

# Veterans Park District

## Programs & Happenings

### Early Childhood

#### Building Blocks

##### Preschool 2025-2026 • Ages 3-5

Our preschool is designed for children ages 3 to 5, focusing on physical, social, intellectual and creative development. We believe children learn best through play, which helps them communicate, explore, solve problems and make decisions. Our curriculum, based on Illinois Early Learning Standards, combines free play with teacher-guided activities that introduce letters, numbers, colors and shapes.

- 9 a.m.-Noon; Bulger Park 1601 Hirsch St., Melrose Park; Three-day fee – R\$203/NR\$233 or two-day fee – R\$141/NR\$171 per month plus \$100 nonrefundable deposit; School year runs Sept. 8, 2025-May 8, 2026.

#### Storybook Creations • Ages 2-5

Books come to life in this imaginative class! Each session features a beloved children's book, followed by a themed craft, movement game or sensory play related to the story.

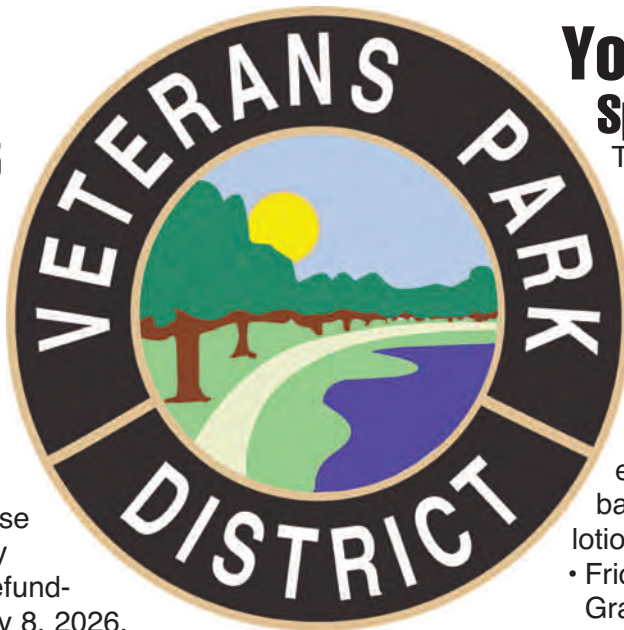
- Wednesdays, Oct. 29-Nov. 19, 12:15-1 p.m.; Class is held at Bulger Park Community Center, 1601 Hirsch St., Melrose Park. Fee – R\$40/NR\$50; Participants must meet program requirements (2's required to attend with adult); Minimum number of participants per session/week is five.

#### Tiny Tunes & Tumbles! • Ages 2-5

A high-energy class filled with music, movement and simple tumbling! Parents and tots will sing, bounce, stretch and tumble their way through fun, developmentally appropriate activities. This class is great for building coordination, balance and confidence.

- Thursdays, Oct. 1-22, 12:15-1 p.m.; Class is held at Bulger Park Community Center, 1601 Hirsch St., Melrose Park; Fee – R\$40/NR\$50; Participants must meet program requirements (2's required to attend with adult); Minimum number of participants per session/week is five.

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on our upcoming programs,  
(708) 343-5270,  
or check our website at  
[www.vpdpark.org](http://www.vpdpark.org)  
or our Facebook Page  
for updates.**



### Youth

#### Spunky Spa Party • Ages 6+

Treat yourself to a vibrant self-care experience with a fun and relaxing program. Participants will enjoy mini facials complete with refreshing cucumber slices, followed by personalized nail decorating to express their colorful personalities. They'll get creative at the DIY bath bomb station, where they can mix and mold their own fizzy creations to take home. Each guest will also decorate a cozy spa headband to wear during the session and beyond. To wrap up the experience, everyone receives a take-home goodie bag filled with a mini bath bomb, nail file and soothing lotion.

- Friday, Sept. 19, 6:30-8 p.m.; This program is held at Grant Park, 44 W. Golfview Dr., Northlake; Fee – R\$25/NR\$35.

#### The Art Mix • Ages 6+

Students will enjoy this fun and creative mixed media art class! They'll have the opportunity to explore a variety of materials and techniques, which may include painting, collage, sculpture, clay and drawing. Dress for a mess — paints are permanent!

- Mondays, Oct. 20-Nov. 24, 6:30-7:30 p.m.; This program is held at Grant Park, 44 W. Golfview Dr., Northlake; Fee – R\$75/NR\$85.

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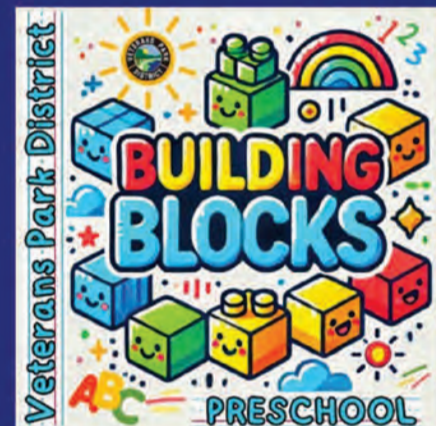
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VETERANS PARK DISTRICT

# BUILDING BLOCKS PRESCHOOL AT BULGER PARK

Ages 3-5 | Monday-Friday | 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM



### ● Program Goals

- Build group respect & security
- Encourage sharing & routines
- Promote responsibility & problem-solving
- Foster an engaging and supportive classroom atmosphere

### ■ Pricing & Schedule

Day	R/N Fees
M W F	\$203/\$233
Tu Th	\$141/\$171

This is a 9-month program with monthly payments.

### ✦ About the Program ✦

Focus on physical, social, intellectual & creative growth

Curriculum follows Illinois Early Learning Standards

Combines free play with guided activities

Snack provided daily

### ■ Registration Requirements

- Visit our website, call, or email

#### 🌐 Website:

[www.vpdpark.org](http://www.vpdpark.org)

#### ☎ Call:

708-731-5290

#### ✉ Email:

[gregstanczyk@vpdpark.org](mailto:gregstanczyk@vpdpark.org)

### ■ Schedule a Tour

- Meet the Teacher & Staff
- See the Preschool Classroom

**Register Now**

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# Autumn Fest

**RAIN OR SHINE!**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 • 11 AM-3 PM  
GOUIN PARK, 2400 SCOTT STREET, FRANKLIN PARK**

**\$20 WRISTBAND FOR UNLIMITED  
USE INCLUDES:**

- Trackless Train
- Pony Rides
- Petting Zoo
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(while supplies last)

**Individual tickets for sale. Ticket prices  
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**FAMILY FRIENDLY HOUR: 5-6 PM**



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# HAUNT

## ON HIRSCH STREET

### FAMILY BLOCK PARTY

**Friday, October 17 • 6-8 PM • Rain or Shine!**  
**Bulger Park | 1601 Hirsch Street | Melrose Park**

A free family block party on Hirsch Street brought to you by Veterans Park District and the Melrose Park Youth Commission. Visit our gallery of haunted spooky displays and take a selfie.

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