiffness as well as increased muscle strength, flexibility, and joint mobility. Leaders develop a fun, friendly supportive group with lasting friendships. Daily drop-ins: \$3 per class. Instructors: Mon/Wed/Fri – Verlee Lauderbaugh, Tue/Thu – Becky Peters.

Aqua Zumba

Sept 1-29	Tuesday	7:15-8pm	\$17.50-22.50
Oct 6-27	Tuesday	7:15-8pm	\$14-19
Nov 3-24	Tuesday	7:15-8pm	\$14-19
Dec 1-29	Tuesday	7:15-8pm	\$17.50-22.50
Sept 13-27, no 9/6	Sunday	9:15-10am	\$10.50-15.50
Oct 4-18, no 10/25	Sunday	9:15-10am	\$10.50-15.50
Nov 1-22	Sunday	9:15-10am	\$14-19
Dec 6-27	Sunday	9:15-10am	\$14-19

Are you looking to try something new? Come try Aqua Zumba! The "Pool Party" experience that takes the high-energy Zumba moves and incorporates low-impact aqua fitness! The instructor is on deck for your view and come ready to work those muscles! Ages 15 and up, younger individuals may attend with an adult. Instructor: Abby Noelck. Daily drop-ins: \$5 per class if not at capacity.

Fall: Fluid Running

Sept 2 – 30	Wed	7:00-8:00pm	\$50-55
Oct 7 – 28	Wed	7:00-8:00pm	\$40-45
Nov 4 - 25	Wed	7:00-8:00pm	\$40-45
Dec 2 - 30	Wed	7:00-8:00pm	\$50-55

Fluid running is a full body workout for everyone at any age and ability. Fluid running takes place in the deep end of the pool and requires wearing a floatation belt. It is great for strength building, injury reduction, zero to low impact, and improved cardiovascular health! Ages 19+ *Fall Special: Register for September, October, and November and at the end of each month you will be credited \$10.00 making the total for 3 months \$100. Daily drop-in fee: \$12.00

Fall: Water Mindfulness

Sept 2 – 30	Wed	11:00am-12:00pm	\$17.50-22.50
Oct 7 – 28	Wed	11:00am-12:00pm	\$14-19
Nov 4 - 25	Wed	11:00am-12:00pm	\$14-19
Dec 2 – 23 (no 12/30)	Wed	11:00am-12:00pm	\$14-19

Experience the synergetic healing and relaxing qualities of both water and mindfulness. We explore breathing, water walking, and gentle exercises as a means of “being present in the moment.” These activities take place in the shallow water to accommodate individuals who do not feel comfortable in deeper water. Ages 19+

BABIES, TODDLERS & PRESCHOOLERS

Dance Camps, Classes and Special Events | Preschool Sports | Special Programs

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DANCE CAMPS, CLASSES & SPECIAL EVENTS

The mission of Tippi Toes Dance is to develop a love of dancing in children by creating a positive experience that promotes healthy living habits, helps build self-confidence and a love for others. Questions can be directed to Molly Yates at iowacitymgr@tippitoesdance.com.

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Sessions: Week of Aug 31/Sept 8–Sept. 30 (no class 9/7); Week of Oct. 5–Dec. 9 (no class 11/25); Week of Nov 9–Dec. 8. * = Oct session is longer to prepare dancers for winter recital. Participants have an optional opportunity to perform in the recital at an additional cost.

Toddler & Me

Tuesday	5:30pm	Sept	\$63
Tuesday	5:30pm	Oct	\$79
Tuesday	5:30pm	Nov	\$79
Wednesday	9:30am	Sept	\$63
Wednesday	9:30am	Oct	\$79
Wednesday	9:30am	Nov	\$63

Dance for children 18 months to 3 years of age. Music, movement, balance, and the basic dance steps are introduced in a fun, friendly and positive manner. Class includes mom, dad or another loved one participating in the class along with the little dancer.

Baby Ballet

Tuesday	5:30pm	Sept	\$63
Tuesday	5:30pm	Oct*	\$158
Wednesday	10:15am	Sept	\$63
Wednesday	10:15am	Oct*	\$142
Wednesday	5:30pm	Sept	\$63
Wednesday	5:30pm	Oct*	\$142

Transition class for ages 2-3yrs old towards the next level and to participate independently. Music, movement, balance, and the basic dance steps are introduced in a fun, friendly and positive manner. This class is for children who can participate on their own, without parental involvement. We ask parents/family members to wait outside the dance room during class to limit distractions for our young dancers. This can be flexible for the first few weeks until dancers get more comfortable in the class.

Ballet/Tap/Jazz

Tuesday	6:15pm (two classes each session)	Sept	\$79
Tuesday	6:15pm (two classes each session)	Oct*	\$198
Wednesday	6:15pm	Sept	\$79
Wednesday	6:15pm	Oct*	\$178

This class incorporates ballet, tap, and jazz styles and techniques encouraging self-expression and creativity independently for children 4-5 years old. High-energy music is used throughout the class to get dancers moving, using imagination, and having fun! We ask parents/family members to wait outside the dance room during class to limit distractions for our young dancers.

Poms/Hip Hop

Monday	6:30pm	Aug	\$79
Monday	6:30pm	Oct*	\$198

Using popular and current music, students in Grades K-2 start learning choreography quickly as well as learning various dance elements including isolations, jumps, turns, and current hip hop and poms techniques. Students will work on formations, develop teamwork skills, build self-confidence and improve rhythm all in a fun environment. Our class version is extremely tasteful and clean, and our priority is offering age-appropriate material.

Tippi Pro (Ballet/Jazz)

Monday	5:30pm	Aug	\$79
Monday	5:30pm	Oct*	\$198

Using popular and current music, students in Grades K-2 start learning choreography quickly as well as learning various dance elements including isolations, jumps, turns, and current hip hop and poms techniques. Students will work on formations, develop teamwork skills, build self-confidence and improve rhythm all in a fun environment.

PRESCHOOL SPORTS

Pee Wee Sports

Football	Wednesday	Sept 9-30	5:30, 6:15 or 7pm	\$35-40
Soccer	Wednesday	Oct 7-28	5:30, 6:15 or 7pm	\$35-40
Basketball	Wednesday	Nov 4-Dec 2, no 11/25	5:30, 6:15 or 7pm	\$35-40
Basketball (addition)	Tuesday	Nov 3-24	5:30 or 6:15pm	\$35-40

A non-competitive approach to help your child, ages 3 to 5 years old, learn sport basics, socialize, and have fun! Classes to be held in Roberts Gymnasium. Participants must be 3 by first class.

Winter Break Offerings

Basketball	Dec 21	10am	\$35-40
Football	Dec 22	10am	\$35-40
Track & Field	Dec 28	10am	\$35-40
Soccer	Dec 29	10am	\$35-40
Lil Ninja	Dec 30	10am	\$35-40

Each day a different sport for ages 3-5 years old in Roberts Gymnasium. Note: Dates & times are subject to change due to staff schedules, registration begins Nov 1.

Pee Wee - No School Play Dates

Football	Sept 21	10-10:40am	\$8 per person, per date
Soccer	Oct 19	10-10:40am	\$8 per person, per date
Basketball	Nov 3	10-10:40am	\$8 per person, per date
Track & Field	Nov 9	10-10:40am	\$8 per person, per date
Lil Ninja	Nov 18	10-10:40am	\$8 per person, per date

Scheduled play dates for ages 3-5. Held in Roberts Gymnasium. Registration required.

Rookie Basketball

Wednesday	January 20-February 17	6-7pm or 7-8pm	\$40 per player
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Introductory basketball program for co-ed Kindergarteners. Kids will be split up into 8 teams of 8-10 players. First two weeks will be practices, rotating between 6-7pm and 7-8pm. The last three weeks will be playing games from 6-7pm. Program held at Buford Garner & North Bend Elementary Schools. Volunteer coaches will referee during weeks 3-5 of program; volunteer coaches are needed for this program — please sign up if interested. Registration deadline: Nov 8.

Preschool Programs

Lil Chefs

Tuesday	Oct 6-27	6pm	\$55-60
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In this awesome 45 minute class combining fun with food, kids will create delicious treats to enjoy during class or to take home. Class is for kids ages 3 to 5. Registration deadline: Sept 29.

SCHOOL-AGED YOUTH

RECSTERS | Youth Sports - Camps, Classes and Leagues

Registration for some of the programs below has begun. Registration for most other classes/programs begins August 3 and is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Find more information and register at the Rec Center front desk or at northliberty.recdesk.com.

RECSTERS

Recsters BASP

Recsters BASP	2026-2027 school year	Before school: 7-7:55am After school: until 6pm	AM: \$90/month PM: \$260/month Both: \$300/month Hold fee: \$75 AM; \$75 PM
All-Day Dates	Sept 21, Oct 19, Nov 3, 9, 18, Feb 5, Mar 3, 10, 26,	7am-6pm	\$70/day
Holiday Camp	Dec 21, 22, 23, 28, 29, 30	7am-6pm	\$70/day

Our before- and after-school program provides recreational activities, supervision and guidance for children in kindergarten through sixth grade during the school year. Program operates on the Iowa City Community School District calendar, serving Penn, Van Allen and Garner students. All-Days and Holiday Camp require at least 10 enrollments per day; registration deadline is 7 business days prior for All-Days, Dec 12 for Holiday Camp. Current Recsters: Registration begins Aug 24 in person; open enrollment begins Sept 15 online (Nov 1 online for Holiday Camp, space allowing). To check availability and for more information, contact Matt Fielder at mfielder@northlibertyiowa.gov or call (319) 626-5716 for more information or to inquire about openings.

YOUTH SPORTS - CAMPS, CLASSES & LEAGUES

Outdoor Soccer – Fall

Hybrid Practice – Grades 1-3	Mondays or Tuesdays	5:30-6:30pm	\$90 per player
Hybrid Practice – Grades 4-6	Tuesdays	5:30-6:30pm	\$90 per player
Hybrid Games – Grades 1-3	Saturdays	9:00am-12:00pm (TBD)	
Hybrid Games – Grades 4-6	Saturdays	12:00-2:00pm (TBD)	
Recreational – Grades 1-3	Thursdays	5:30-6:30pm	\$60 per player
Recreational – Grades 4-6	Thursdays	5:30-6:30pm	\$60 per player

Outdoor Soccer, featuring two options — recreation or hybrid divisions — is being offered for Grades 1-6. Jason Witt and his coaches will be combining professional coaching with an age-fun, introductory program for new, co-ed players in a recreational environment. Hybrid players will receive one night of guided practice with a staff coach and league games on Saturday mornings. Recreational players will work on fundamentals one day of the week — Thursdays with no league games. Emphasis is on skill development and learning the game of soccer. Register by Aug. 16. Program will be held at Penn Meadows Park. Rain out Line: rainoutline.com.

Cross Country

Thursdays	Sept 10–Nov 8	6pm (Sept-Oct), 5pm (Nov)	\$35 per person
Sundays (no meet)	Sept 10–Nov 8	2pm	
Sundays (meets)	3 local meets, dates TBD	2pm	

Does your child have a lot of energy and love to run? Join us for the third year of NL Cross Country. Participants will join 45-60 minute practices and three local meets. We run in rain or shine unless there is lightning. Dress appropriately and bring a water bottle! Parents are welcome to run with the kids. Distances based on age: 2K for 6-8 years old; 3K for 9-12 years old; 4K for

13-14 years old; 5K for high schoolers (15-18 years old) welcome to join after their school season ends. Practices at Penn Meadows Park; Sunday non-meet practices at Centennial Park. Volunteers are always welcome and needed to run with the kids at practice and to put on successful meets! Contact Stephanie Moore at CorridorCrossCountry@gmail.com to volunteer or for more information.

School Age – Winter Break Offerings

Dec 21	Basketball	11am	\$8 per day
Dec 22	Football	11am	\$8 per day
Dec 28	Track & Field	11am	\$8 per day
Dec 29	Soccer	11am	\$8 per day
Dec 30	Floor Hockey	11am	\$8 per day

Keep your 6-8-year-olds active, social, and having fun with five exciting day camps. Each 50-minute session is coached by our recreation staff, designed to teach sport fundamentals in a positive, engaging environment. Must be 6 years old by first class. Held in Roberts Gymnasium. Dates & times are subject to change due to staff schedules; registration begins Nov 1.

School-age 6-8 Years Old – No School Play Dates

Sept 21	Football	11-11:50am	\$8 per person, per date
Oct 19	Soccer	11-11:50am	\$8 per person, per date
Nov 3	Basketball	11-11:50am	\$8 per person, per date
Nov 9	Track & Field	11-11:50am	\$8 per person, per date
Nov 18	P.E. Games	11-11:50am	\$8 per person, per date

Scheduled play dates for ages 6-8. Held in Roberts Gymnasium. Registration required.

Design a Diorama

Saturday	November 21	10am-12(noon)	\$30-35 per person
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Ages 6 and older, come join us for a diorama making class. Participants will leave with a finished diorama. Materials are provided, but you provide the imagination! Registration deadline: November 11.

Youth Competitive Team Boys Basketball League

Grade 4	Monday	Oct 12–Dec 21	6-9:30pm	\$385 per team
Grades 5 & 6	Thursday	Oct 15–Dec 17, no 11/26	6-9:30pm	\$385 per team
Grade 7/8	Monday	Oct 12–Dec 21	7-9:20pm	\$385 per team

Officiated 5 on 5 basketball for boys. Team oriented program where an entire team and coach sign up. Each team will play 5-8 games, depending on the number of teams. Games will be played at the NL Recreation Center. Registration deadline is Sept 13. Maximum of 8 teams per division.

Supreme Youth Basketball

Grades 1-2	Saturday	Jan 2–Feb 20	\$55
Grades 3-4	Saturday	Jan 2–Feb 20	\$65
Grades 5-6	Saturday	Jan 2–Feb 20 (season ends Feb 27)	\$75

Cooperative multi-city program, boy/girl divisions designed to teach game fundamentals and to provide equal participation, as of the Fall 2026 school year. Games times vary 9am-6pm depending on the team the child is placed on. Games will be played at NL, CV & Tiffin Recreation Centers, Buford Garner and Van Allen Elementary Schools. If you sign up in NL, you'll be placed on a North Liberty Team; CV – Coralville team; Tiffin – Tiffin team.

Dec 6 is the start of practices for Grades 3-4 and 5-6 practices could be Sundays, Monday, Tuesdays, or Wednesdays depending on volunteer coaches schedule. . Jan 2 is the first team practice for Grades 1 & 2 and scrimmage for Grades 3-6. All games begin Jan 9. Grades 1 & 2 practice the first 40 minutes, then play two 14-minute half games. Registration deadline: Nov 8.

ADULTS & SENIORS

[Fitness Classes](#) | [Adult Leagues and Open Gym](#) | [Special Programs](#)

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FITNESS CLASSES

We offer a variety of fitness and wellness classes. Most sessions are offered on a monthly basis, with drop-ins allowed for a fee if space permits.

Total Body Sculpt

Mon & Wed	Sept 2-30, no 9/7	6-7pm	\$24-29
Mon & Wed	Oct 5-28	6-7pm	\$24-29
Mon & Wed	Nov 2-30	6-7pm	\$27-32
Mon & Wed	Dec 2-21, no 12/23, 28, 30	6-7pm	\$18-23

Put the fun back into your workout! Boost metabolism, tone muscle, increase strength and cardio endurance using free weights, body weight and other equipment. We will hit all the major muscle groups including twenty minutes of ab and core work. All fitness levels welcome. Ages 14 and up. Instructor: Sandi Cook, ACE Certified. Daily drop-ins: \$5 per class.

Body Blast

Tue & Thu	Sept 1-29	6-7pm	\$27-32
Tue & Thu	Oct 1-29	6-7pm	\$27-32
Tue & Thu	Nov 3-24, no 11/26	6-7pm	\$21-26
Tue & Thu	Dec 1-22, no 12/24, 29, 31	6-7pm	\$21-26

Motivating workout: 25 min low-impact aerobics to ramp up your heart rate; 20 min strength training with free weights to increase strength and tone; 15 min abdominal work. Ages 14 and up. Instructor: Sandi Cook, ACE Certified. An on-line option is available to work out from home, discussed through the instructor. Daily drop-ins: \$5 per class.

Zumba

Tue & Thu	Sept 1-29	5-5:45pm	\$27-32
Tue & Thu	Oct 1-29	5-5:45pm	\$27-32
Tue & Thu	Nov 3-24, no 11/26	5-5:45pm	\$21-26
Tue & Thu	Dec 1-29, no 12/24 & 31	5-5:45pm	\$24-29

A cardio focused class infused with Latin dances and hip-hop. Variances to the steps are offered to ensure it is adaptable for all fitness levels. It is a fun class, with no judgement on skill level. Come join the party! Daily drop-ins \$5 per person. Instructor: Abby Noelck.

Intermediate Yoga

Sunday	Sept 6-27	4-5:15pm	\$30
Sunday	Sept 20 (Yoga Nidra)	4-5:15pm	\$15
Sunday	Sept 27-Oct 25	4-5:15pm	\$75
Sunday	Nov 1-29	4-5:15pm	\$75
Sunday	Dec 6-13	4-5:15pm	\$30
Sunday	Dec 20 (Yoga Nidra)	4-5:15pm	\$15
Sunday	Dec 27	4-5:15pm	\$15

A functional blend of different schools of yoga, we explore body and mind with a gentle start to a balanced workout for body and time for the mind to rest. Yoga experience is desired but not required. Please bring your own yoga mat, strap, and water bottle. Instructor: Deb Cannon. Daily drop-ins: \$15 per class.

Community Vinyasa Yoga

Tue & Thu	Sept 15-29	6:30-7:30pm	\$50
Tue & Thu	Oct 1-29	6:30-7:30pm	\$90
Tue & Thu	Nov 3-24, no 11/26	6:30-7:30pm	\$70
Tue & Thu	Dec 1-22, no 12/24, 29, 31	6:30-7:30pm	\$70

All levels welcome. Class includes grounding, flow, balance, strength and breathing techniques. This practice explores body & mind by connecting breath & movement. Ages 16 and up, please bring your own yoga mat and water bottle. Instructor: Mariah Charipar. Daily drop-ins: \$10 per class.

Hapkido JiuJitsu

1x per week (Tue or Thu)	Sept 1-29, Oct 1-29, Nov 3-24 (no 11/26), Dec 1-22 (no 12/24, 29)	8-9pm	\$60
2x per week (Tue & Thu)	Sept 1-29, Oct 1-29, Nov 3-24 (no 11/26), Dec 1-22 (no 12/24, 29)	8-9pm	\$100

Martial arts class with strong roots from both Korea and Japan. An all-encompassing system that uses both hard and soft movements/techniques. Ground fighting and weapons are also part of the curriculum. Students will learn nerve, blood, and bone strikes. This is a combat-oriented style. Ages 17 and older. Instructor: Paul York.

Taiji Classes

Taiji Club (July-Dec)	Sunday	4:45-5:45pm, continues through Dec 20	\$120
Taiji Garden (July-Dec, no 11/27, 12/25)	Friday	6:35-7:35pm, continues through Dec 18	\$120
Taiji Level 1 (Sept 13–Nov 8)	Sunday	3:45-4:45pm	\$80
Taiji Level 2 (Sept 11–Oct 30)	Friday	5:20-6:30pm	\$120

Learn fundamental Taiji movements: ward off, roll back, press and push in a Four Hands form. At the end of the session, students will know what Taiji is! Taiji Club is for students who have completed Level 4 and Taiji Garden is for students that have completed Level 2. The instructor will inform you of conflicts when class is not offered. Instructor: Haiming Chen, Tammy Fraser.

Taekwondo – Youth & Adults

Tue & Thu	Sept 1–29	5-6pm	\$100 per person or \$160 for 2 family members
Tue & Thu	Oct 1–29	5-6pm	\$100 per person or \$160 for 2 family members
Tue & Thu	Nov 3–24, no 11/26	5-6pm	\$100 per person or \$160 for 2 family members
Tue & Thu	Dec 1–22, no 12/24, 29, 31	5-6pm	\$100 per person or \$160 for 2 family members

WT and Master Nick Messersmith, Head Instructor and Head Coach of the University of Iowa Taekwondo Program and Team, teaches respect, discipline, and self-control. Learn kicks, hand strikes and forms for respective levels. Sparring coach is available to students who want it. Beginner and advanced levels provided. Instructor: Nick Messersmith. Daily drop-ins: \$10 per day.

Personal Trainer Megan Turner

Becoming healthier is not only about looking good, but also about *feeling good*. Regular exercise and better nutrition can prevent and reverse chronic diseases, increase mood and energy level, increase sleep quality, improve depression and lower anxiety and stress. Sessions are 45 min each. Only morning sessions are available during the summer. Once signed up, please reach out to the instructor to set up date/times for your sessions by email to the trainer at megturnercoaching@gmail.com. 1 session \$95; 3 sessions \$240; 5 sessions \$350.

ADULT LEAGUES & OPEN GYM

Adult Co-ed Volleyball

Sunday	Sept 13–Nov 15	5-8pm	\$95 per team
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Six-player, self-officiated league with two divisions for anyone 18 years (women not in High School VB) or older at North Liberty Community Center. Registration deadline: Aug 23. Maximum of 8 teams.

Men's Basketball

Sunday	Sept 13–Nov 15	4-8pm	\$410 per team
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Officiated 5 on 5 league for men 18 and older (not in HS). Games held at NL Recreation Center. Max of 8 teams. Registration deadline: Aug 23.

Open Gym Activities

Adult Volleyball	Fridays	6-9pm	\$6 or membership
Pickleball	Sundays	8am-12pm	\$6 or membership
Pickleball	Monday-Friday	6am-12pm	\$6 or membership
Pickleball	1st, 3rd & 5th Fridays	6-9pm	\$6 or membership
Basketball	1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 2nd & 4th Fridays	6-9pm	Free

We try our best to meet the numerous demands for our two gymnasiums, keeping some open play for one's favorite sport — be it pickleball, basketball, or volleyball. Monthly gymnasium schedules will be posted to help identify the busiest times or limited play options. Ages: 18 years & up (not in high school).

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

55+ Connections Lunch

Ongoing	Fridays	11:30am-1pm	\$5
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Come for lunch, play an activity, listen to speakers or just socialize at the North Liberty Community Center. Must call the Rec Center at (319) 626-5716 or go online by noon on Thursday to make a reservation. Meal is served at 11:30 a.m., followed by an activity or speaker from 12 to 1 p.m. Monthly flyers will show meal providers, activities and speakers.

Euchre Club

Ongoing	Fridays	1:30-3:30pm	Free
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Come play Euchre at the Community Center. No experience is needed; we can teach you the game. Come with a partner or we can pair you with someone. Sign up online, over the phone, or in person at the Recreation Center.

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS & SPECIAL EVENTS

Family BINGO Night

Sept 8, 15, 22	Tuesdays	6-7pm	Free
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Come play BINGO with the entire family! A chance to win some great prizes as well as share some time together! Register through Rec Desk by Sept. 2.

Cedar Rapids Kernels

Aug 14	Friday	6:35pm	\$7+; Free for kids under 3
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Enjoy a night at the Kernels with family, friends and neighbors. Tickets are free for kids under 3. Kernels will face Quad Cities. Tickets may be free if enough sponsors support this event. Transportation is not provided.

Star Party with TAKO

Friday	September 25	6-9pm	Free
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Fall nights and the stars are out! Take A Kid Outdoors offers this event to view planets, stars and other celestial bodies with help from local amateur astronomers. Spend the evening under the stars, listen for owls and other nocturnal creatures and come out early to see Jupiter in the daytime! Stay for nighttime snacks including gourmet s'mores and refreshments..

Halloween Trail

Thursday	October 8	6:30-8pm	Free
Friday	October 9	10-11am	Free
Friday	October 9	6:30-8pm	Free

Added time slots to meet the high demand! Please park at the Community Center and walk through the Ranshaw Way underpass over to Liberty Centre Pond. The pathway will be lit by all kinds of friendly ghosts and ghouls guiding you along the way. Trick or treat along the trail at various booths while supplies last. Costumes are welcome but not required. Feel free to snap photos/selfies to share on social media. This is a family event for all ages, but children must be supervised by an adult.

Pumpkin Painting & Carving

Wednesday	October 14	6-8pm	\$15
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Come to the Rec Center and enjoy this drop-in activity time. Painting or carving a pumpkin just in time for the season. Kids will get to pick out their pumpkin to carve or decorate... or both! Materials will be provided to get the job done. Treats included too.

Euchre Tournament

Sunday	October 25	12(noon)	\$20 per team
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Only 1 person on team needs to sign up. Payouts for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place. Recsters Room.

Floating Pumpkin Patch

Sunday	October 25	Ages 1-5: 9:45-10am, followed by a 45 min free swim	\$5
Sunday	October 25	Ages 6-10: 11-11:15am, followed by a 45 min free swim	\$5

The indoor pool will be full of small pumpkins. Jump in and swim to your favorite pumpkin to take home. Event includes raffles, a pumpkin decorating station, and goody bags. **Parents are required to be in a swimsuit, in the water with all children ages 1-5 or with children ages 6-10 who are non-swimmers and remain within arms-length of child.**

Registration is required and begins Sunday, Oct 18 at 8am.

City-wide Trick or Treat

Saturday	Oct 31	5-8pm	Free
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Houses with lights on throughout town. Children must be accompanied by an adult for these events.

Golden Turkey Hunt

Tuesdays	Month of November
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Use a set of clues to locate 4 golden turkeys hidden around North Liberty. Each Tuesday in November, a new turkey will be hidden, and a new clue will drop to those subscribed to our special event emails. All turkeys will be on public land. Each turkey rewards the person that found it with a prize package — examples such as a free Black & Gold Family Annual Pass, a North

Liberty year-long event fun pass and so forth. Open to everyone. Contact Matt Meseck at mmeseck@northlibertyiowa.gov or call 626-5716 for more information. There is a limit of one win per household per year.

Elf on the Shelf Scavenger Hunt

November 27–December 23	Select local businesses	Free
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Santa needs your help as multiple elves escaped Santa's workshop during the summer. Reports have been coming in from all over the corridor that these elves have made their way to North Liberty. Visit businesses, find elves, and get friendly employees to stamp guides. Once all locations are visited/stamped return guide to Rec Center to be rewarded with a prize. Be respectful and do not go into areas of business that are restricted to the public and take your time while hunting elves to support participating businesses.

Holiday Vendor Fair

Saturday	December 5	8am-Noon	\$15 for vendor spot
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Local vendors will have items on display and available to purchase in Roberts Gymnasium. To sign up as a vendor, contact Matt Meseck at mmeseck@northlibertyiowa.gov or call 626-5716. State if you need electricity.

Breakfast With Santa

Saturday	Dec 5	8am-12pm	Infants to 10 years old	Free
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Registration opens one month out (Thurs., Nov 7th), to visit with Santa, eat a hot meal from Lions Club, enjoy photos by Sandi Spurrell, crafts, view a model Christmas Village and model train for everyone to enjoy. Registration deadline is Dec 1 and is limited to 700; no walk-ins allowed.

Santa's Workshop

Dec 9–23	8am-8pm
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Come visit Santa's workshop, enjoy a cup of hot chocolate by the fire, send a letter to Santa, join in some activities, and get into the holiday spirit with holiday décor & festivities.

Board Game Checkout

Visit the Community Center and enjoy a quick board or card game for free. We have a place to play and around 30 exciting games to choose from. You can also check out with a credit card to take home and play for a month at a time. All games are easy enough for most kids 6-8 and up to play yet have enough strategy & themes for adults to enjoy together. This is a great alternative to video gaming, providing valuable family time and cooperation with others.

Fishing

Check out rod and reels if fishing is your fancy. Many of our local ponds are stocked with fish and offer the opportunity to find your favorite fishing hole. Check out is through the North Liberty Community Center during regular facility hours. A deposit will be collected for rod and reel use and will be refunded upon return of undamaged equipment. Open to anyone ages 12 and older. Download a map of the ponds where fishing is available in North Liberty at northlibertyiowa.gov/departments/parks/parks-trails.

Free Gym Nights

Designated free nights to play basketball in Jones Gymnasium will be offered from 6 to 9 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays and second and fourth Fridays of each month. Subject to cancelation for special events or programs. No team practices allowed. Regular facility supervision rules apply.

Outdoor & Nature Education (O.N.E.) Packs

Exploring the outdoors continues! Ten backpacks filled with fun and educational activities are available to get children/families engaged in outdoor exploration. Packs are prepared with the support of the Resource Enhancement and Protection Conservation Education Program and can be taken to local parks or natural areas. Themes include: Birds, Animals of Iowa, Trees, Insects, Outdoor Skills, Aquatic Habitats, Creatures of the Night, Wildflowers & Prairies, Rocks & Minerals and the Wild Turkey. These packs are free to check out, any day of the week, upon completion of check out forms and deposit.

Rec Fun Packs

Looking for an activity to do with your kids? Reserve fun games and equipment from the Recreation Department. Portable games can be reserved for summertime fun. Games should be returned the same day if at all possible. Games include horseshoes, croquet, lawn darts, bocce ball, speedminton, corn hole, agility packs, a four-way net, a giant Sorry game and yard dice games.

Recreation Trails

Even in winter, our parks team clears our trail system — all 25 miles of it. And with recent years' emphasis on expanding and connecting, it's even easier to find a route that suits you and your family. Our trail system not only offers safe places for

beginning bicyclists but assists many who log miles of walking or running and connects to the larger trail system throughout the county. You can get a map of the **North Liberty Trail Corridor Network** or the larger **regional trail system** online.

Fall 2026 Library Program Guide

The North Liberty Library offers year-round space for reading, learning, arts and crafts, meetings and celebrations, workshops and more.

Mon-Thurs	8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Friday	8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Saturday	10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday	1 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Phone	(319) 626-5701
Web	northlibertylibrary.org

This program guide includes information about some of the library programs taking place May to August 2026. We offer a monthly newsletter featuring upcoming programming highlights from the Recreation Department, Library and other city departments. Sign up to get it delivered to your inbox at northlibertyiowa.gov/subscribe or check the city's calendar at northlibertyiowa.gov/events.

Learn more about upcoming library programs at northlibertylibrary.org.

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FACILITIES & FEATURES

Library Cards

Get a free library card at the library or register online at northlibertylibrary.org under the Use the Library tab. That card grants access to our physical and digital collections.

Fine Free

The North Liberty Library is fine free. Patrons will be notified by text message or email of overdue material, and items unreturned for more than eight weeks are subject to the replacement cost of the materials.

Meeting & Study Rooms

Rooms for individual study or group work, as well as for nonprofit, general informational, educational, cultural and civic purposes, are available at no charge.

Learning Center

Home to our regular indoor story times as well as a space for engagement and interactive play.

Teen Lounge

A safe space for teens and tweens to meet, play, connect and engage.

Adventure Pass

Looking for a weekend adventure or something to do when the kids are out of school? Use your library card to reserve FREE access to select Iowa attractions. Visit northlibertylibrary.org/adventure-pass for complete details and to reserve passes.

StoryWalk

North Liberty's permanent StoryWalk, made possible by Veridian Credit Union, is located at Liberty Centre, 795 W Cherry St. Readers of all ages are invited to get outdoors, connect with nature and explore books along the way.

Library Services

The library has many FREE services:

- Check out **computers, laptops and e-tablets** you can use in the library
- Enjoy **great interactive programming** for all ages

- Take on one of our reading challenges, including the **Summer Reading Program** and the **Winter Reading Challenge**
- Join a **book club** or listen to one of our **podcasts**
- Need help finding something? Our **friendly library staff** are available to answer your questions or help you locate materials

You can explore and discover great information about these services on the library's **website**, and access thousands of free ebooks and eaudios through Digital Johnson County.

While you're there, click on the **Reference tab** and scroll down to see a variety of FREE resources where you can gain access to thousands of movies and documentaries for free on *Kanopy*, learn new languages on *Mango Languages*, access test prep materials with Mometrix eLibrary,, plus access daily news from The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, and The Washington Post.

BABIES, TODDLERS & PRESCHOOLERS

DoodleBugs

Ongoing	4 th Monday	10:30am	Free
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Join the Cedar Rapids Museum of Art for their inspiring and creative DoodleBugs monthly program. Every class starts with a book and ends with imagination and creation! Check the library website for program dates and times.

Playful Parenting

September 4 –October 2	Fridays	10:30-11:45am	Free
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Join us for a fun and play-based Playful Parenting Group, the cornerstone program of our Family Place Library designation. The group offers a relaxed and informal time for families to play, learn and talk with local child development and early literacy specialists. This group is geared toward families with children ages 1 to 3 but open to families with children ages 0 to 5. Registration required and opens August 31 at forms.gle/fnfrJGhJb7UT6R5v7

Pied Piper

Strings	October 8	Thursday	9am	Free
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Join Orchestra Iowa's talented String, Percussion, Woodwind and Brass Chamber Ensembles as they introduce preschool-aged children to the instruments of the orchestra! Focused on fun and learning, Pied Piper programs offer children the opportunity to enjoy an up-close and personal 30-minute chamber concert.

LIBRARY STORYTIMES

Storytime is held in the Library's Learning Center (located in the Children's Area) .

Storytime with Belle

September 26	Saturday	10:30am	Free
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Join us for a special family storytime with Belle. Kids will enjoy stories, a craft, and a chance to meet Belle. Thank you to Corda Community Credit Union for making this event possible.

Baby Storytime

Ongoing	Tuesdays	10:30am	Free
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This storytime is geared for ages 0 to 2 and consists of a short book, songs, rhymes, fingerplays and fun.

Toddler Storytime

Ongoing	Fridays	10:30am	Free
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Geared for ages 18m to 3, Toddler Storytime consists of one or two books, songs, rhymes, fingerplays, bubbles and dancing.

Family Storytime

Ongoing	Saturdays	10:30am	Free
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Family Storytime features books, songs and fun for children 5 and under.

SCHOOL-AGED YOUTH

Super Tuesdays

Ongoing	1st Tuesday	4:30pm	Free
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Join us for weekly crafts and activities geared towards K-4th graders, like DIY Squishy Soap and Pop-tart Gingerbread Houses.

T&T

Ongoing	2nd Tuesday	4:30pm	Free
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Join us weekly for crafts and activities geared toward teens and tweens, like Spider Web Slime, video games, and board games.

Lego Creations

Ongoing	3rd Tuesday	4:30pm	Free
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K-12th graders can stretch their imagination by joining the youth & teen librarians for a monthly Lego building session!

<https://northliberty-ia.whofi.com/calendar/event/5613201>

Mid-Autumn Festival Celebration

September 22	Tuesday	4:30pm	Free
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Celebrate Mid-Autumn Festival with Midwest Chinese Academy! Enjoy a festive storytime, try a simple Chinese phrase, taste mooncakes, and make a mooncake craft together. This playful program is a fun and welcoming way for children and families to explore a traditional Chinese holiday through engaging activities. No Chinese experience needed! Offered in partnership with the Midwest Chinese Academy Chinese Culture Club.

Papercrafting with Emily Mallory

October 1	Thursday	6pm	Free
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Come learn how to make your own origami creations. Recommended for ages 7 and older, younger children are welcome with an assisting adult/parent. All supplies are provided.

Pokemon Trading Card Swap

October 27	Tuesday	4:30pm	Free
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Bring your Pokémon binders and cards to trade Pokémon cards with fellow card enthusiasts. Open to kids in 3rd-8th grade.

T&T Nerf Wars After Hours

November 13	Friday	5:30-8pm	Free
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Nerf wars in the library is back! Bring your friends for pizza, snacks, games, crafts, and fun. Scream, shout, run around with us after hours at the library. You can bring your unmodified nerf guns or borrow one of ours. Registration required at

<https://northliberty-ia.whofi.com/calendar/event/5643912>

Life-Sized Candyland

December 11, 5-7 pm	December 12, 12-5pm	Gerdin Conference Center	Free
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Pass through the Peppermint Forest and over the Gumdrop Mountains in a race to King Kandy's castle! For a limited time, journey through the magical land of sweets. Stop by the transformed Gerdin Conference Center for a life-sized version of a beloved childhood game. Register at <https://northliberty-ia.whofi.com/calendar/event/5643922>

Winter Break Movie

December 21	Monday	1pm	Free
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Schools out! Enjoy a movie at the library. Light snacks will be provided and feel free to bring along lidded drinks and additional snacks along with blankets and/or pillows for your comfort.

ADULTS & SENIORS

55+ Connections Lunch

Ongoing	Fridays	11:30am-1pm	\$5
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Come for lunch, play an activity, listen to speakers or just socialize at the North Liberty Community Center. Must call the Rec Center at (319) 626-5716 or go online by noon on Thursday to make a reservation. Meal is served at 11:30 a.m., followed by an activity or speaker from 12 to 1 p.m. Monthly flyers will show meal providers, activities and speakers.

55+ Connections Tuesday Gathering

Ongoing	Tuesdays	10am	Free
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Join us for a weekly social gathering of rotating activities and friendly conversation - board games, puzzles, art, book discussions and more!

Channel Surfing: TV Trivia

September 3	Thursday	6:30pm	Free
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Think you know television? Test your knowledge at Trivia Night! We'll look at classic TV, kids shows, and more. Teams can be made up of five people or fewer, but you don't have to bring a team. Individuals can work together or separately. Members of the winning team will receive a small prize.

Fix-It Cafe

Sept 26	Saturday	1 – 4pm	Free
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Join us at the library to repair household items, technology, clothing, and more! We will have volunteers to help guide you through simple repairs, and space for you to do your own.

Spooky Book Bingo

October 30	Friday	6:00pm	Free
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Gasp! What was that noise? In the dark library, after hours, what could it possibly be? Was it a ghost saying "boo"? No! It was you, yelling "BINGO"! That's right, Book Bingo is back and this time things are going to be mysterious and maybe even a little frightening. Teens and adults are welcome to come play bingo for a chance to win a thriller, horror, or mystery book from our handpicked selection. Costumes are encouraged, snacks are provided, and registration is required.

Registration required at <https://northliberty-ia.whofi.com/calendar/event/5643918>

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS & SPECIAL EVENTS

Costume Closet

Oct 3 & 4	Saturday & Sunday	Library hours	Free
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<https://northlibertyiowa.org/departments/community-relations/ranshaw-house/north-liberty-summer-lunch-fun/>Clean out the costumes your kids have outgrown and shop North Liberty's Costume Closet. During the month of September, the North Liberty Library will host a costume drive to collect gently used Halloween costumes. Staff will organize the donations to hold this free Costume Closet shopping event

Cold Blooded Redhead

October 7	Wednesday	6:30pm	Free
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Lindsay Butikofer is a local reptile enthusiast who has recently pursued her passion of sharing reptiles/invertebrates. She will bring several of her various lizards, snakes, arachnids and more to the library to get up close and personal with attendees!

Lindsay wants to give kids and adults alike the chance to learn, discuss, touch and even hold some reptiles.

Johnson County Healthy Aging Fair

Sept 16	Wednesday	12pm-3pm	Free
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Swing by the Community Center for an afternoon of clinics, freebies, classes, advice, and local information at the annual Healthy Aging Fair. This year's fair coincides with Welcoming Week, as everyone is aging so everyone is welcome! Individuals from over 60 organizations will be ready to talk to you about a wide variety of social, physical, financial, and mental health topics, such as grip strength, home modifications, vaccinations, agility, balance, scams, pet ownership, assistance, accessibility & mobility, housing, meals, and more! The fair is free to attend, thanks to a collaboration between the University of Iowa Csomay Center for Gerontological Excellence, Johnson County, City of North Liberty, and other local entities. No registration necessary, just drop in.

Cookie Walk

Dec. 5	8am-12pm	\$10/dozen
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Sweeten your season and support a cause! Pick your favorite cookies as you stroll through a wonderland of homemade holiday treats while they last. Proceeds benefit Friends of the North Liberty Library