

# Parks and Recreation FAQ

## General Information

**Q. Where is your office located?**

A. 204 Carson St. Commerce, GA 30529. American Veterans Memorial Park.

**Q. What are your office hours?**

A. 8:30am to 5pm – Monday thru Friday

**Q. What is your phone number?**

A. 706-335-3236

**Q. What is your mailing address?**

A. P.O. Box 348 Commerce, Georgia 30529

**Q. Who are the athletic staff employees?**

A. Scott Rodgers - Director

Ricky Woodruff - Athletic Director/Assistant Director

Scott White - Athletic Coordinator

## Athletic Information and Registration

**Q. What sports programs are available for youth?**

A. Baseball, Basketball, Softball, Soccer, Football, Track, Cheerleading, Baton Twirling, Swimming, T-Ball, Flag Football, Flag Cheerleading, and Competition Cheerleading.

**Q. What sports camps are offered in the summer?**

A. Baseball, Soccer, Tennis, Basketball, and Swim Lessons.

**Q. How do I find out about upcoming registration dates?**

A. The best way is to view our activity guide. We have paper copies available for you to pick up here at the recreation department. Otherwise, feel free to give us a call at 706-335-3236.

**Q. I am new to Commerce Recreation Department, what do I need to register my child?**

A. Generally, we request a copy of a birth certificate. We can make copies here at the office. Also, we request that you bring your child in for registration so we can fit them for tee shirts or other equipment as needed for each sport/activity.

**Q. Where can I register for youth sports?**

A. In person, at our office at 204 Carson St. Commerce, GA 30529.

**Q. My child does not attend Commerce City Schools but is interested in participating in youth sports can he/she still register?**

A. Mostly, yes. Our track, football, and competition cheer programs require children to either attend Commerce City Schools or live within the city limits of Commerce. However, if your child's local recreation department does not offer track, football, or competition cheer then they may be eligible to participate with Commerce Recreation teams. All other programs are available for children regardless of school attendance or address.

**Q. What age can my child begin participating in youth sports?**

A. We have programs beginning at ages 2 & 3 with our Tot Soccer program.

**Q. What sports/programs are available for adults in the community?**

A. Adult Basketball, Commerce Run Club, Dance Class, Water Aerobics, and Non-Impact Aerobics.

**Q. What is the cost of sports programs for my child?**

A. Depends on the sport, and if you live inside or outside the city limits of Commerce. Most sports programs range from \$75 to \$95. Programs for children 5 and under are typically \$50 to \$75. Sport camps generally range from \$40 to \$60.

**Q. Are athletic program scholarships available for my child(ren)?**

A. Yes, depending on the sport, and if applicants meet the appropriate criteria. \*Scholarships are not available for summer sports camps.\*

**Q. How do I volunteer to coach a youth sport?**

A. Please call us at 706.335.3236 or come by the recreation department office at 204 Carson St. Commerce, GA 30529.

Park Information & Rentals

**Q. Handicap Accessibility?**

A. Yes, we have a wheelchair accessible area to enter our office.

**Q. What amenities does American Veterans Memorial Park have?**

A. Walking trail, baseball/softball fields, tennis courts, swimming pool, playground, picnic shelter, community room, and indoor restrooms.

**Q. Can I rent a baseball/softball field for a tournament?**

A. Yes, our rental fee for one field is \$15 without lights per hour and \$25 with lights per hour. To rent fields for an all-day tournament please call 706.335.3236 for other rates or questions.

**Q. Is the walking trail at American Veterans Memorial Park around the pond open to the public?**

A. Yes, unless otherwise posted our pond is available for individual and family enjoyment, and is handicap accessible.

**Q. What other parks are in the City limits of Commerce?**

A. Richard Ridling Park - 414 Shankle Heights Commerce, GA 30529

Spencer Park - 1645 South Elm St. Commerce, GA 30529

Willoughby Park - 338 Clayton St. Commerce, GA 30529

**Q. Do you have indoor facilities for receptions, meetings, and parties?**

A. Yes, we have a community room available for rental at American Veterans Memorial Park that holds approximately 100 people. Rental cost is \$75 for 4 hours and \$150 for a full day rental. Also, we require a \$50 deposit fee, that we return when the key is returned, and the room is in good order. Tables, chairs – seating for 70, electrical outlets and restrooms are available at no additional charge.

**Q. How late can I stay if I choose to rent the community room?**

A. We ask that everyone have the community room cleaned up and ready to leave by 11pm.

**Q. Can I rent the community room on holidays?**

A. Yes, if we have an available date on the calendar any day is a possibility.

**Q. Do you have outdoor facilities for parties and receptions?**

A. Yes, Willoughby Park has a covered picnic pavilion space available that sits roughly 30 people. Rental is free with \$25 returnable deposit when key is returned. Electrical outlets and restrooms are available.

**Q. When is the pool open to the public?**

A. Memorial Day through early August. Memorial Day week we are open Monday thru Saturday. After Memorial week we are open Wednesday – Saturday 1 – 5pm.

**Q. How much is the daily admission to the pool?**

A. Children 3 and under is free. Youth, ages 4 to 18 is \$1.50. Adults 19 and up is \$3.

**Q. Can I purchase a season pool pass?**

A. Yes, we have season passes starting at \$35 per individual in city, \$40 out of city, and \$50 in city for a family of 4 or less, and \$55 out of city for a family of 4 or less. Add \$10 per each additional family member after 4.

**Q. Is the pool handicap accessible?**

A. Yes, we have a pool lift with remote control as well.

**Q. What amenities does the pool have?**

A. Restrooms, Showers, Lounge Chairs, Concessions, and an 180,000 gallon swimming pool between 4' and 8' deep.

**Q. Can you rent the pool for pool parties?**

A. Yes, we have varying rates based on the number of people expected at the party. Also, pool parties are only available on Saturday evenings for 2 hours. \$150 for 50 swimmers or less. \$175 for 51 to 75 swimmers, and \$200 for 76 to 100 swimmers. Call for reservations at 706-335-3236.