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Election Day - Saturday, May 14, 2011

A municipal election for the City of Lancaster will be held Saturday, May 14, 2011, for the election of:

- Councilmember for District 2
- Councilmember for District 4
- Councilmember for District 6**

***Single member District 6 election cancelled by City Council Resolution No. 2011-03-22.*

Only legally qualified voters of District 2, and 4 shall be entitled to vote for councilmember in their respective district. The last day to register to vote in the May 14, 2011 municipal election is April 14, 2011.

Early Voting

Early voting will be conducted at the Lancaster Veterans Memorial Library at 1600 Veterans Memorial Parkway and Dallas County branch locations on the dates and times below:

- Monday, May 2, 2011 through Friday, May 6, 2011**
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- Saturday, May 7, 2011** 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- Sunday, May 8, 2011** 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- Monday, May 9, 2011 through**
Tuesday, May 10, 2011 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

During the early voting period, registered voters may vote at any Dallas County early voting location.

A complete list of Dallas County early voting locations are available at www.dalcoelections.org.

DO YOU KNOW WHERE TO CALL?

Airport	972-218-1274	Fire (Non-emergency)	972-218-2600
Animal Services	972-218-1200	Focus Daily (Newspaper)	972-223-9175
Atmos Energy (Gas)	800-460-3030	Police (Non-emergency)	972-218-2700
Building Inspections	972-218-1200	Housing	972-275-1750
Cable (Time Warner)	866-618-1257	Life Center (Seniors)	972-218-3780
Chamber of Com./Visitor's Center	972-227-2579	Library	972-227-1080
City Hall	972-218-1300	LISD Administration	972-218-1400
Code Compliance	972-218-1200	Motor Vehicle Registration	214-653-7811
County Elections Dept.	214-637-7937	Municipal Court	972-218-1334
Constable Derick Evans	972-228-0006	Outreach Center	972-227-0138
Country View Golf Course	972-227-0995	Parks & Rec. Center	972-218-3700
County Health Dept. (Immune.)	214-819-2100	Planning & Zoning	972-275-1720
County Tax	214-653-7811	Post Office	800-275-8777
Dallas County Precinct 1	972-228-2272	Power to Choose (Electricity)	866-797-4839
Development Services	972-218-1200	Public Works	972-275-1700
Driver's License	469-272-9301	AT&T (Telephone Service)	800-464-7928
Economic Development	972-218-1315	Water Billing	972-218-1328
Employment-City Job Line	972-218-1313	Water/Sewer Repair	972-218-2324

May 14, 2011 Election Day

On Election Day, voting will be conducted at 2 polling locations by precinct number from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. as noted below:



Precinct Number

3800, 3801, 3802
 3803, 3804, 3805
 3806, 3807, 3808
 3809, 3810

Lancaster Veterans Memorial Library
 1600 Veterans Memorial Parkway
 Lancaster Elsie Robertson Middle School
 822 W. Pleasant Run Road



Got Knowledge?

Do you have specialized knowledge, an ability to plan for the future, or an enthusiastic interest in improving the quality of life right in your own community? Do you want to be more involved at a local level where you see the results of your time and efforts? The City of Lancaster needs people who have a strong interest in the community to serve on one of the City’s many boards and commissions. You can read about our various boards and commissions below. Join others who volunteer on a City of Lancaster board or commission. Submit your application today! It’s a great investment in Lancaster’s future.

PROPERTY STANDARDS AND APPEALS BOARD

The Property Standards and Appeals Board has five regular members and one alternate member who serve pursuant to State Law and the Lancaster City Code. Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. Members must be residents of Lancaster and must be qualified by experience, common knowledge, and/or training regarding matters of construction and the provisions of the Housing and Substandard Building Code. The Board is charged with the protection of the health, safety, morals and welfare of the citizens of Lancaster. The Board must also establish minimum standards applicable to residential and non-residential structures. The Board’s decisions are authoritative in nature.

LANCASTER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (Type A)

The Board is composed of five members who serve three-year terms. Members are required to be residents of the City. The Board administers funds and projects using the ¼ cent sales tax receipts dedicated to economic development purposes pursuant to the Development Corporation Act of 1979, Article 5190.6. Meetings are held quarterly on the third Thursday at 6:30 p.m. This Board is commissioned to review applications for incentives and make recommendations to the City Council for approval.

HISTORIC LANDMARK PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

This Committee is composed of five regular members and one alternate member who are appointed to staggered terms by the Planning and Zoning Commission (P&Z) and confirmed by the City Council. Meetings are conducted on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Qualifications to serve on HLPC are as follows: two members must have expertise in architecture, planning, landscape architecture, interior architecture or real estate appraisal. One member must be a representative from the Lancaster Historical Society. All must have knowledge and experience in the history, art, or architecture of Lancaster. The purpose of the Committee is to become familiar with the buildings, land, areas, and districts within the City that may be eligible for designation as historic landmarks. The Committee serves in an advisory capacity to P & Z.

AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD

The Airport Board has six members appointed for two-year terms and an alternate member appointed annually. Residency within the city limits is not required; a working knowledge of airport operations is recommended. Meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month. This Board serves in an advisory capacity and makes proposals to Council regarding the operation, expansion, improvement, and maintenance of the Airport.

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD; LANCASTER RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (4B)

The seven appointed members serve both boards for two-year terms. An alternate member serves a one year term. The Development Corporation administers projects using the ½ cent sales tax to help develop and diversify the recreational, educational, and cultural aspects of the City. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board advises City Council on present and future parks and program development and on use policy for the parks and recreation system. Members must be residents of the City. Meetings are held on the third Monday of the month at 6:00 p.m.

LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

The Library Board has seven members who serve two-year terms. An alternate member is appointed annually. Members must be residents of Lancaster. The purpose of the Board is to promote public interest in the Library; to coordinate projects and services for the Library; and to recommend Library policies to the City Council. Meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month. The Board serves in an advisory capacity.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

This Board is a statutory board created pursuant to State Law. Members must be residents of the City. Five members are appointed to serve staggered two-year terms. An alternate member is appointed annually. Meetings are currently held at 6:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month. The Board hears appeals based on determinations made in the enforcement of the zoning ordinance and decides special exceptions to the terms of the zoning ordinance in certain cases. This Board renders authoritative decisions.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

The Planning and Zoning Commission is a statutory board created pursuant to State Law and Lancaster City Code. Members must be residents of the City. Five members are appointed to two-year terms. Members review, hold public hearings, and make recommendations to the City Council regarding requests for change in zoning district classifications; text changes to the City's Zoning Ordinance; and permanent zoning to be given newly annexed areas. The Commission makes recommendations of persons to be appointed to the Historic Landmark Preservation Committee (HLPC), with confirmation of appointments by the City Council. The Commission also makes some final decisions on matters forwarded to the Commission from HLPC. Meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month.

ANIMAL SHELTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

This five member and one alternate Committee serves in an advisory capacity to help the Animal Shelter meet state requirements for animal welfare. This Committee meets as needed.

YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Youth Advisory Committee provides for youth participation in municipal government in an advisory capacity. The Youth Advisory Committee evaluates relevant issues and submits recommendations to City Council. Members of this committee must be 15 years of age and older to be considered and will serve a one year term. In addition, an adult sponsor(s) may be appointed to the committee.



BOARDS & COMMISSIONS APPLICATION

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work/Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____ Length of residency: _____

Occupation: _____

Please list the Boards/Commissions/Corporations you wish to serve on in order of preference.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Have you ever served as a member of any Lancaster boards, commissions, or committees?

YES

NO

List any particular qualifications you feel would be beneficial to serving on any particular board or commission. You may also attach additional sheets as well as a resume.

To be an effective member of a Board or Commission, you must be willing to attend and participate in all scheduled meetings.

For consideration during the annual appointment process,
please submit your application by
July 11, 2011.

Applications are always welcome as vacancies may occur throughout the year.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please return your completed application to the City Secretary's Office at 211 N. Henry St., or mail your application to P. O. Box 940, Lancaster, TX 75146 or fax to 972-218-1399.

Office Use Only

Received by: _____ Date: _____



Go to www.lancaster-tx.com and click on Civic Leadership Academy III for an application and class schedule.

Mission

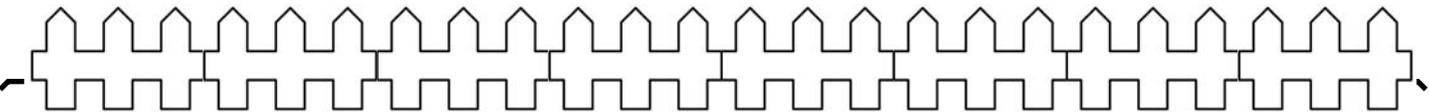
- To improve citizens' understanding of city government
- To develop citizen understanding of their role in city government
- To provide an opportunity for citizens to become more involved in civic democracy
- To see how tax dollars work to improve quality of life for all residents
- To provide an inside look at the operation of the City of Lancaster

Structure

- Free to participants
- Weekly 2 hour classes (Thursday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.), September 8th – November 3rd
- Light meal provided at each class for participants only
- Graduation Ceremony to be held at the November 14, 2011 City Council Meeting

Selection

- Deadline to apply for the academy is August 19, 2011
- 20 residents will be selected
- Notification of acceptance will be received no later than August 26, 2011



Did you know that the City Council recently passed a new & improved fence ordinance?

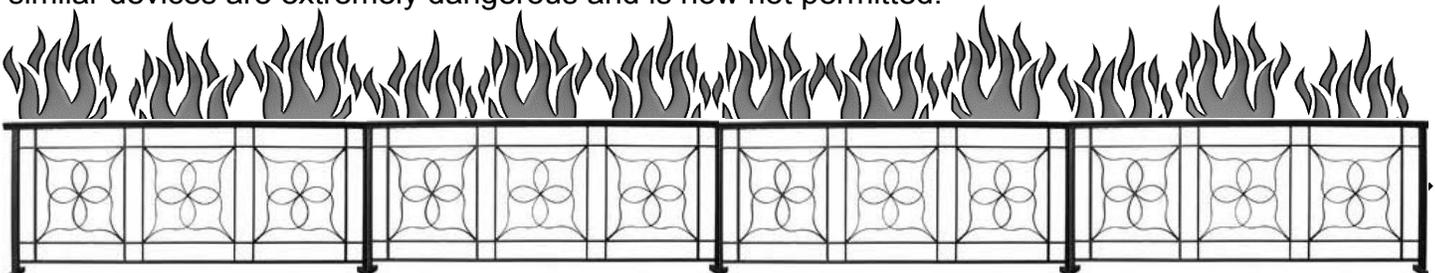
What does this mean for you?

- Your rear and side yard fence can now be eight feet tall.
- If you already have a chain link fence in the front yard, upon repair or replacement it must stay the same height as when it was originally built.
- If you are going to build a new fence, don't forget to get a permit. Without a permit, you may receive a permit fee penalty.

Do you live in an apartment with a balcony?

What does this mean for you?

The use of any open flame cooking devices such as charcoal grills, outdoor fireplaces or any other similar devices are extremely dangerous and is now not permitted.



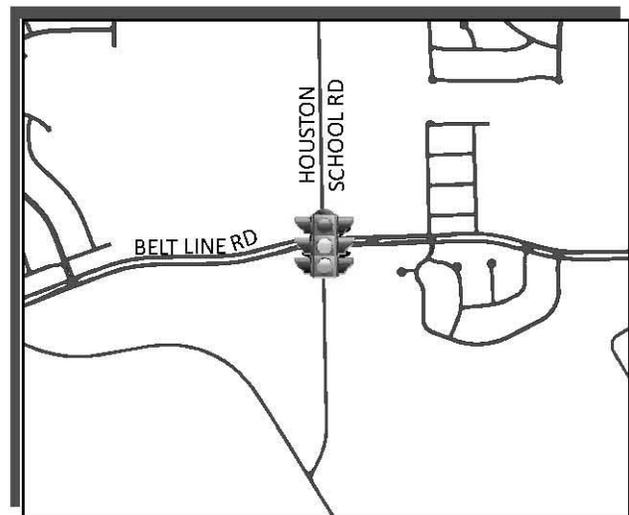
Construction on Houston School Road

Project Description

The City of Lancaster and Dallas County have been working on widening Houston School Road to a 6-lane street from Wheatland Road to I-20 and to a 4-lane street from Ames Road to Pleasant Run Road. The construction for this project is estimated to be completed around January 2012. Improvements have been made at the intersection of Houston School Road and Beltline Road. Traffic lights were installed and are in full operation.

Public Concerns

Access to driveways and two-way traffic will be maintained on Houston School Road at all times. Please abide by the posted speed limits. Traffic violation fines are double in work zones and police enforcement is active.



Houston School Rd @ Belt Line Rd

Stormwater Fact

Did You Know?

Stormwater on parking lots & streets flows into storm drains so that the pavement won't be flooded. Stormdrains have underground pipes that channel the stormwater directly to a nearby water body, usually without any treatment or cleaning. So whatever flows down a storm drain comes out in a nearby body of water such as a wetland, stream, pond, lake or the ocean.



HIGH WEEDS & GRASS

With the upcoming spring, season you can expect your lawns to grow quickly. Remember to keep your yard mowed and maintained. Help keep your Lancaster neighborhood beautiful by maintaining your property. Your neighbors and the City of Lancaster will appreciate your efforts this season. Code requires no grass or weeds to grow to a height greater than 12” inches and all grass clippings are to be bagged and not blown into the street or alley. This action violates City Code and State regulations.

OVERHANGING LIMBS

It's time to get those trees into shape!

Trees, shrubs and other vegetation should not block a public sidewalk or hang any lower than 7 feet over the sidewalk. Any shrubs that grow into the alley should be trimmed back at least 12 inches from the edge of the pavement. Limbs should not hang lower than 14 feet over a street or alley. Keeping your limbs to a minimum of 14 feet over the street will help keep our City fire trucks and trash service vehicles from being damaged when passing by. Most fire trucks are between 11-14 feet in height. Damage to the top and/or sides of these vehicles can be quite expensive. Take advantage of your *FREE bulk pickup* service by trimming the weekend prior to your week of bulk pickup.



HOUSE NUMBERS



Do you have your house numbers visible from the street and from the alley? Did you recently paint your house and forget to repost your house numbers? This is a very easy and inexpensive property maintenance item to correct. Your house numbers should be posted on the front of your house, normally near your front door. The numbers need to be in Arabic font; a minimum of 4 inches in height, and a minimum width per line of ½ inch. The numbers should be a different color than the paint on your house so they can be seen from the street.

If you have an alley, whether paved or grass, the numbers need to be posted in the back so they can be seen from the alley as well. The house numbers should be posted on the back of the house, normally around a back door, the back portion of your fence along the alley, or the garage. Having your house numbers posted in both locations is very important and helpful for police, fire, ambulance, trash service and other utility service providers in identifying the proper location they are seeking.

Stormwater Fact

Pollutants From Lawns:

Lawn care & garden tips:

- Mow 2 to 3 inches high to encourage dense growth & deter weeds.
- Reduce lawn size in favor of rock gardens or natural vegetation.
- Cover soil piles with tarps & replant bare areas to stop erosion.
- Use fertilizer, pesticides & herbicides sparingly.
- Try using organic lawn care methods.
- Mulch lawn clippings and leaves.
- Do not over water your lawn.

PARKING & INOPERABLE/JUNKED VEHICLES

Vehicles, including boats, campers and recreational vehicles are to be parked on an approved parking surface. Do you not have enough room to park all your vehicles? Contact the Lancaster Building Inspections Division at 972-218-1200 for information about expanding or improving your driveway with an approved surface.



Did you know that by keeping the vehicle registration sticker on your car, truck, motorcycle, or trailer up-to-date, you're helping Texas build and maintain our highways, roads and bridges? Drivers who are late to register or fail to register their vehicles and newcomers to Texas who don't register in the 30-day grace period deprive Texas of badly needed funds.

Vehicles within Lancaster City Limits must have current vehicle registration and current inspection tags to be on your property in public view or in the street. Vehicles that have flat tires, are wrecked or inoperable need to be repaired or removed from public view by being parked inside your garage. Vehicles without current registration and inspection on private property are subject to a citation being issued by the Code Compliance Division.

For registration information visit www.texasonline.state.tx.us or your local Texas Department of Transportation office.

BUILDING INSPECTIONS

Seasonal Tips for Spring

April showers may bring May flowers and the onset of spring, which means it's time for "spring cleaning"!

These maintenance tips are offered to protect your home against plumbing problems.



Kitchens/Bathrooms

- Check faucets for drips or leaks. Make repairs to save water.
- Ensure that all drains have strainers to prevent hair, soap and debris from clogging the drain lines.
- Check toilets for hidden leaks. Add six drops of food coloring to the toilet tank. If the toilet is leaking, color will appear in the bowl within 30 minutes.
- Inspect tank and bowl for cracks or leaks.
- Turn the water supply valves under sinks and toilets regularly to prevent them from sticking.
- Make sure toilets flush properly. If the handle must be held down for a thorough flush or jiggled to stop the water from running you may need to replace worn tank parts. They're inexpensive and you'll notice a lower water bill.
- Clean mineral deposits from showerhead. Unscrew the showerhead and soak it in vinegar. You can also fill a plastic baggie with vinegar and place it over the showerhead with a rubber band holding it in place. Soak the showerhead overnight then remove and gently scrub it with an old toothbrush to remove mineral deposits.

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April

- 14 Citizens Public Safety Academy - 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. @ Public Safety Building, 1650 N. Dallas Avenue
 15 Best Southwest Board Meeting - 7:30 a.m. @ Visitors Center Meeting Room
 15 Chamber Ambassadors FunGroup - 12:00 p.m. @ Bievenidos
 16 Crime Victim Prevention Awareness Fair - 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. @ Recreation Center
 16 Craig Shaw Olympics - 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. @ Lancaster High School
 16 Chamber Gala “Safari thru Texas” - 6:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m. @ The Southern Cross
 16 Texas Amateur Athletic Federation Men’s 45 & Over Basketball Tournament - 9:00 a.m. @ Recreation Center
 18 Parks & Rec. Advisory Board/LRDC-4B/Tree Adv. Board meeting - 6:00 p.m. @ Recreation Center Classroom
 21 Citizens Public Safety Academy - 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. @ Public Safety Building, 1650 N. Dallas Avenue
 21 Library Advisory Board Meeting - 6:30 p.m. @ Library
 22 *Good Friday; Earth Day - City Offices Closed*
 22 LISD Bad Weather Make-up Day
 22 LIMA Good Friday Service - 12:00 p.m.
 @ Zion Chapel Primitive Baptist Church
 25 City Council meeting - 7:00 p.m. @ Council Chambers
 26 Chamber Tourism Committee meeting - 2:30 p.m.
 @ Visitors Center Meeting Room
 27 *Administrative Professional’s Day*
 27 Education Committee Meeting - 11:30 a.m. @ Bienvenidos
 28 Citizens Public Safety Academy - 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. @ Public Safety Building, 1650 N. Dallas Avenue
 28 Arbor Day Celebration – Tree City USA/Growth Award Presentation - 6:30 p.m. @ the Community Park
 29 *Arbor Day*

Family Story Time

2:00 p.m. Saturdays, except April 23th & May 28th @ the Library (Stories, songs and take-home craft projects.) First Saturday of each month will feature stories in Spanish and English.

May

- 2 Youth Advisory Council Meeting - 5:00 p.m.
 @ Recreation Center Classroom
 3 *National Teacher’s Day; World Press Freedom Day*
 4 Chamber Board meeting - 7:30 a.m.
 @ the Visitors Center Meeting Room
 5 *Cinco de Mayo*
 5 Leadership Southwest Board Meeting - 8:00 a.m.
 @ Visitors Center Meeting Room
 8 *Mother’s Day*
 9 City Council meeting - 7:00 p.m. @ Council Chambers
 10 Chamber Tourism Committee Meeting - 2:30 p.m. @ the Visitors Center Meeting Room
 12 Citizens Public Safety Academy - 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. @ Public Safety Building, 1650 N. Dallas Avenue
 12 Chamber Luncheon “Peace Officer’s Memorial” - 11:30 a.m. @ Recreation Center
 14 2nd Saturday on the Square, “Flowers in Bloom (Cinco de Mayo & Car/Bike Show)” -
 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. @ Town Square
 14 City’s General Election for Districts 2, & 4 @ by Precinct - 11:30 a.m.
 15 *Peace Officer’s Memorial Day; Police & National Transportation Week*
 16 Parks & Rec. Advisory Board/LRDC-4B/Tree Adv. Board meeting - 6:00 p.m. @ Recreation Center Classroom
 19 Citizens Public Safety Academy - 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. @ Public Safety Building, 1650 N. Dallas Avenue
 20 Best Southwest Board Meeting - 7:30 a.m. @ Visitors Center Meeting Room
 20 Chamber Ambassadors FunGroup - 12:00 p.m. @ Bievenidos
 20 Best South West Relay for Life Campaign - 7:00 p.m. – 7:00 a.m. @ DeSoto West Middle School
 21 *Armed Forces Day*
 23 City Council Meeting - 7:00 p.m. @ Council Chambers
 24 Chamber Tourism Committee Meeting - 2:30 p.m. @ Visitors Center Meeting Room
 25 Education Committee Meeting - 11:30 a.m. @ Bienvenidos
 26 Citizens Public Safety Academy - 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. @ Public Safety Building, 1650 N. Dallas Avenue
 30 *Memorial Day - City Offices Closed & LISD Closed*

Computer Classes for Adults

@ the Library
Basic Computing Workshop
 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
 April 30th (Part 1) and May 7th (Part 2)
Introduction to Job Center Resources
 7:00 p.m.
 May 17th & May 19th



June

- 1 Chamber Board Meeting - 7:30 a.m. @ Visitors Center Meeting Room
- 6 Youth Advisory Council Meeting - 5:00 p.m.
@ Recreation Center Classroom
- 6 LISD Teacher Workday
- 9 Chamber Luncheon - 11:30 a.m. @ Recreation Center
- 11 2nd Saturday on the Square, "City Wide Garage Sale (Flea market & Document Shredding)" - 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
@ Town Square
- 13 City Council Meeting - 7:00 p.m. @ Council Chambers
- 14 Flag Day
- 14 Chamber Tourism Committee Meeting - 2:30 p.m. @ Visitors Center Meeting Room
- 17 Best Southwest Board Meeting - 7:30 a.m. @ Visitors Center Meeting Room
- 17 Chamber Ambassadors FunGroup - 12:00 p.m. @ Bienvenidos
- 18 BSW Juneteenth Celebration - 5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. @ Vally Ridge Park in Cedar Hill
- 19 Father's Day; Juneteenth
- 20 Parks & Rec. Advisory Board/LRDC-4B/Tree Adv. Board meeting - 6:00 p.m. @ Recreation Center Classroom
- 21 First Day of Summer
- 22 Education Committee Meeting - 11:30 a.m. @ Bienvenidos
- 27 City Council Meeting - 7:00 p.m. @ Council Chambers
- 28 Chamber Tourism Committee Meeting - 2:30 p.m. @ Visitors Center Meeting Room

Daycare Story Hour
10:00 a.m
Wednesdays through April 27th
@ the Library
(Call 972-227-1080 to schedule a group visit)

July

- 4 Independence Day - City Offices Closed
- 6 Chamber Board Meeting - 7:30 a.m.
@ Visitors Center Meeting Room
- 9 2nd Saturday on the Square, "America's Birthday Party (BSW's Got Talent)" - 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. @ Town Square
- 11 City Council Meeting - 7:00 p.m. @ Council Chambers
- 12 Chamber Tourism Committee Meeting - 2:30 p.m.
@ Visitors Center Meeting Room
- 14 Chamber Luncheon - 11:30 a.m. @ Recreation Center
- 15 Chamber Ambassadors FunGroup - 12:00 p.m. @ Bienvenidos
- 20 Parks & Rec. Advisory Board/LRDC-4B/Tree Adv. Board meeting - 6:00 p.m. @ Recreation Center Classroom
- 21 Parks & Recreation Festival - 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. @ Dewberry Park
- 24 Parent's Day
- 25 City Council Meeting - 7:00 p.m. @ Council Chambers
- 26 Chamber Tourism Committee Meeting - 2:30 p.m. @ Visitors Center Meeting Room
- 27 Education Committee Meeting - 11:30 a.m. @ Bienvenidos

Pajama Time Stories
Mondays, 7:00 p.m. @ the Library.
(Except May 30th & July 4th)
Hear stories and sing songs. First Monday of each month will feature stories read in Spanish and English.

Preschool Story Hour
10:00 a.m
Tuesdays, through April 26th
@ the Library
(Stories, songs and take-home craft projects)

Teen Programs
Japanese Animation Films
5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Everyone age 11 - 15 is invited to view Anime Films every first and third Thursday from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m.
From April 7th to July 21st

Teen Game Night
7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
April 21st, June 2nd and July 21st
@ the Library
Games include bingo, chess and other board games.
Parents are welcome to join the fun!

Tournaments
Each tournament is held on a Saturday from 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. @ the Library
July 2 - Yu-Gi-Oh
July 16 - Pokemon DS Teams (70-100), Battle of the Legends
Aug 6 - Duel of the Planes Walkers (Magic the Gathering trading cards)
Aug 20 - PokemonDS teams (flat level 50), Battle of the Legends

BUILDING INSPECTIONS

Seasonal Tips for Spring (Continued from Page 9)

Appliances

- Check the temperature setting on the water heater. It should be set no higher than 120°F to prevent scalding and reduce energy use.
- Carefully drain several gallons from the water heater tank to flush out corrosion causing sediments that reduces heating efficiency and shorten the life of the heater.
- Consider replacing a water heater more than 15 years old. (The first four numbers of the serial number represent the month and year it was made). Newer water heaters are more energy efficient.
- Make sure flammables are not stored near the water heater or furnace.
- Check dishwasher, washing machine and icemaker supply hoses for bulges or leaks. Replace hoses showing signs of weakness or older than ten years.
- Clean out the dryer's lint trap, if equipped, and place a wire trap or a piece of pantyhose over the end of the hose that drains the washer.

General

- Pour a gallon of water into frequently used drains (including floor drains) to fill the trap and prevent odors from entering the house. Slow floor drains should be snaked to ensure they will carry away water quickly in the event of a flood.
- Check exposed pipes under sinks for signs of leaks.
- Inspect for slow leaks in your homes by taking a reading on your water meter before bedtime. The next morning, without using water overnight, take another reading. If the reading has changed, you probably have a leak that should be repaired.

Outside

- Make sure yard drains, gutters and downspouts are cleaned out, open and free of debris.
- Check for bird nests in plumbing vent pipes.
- Check faucets and hose bibs to make sure water flows freely. If an outdoor faucet drips or if there is leaking inside your home the first time the hose is turned on, you may have had a frozen pipe that cracked and needs to be replaced.

We need your feedback!

The 2011 City of Lancaster Citizen survey is now available!

The City of Lancaster is conducting a survey to determine how citizens rate City services and to measure citizen attitudes on certain major issues facing the City.

This survey will take about 15 minutes to complete and your feedback will be used by City Officials and reported only as percentages.

After completion, please mail your survey to City Hall, 211 N. Henry St., Lancaster, Texas 75146 or drop it off at the same address.

**Are you online?
Then feel free to complete your survey at
www.lancaster-tx.com.**

Thank you!

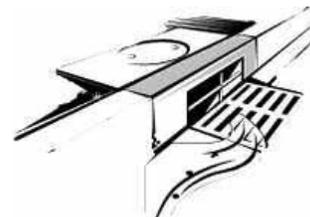
Stormwater Fact

NEVER pour or sweep ANYTHING in a storm drain!

This includes:

**Pet Waste
Paint
Leaves**

**Motor Oil
Litter
Sand**



1. First, how long have you lived in Lancaster?

- Less than 3 months 3 to 12 months
 1 to 5 years 6 to 10 years
 More than 10 years 11 to 20 years
 21 to 30 years No longer live in Lancaster
 Don't Know I do not live in Lancaster

2. What is your zip code?

3. How would you describe the quality of life in Lancaster?

- Excellent Poor
 Good Don't Know
 Adequate

4. Do you think the quality of life in Lancaster will improve, stay the same, or decline over the next five years?

- Improve Decline
 Stay the Same Don't Know

5. Which of the following would you say is the most critical issue facing Lancaster today? (*Select only one*)

- Redeveloping Older Areas of the City
 Improving City Services and Infrastructure
 Increasing Transportation Options
 Decreasing Crime
 Don't Know

6. Overall, how would you describe the way in which the City is maintained?

- Excellent Poor
 Good Don't Know
 Adequate

7. Considering all City services, please rate the value of the services you receive versus the city taxes you pay?

- Great Value Little Value
 Good Value Don't Know
 Adequate Value

8. For each of the services provided by the City, please rate the service as "4", excellent, "3", good, "2", adequate, "1", poor or "0" if you don't know.

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Street Maintenance | <input type="checkbox"/> Parks |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recreational Programs | <input type="checkbox"/> Storm Water Drainage |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Police | <input type="checkbox"/> Fire |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Medical Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Trash Collection Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recycling Collection Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Quality |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Pressure | <input type="checkbox"/> Animal Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sewer Service | <input type="checkbox"/> Code Compliance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Library | |

9. Have you used any of the following City services in the past two years? (*Circle "Yes" or "No".*)

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| Yes / No - Library | Yes / No - Parks |
| Yes / No - Recreational Programs | Yes / No - Fire |
| Yes / No - Emergency Medical Services | |

10. Do you feel very safe, safe, somewhat safe, or not very safe living in Lancaster?

- Very Safe Not Very Safe
 Safe No Opinion
 Somewhat Safe

11. Do you feel very safe, safe, somewhat safe, or not very safe living in your neighborhood?

- Very Safe Somewhat Safe
 Safe Not Very Safe
 No Opinion

12. Would you rate Police visibility as excellent, good, fair or poor?

- Very Safe Somewhat Safe
 Safe Not Very Safe
 No Opinion

13. Where do you get most of your information about the City of Lancaster? (*Select only one*)

- Local Newspapers
 Television News
 Public Access Cable Channel
 Word of Mouth
 City Website
 Lancaster Connection
 Fliers Included in Water Bills
 Marquee Signs at City Facilities
 Social Media (Facebook, Twitter...)
 Other _____

14. Is the information you receive about the City of Lancaster...

- Too Much
 Enough
 Adequate, but not enough
 Not Enough

15. Do you have access to the Internet from your home or work?

- Yes at Home Yes at both
 Yes at Work No

16. Would you like to receive e-mail notifications about City services, meetings, events and publications?

- Yes No

17. How often do you access the city website (www.lancaster-tx.com) to get information?

- Daily Yearly
 Weekly Never
 Monthly

18. How often do you visit the City's social sites?

Facebook	MySpace	Twitter	WordPress
<input type="checkbox"/> Daily	<input type="checkbox"/> Daily	<input type="checkbox"/> Daily	<input type="checkbox"/> Daily
<input type="checkbox"/> Weekly	<input type="checkbox"/> Weekly	<input type="checkbox"/> Weekly	<input type="checkbox"/> Weekly
<input type="checkbox"/> Monthly	<input type="checkbox"/> Monthly	<input type="checkbox"/> Monthly	<input type="checkbox"/> Monthly
<input type="checkbox"/> Yearly	<input type="checkbox"/> Yearly	<input type="checkbox"/> Yearly	<input type="checkbox"/> Yearly
<input type="checkbox"/> Never	<input type="checkbox"/> Never	<input type="checkbox"/> Never	<input type="checkbox"/> Never



19. Have you contacted the City for any issue, question or problem in the last year?

Yes No

20. How did you contact the City for any issue, question or problem in the last year?

- Phone
- Email
- Fax
- WebQA

21. If you answered "Yes" to the previous question, what was the purpose of that contact?

- Utility Bill
- Garbage/Recycle Question
- Water, Wastewater & Streets
- City Council
- City Management
- Animal Services
- Police
- Fire
- Code Compliance

22. How would you rate the overall customer service you received?

- Excellent Poor
- Good Don't Know
- Adequate

The last few questions are for classification purposes only.

23. Are you registered to vote?

Yes No

24. Considering City elections only, would you say that you generally vote in most City elections, some City elections or no City elections?

- Most City Elections
- Some City Elections
- Few City Elections
- No City Election

25. Do you live in a ...?

- House/Duplex
- Apartment
- Prefer Not to Answer

26. Do you rent or own your home?

- Rent
- Own
- Rent Free Situation
- Prefer Not to Answer

27. Which best describes your age category?

- 18 - 25 Years
- 26 - 40 Years
- 41 - 50 Years
- 51 - 65 Years
- 66 Years or Older
- Prefer Not to Answer

28. Which of the following best describes your ethnicity?

- African American
- Asian
- Caucasian
- Hispanic
- Native American
- Prefer Not to Answer

29. Which of the following best describes your education level?

- Less than High School
- Some High School
- H.S. Diploma / GED
- Some College
- Bachelor's Degree
- Graduate Degree
- Prefer Not to Answer

30. Which of the following best describes your annual household (total) income level?

- \$0 - \$24,999
- \$25,000 - \$49,999
- \$50,000 - \$74,999
- \$75,000 - \$99,999
- \$100,000 - \$124,999
- \$125,000 - \$149,999
- \$150,000 or More
- Prefer Not to Answer

31. How many people live in your household?

- 1 - 2
- 3 - 4
- 5 or More
- Prefer Not to Answer

32. Please use this space below for any additional Comments.

Adventures Of A Lifetime

Come and join Lancaster Parks and Recreation staff for our one of a kind Summer Day Camp! This 8 week camp will offer parents a safe, recreational and educational environment for their little camper. Participants in the Summer Day Camp must be between 5 - 7 years of age.

The 2011 Summer Day Camp will offer your child "The Adventure of a Lifetime." Activities will include swimming, field trips, nature walks, and other exciting adventures.

Campers will build self esteem, develop social skills and improve health and fitness while exploring a different theme each week.

If you have any questions regarding registration, please call Tiffany Mack at 972-218-3700 or e-mail her at tbizor-mack@lancaster-tx.com.

We look forward to your camper's participation!



Camp Dates

June 13 – August 5, 2011 (8 weeks)

Time of Camp:

7:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Monday through Friday

Location:

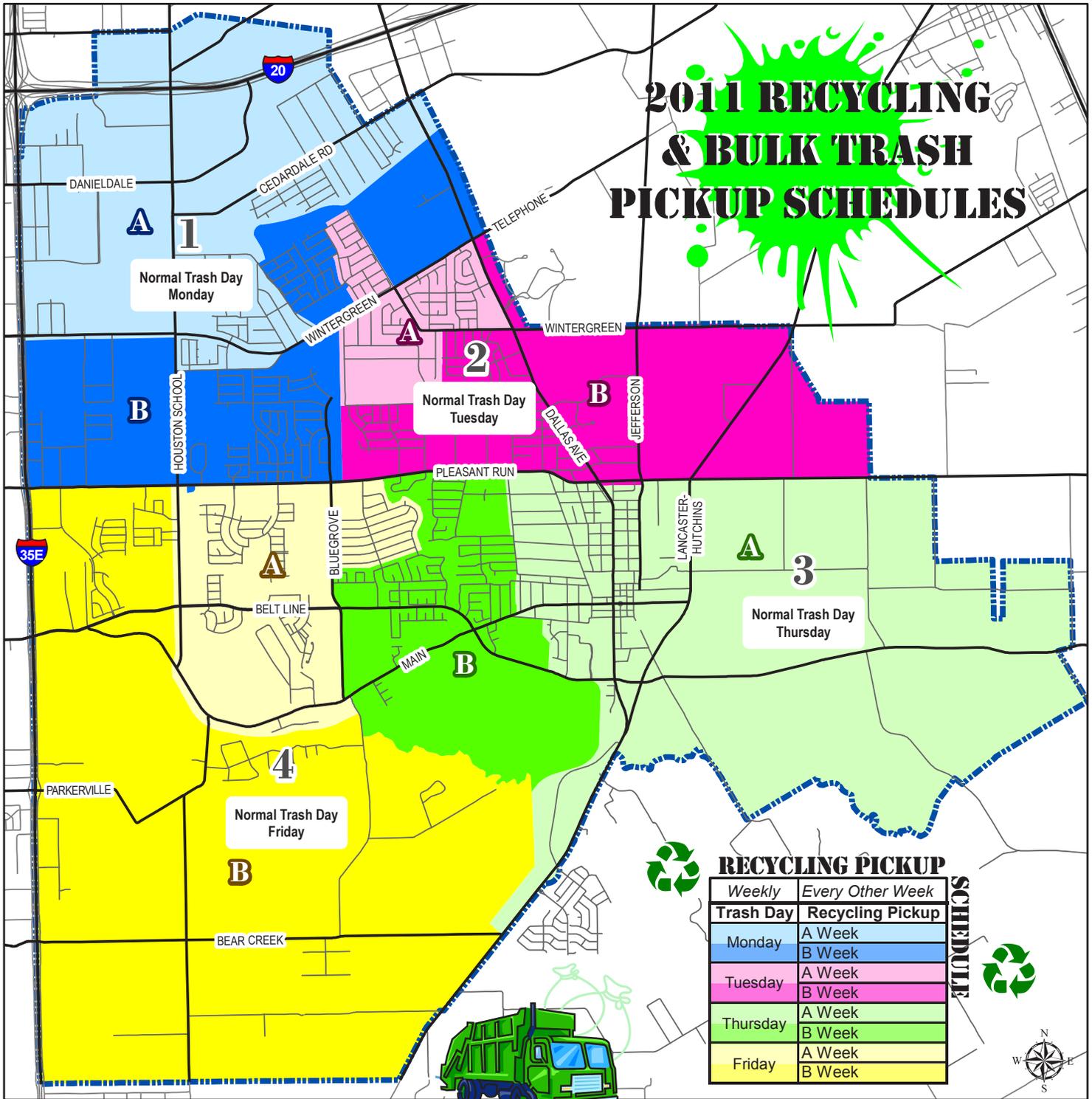
Lancaster Recreation Center

Cost:

\$75.00 per child
\$ 5 or \$10 Participation Card depending on age.



2011 RECYCLING & BULK TRASH PICKUP SCHEDULES



2011 BULK TRASH SCHEDULE

Month	1	2	3	4
April 2011	Apr 4-8	Apr 11-15	Apr 18-22	Apr 25-29
May 2011	No Bulk Collection in May			
June 2011	Jun 6-10	Jun 13-17	Jun 20-24	Jun 27 - Jul 1
July 2011	No Bulk Collection in July			
Aug 2011	Aug 1-5	Aug 8-12	Aug 15-19	Aug 22-26
Sept 2011	No Bulk Collection in July			
Oct 2011	Oct 3-7	Oct 10-14	Oct 17-21	Oct 24-28
Nov 2011	No Bulk Collection in July			
Dec 2011	Dec 5-9	Dec 12-16	Dec 19-23	Dec 26-30

Bulk trash is placed at the street BEFORE 7:00 a.m. MONDAY of your week. Do not add to the pile during the week. You may start putting trash out Saturday and Sunday before your pickup week. We have until Friday to complete service. You are allowed only 12 cubic yards of bulk trash. Early or late setouts will be tagged for immediate removal and are subject to removal charges and/or fines. No liquids, hazardous waste, construction debris, electronics or automotive waste. All refrigerants from appliances must be removed and certified.

For Solid Waste Questions
Please call: 972-218-1300

Do you know how to activate your RecycleBank account?

Activate your Recycle Bank Account today at www.RecycleBank.com or by calling 1-866-563-0114.

Start earning points that may be used for groceries, apparel and gift cards at hundreds of local and national businesses.

Points can save participants an average of up to \$100 a year.

OCTOBER 2010						FEBRUARY 2011						JUNE 2011					
WK	M	T	W	T	F	WK	M	T	W	T	F	WK	M	T	W	T	F
B					1	B		1	2	3	4	A			1	2	3
A	4	5	6	7	8	A	7	8	9	10	11	B	6	7	8	9	10
B	11	12	13	14	15	B	14	15	16	17	18	A	13	14	15	16	17
A	18	19	20	21	22	A	21	22	23	24	25	B	20	21	22	23	24
B	25	26	27	28	29	B	28					A	27	28	29	30	

NOVEMBER 2010						MARCH 2011						JULY 2011					
WK	M	T	W	T	F	WK	M	T	W	T	F	WK	M	T	W	T	F
A	1	2	3	4	5	B		1	2	3	4	A					1
B	8	9	10	11	12	A	7	8	9	10	11	B	4	5	6	7	8
A	15	16	17	18	19	B	14	15	16	17	18	A	11	12	13	14	15
B	22	23	24	25	26	A	21	22	23	24	25	B	18	19	20	21	22
A	29	30				B	28	29	30	31		A	25	26	27	28	29

DECEMBER 2010						APRIL 2011						AUGUST 2011					
WK	M	T	W	T	F	WK	M	T	W	T	F	WK	M	T	W	T	F
A			1	2	3	B					1	B	1	2	3	4	5
B	6	7	8	9	10	A	4	5	6	7	8	A	8	9	10	11	12
A	13	14	15	16	17	B	11	12	13	14	15	B	15	16	17	18	19
B	20	21	22	23	24	A	18	19	20	21	22	A	22	23	24	25	26
A	27	28	29	30	31	B	25	26	27	28	29	B	29	30	31		

JANUARY 2011						MAY 2011						SEPTEMBER 2011					
WK	M	T	W	T	F	WK	M	T	W	T	F	WK	M	T	W	T	F
B	3	4	5	6	7	A	2	3	4	5	6	B				1	2
A	10	11	12	13	14	B	9	10	11	12	13	A	5	6	7	8	9
B	17	18	19	20	21	A	16	17	18	19	20	B	12	13	14	15	16
A	24	25	26	27	28	B	23	24	25	26	27	A	19	20	21	22	23
B	31					A	30	31				B	26	27	28	29	30

RecycleBank Rewards

Print at Home is a new reward delivery method that will allow RecycleBank members to print rewards from their personal printers.

Print At Home Rewards:

Print rewards from your personal printer when you want them - no waiting necessary.

Online Rewards:

Use your online rewards instantly by clicking "Redeem Now" after checkout.

Mailed Rewards:

Receive your rewards via first class mail within 7-10 business days.

Other Rewards:

Donations: Your donation has been made.

Sweepstakes: Your sweepstakes entry has been received.

Are there items that should not be placed in my recycle cart?



Plastic toys, dishes, bowls, buckets, plastic wrap, grocery bags, plastic sleeves, or trash bags. No styrofoam or lacquered plastics of any kind, pizza boxes, window glass, auto glass, mirrors, light bulbs, dishes, china, ceramics, medical waste, needles, syringes, aluminum foil, plastic take out food containers, washboard, baby diapers, or paper towels.

RECYCLE SCHEDULE

every other week

Week A - on your trash day

Week B - on your trash day

BULK SCHEDULE

every other month

Week 1 Week 2

Week 3 Week 4

TRASH SCHEDULE

weekly

Recycling & Solid Waste Tips

Your recycling day is the same as your trash day every other week. Place your recycling cart out with your trash no later than 7:00 a.m. on your recycle week (A or B). Do not use your recycle cart for regular trash as it will not be picked up or weighed for points.

Lancaster Recreation Center New Membership Fees

Free membership is available for children under 5 years of age (the child must be accompanied by an adult 18 years or older).

The following memberships (\$5 - \$25 per year) are ONLY valid for the indoor walking track and gymnasium use. Annual participant ID cards are needed to participate in all and any City of Lancaster Recreation Programs

Youth 5-11 years of age	\$5 per year
Teens 12-17 years of age	\$10 per year
Adults 18-49 years of age	\$15 per year
Seniors 50 years of age and older	\$15 per year
Non-resident adult 18-49 years of age	\$25 per year



Monthly Fitness Pass

16 years of age and older \$20 per month

Annual Fitness Pass

16 years of age and older \$160 per year
(Valid for fitness atrium only.)



Corporate Memberships

Corporate A (5-9 employees)

Agency fee of \$125 and each employee \$100 annually

Corporate B (10+ employees)

Agency fee of \$300 and each employee \$100 annually

Daily Admission Fees

Daily Admission	\$5 per day
Pool Daily Admission	\$5 per day
Aerobic Punch Card	\$45 for 15 classes
Water Aerobics Punch Pass	\$45 for 15 classes



Lancaster Senior Life Center

A full service activity center for adults 50 years of age and up.

Annual Membership Dues:

Lancaster Resident	\$3
Non-Residents	\$5

Life Center Member Amenities

- Dining Hall
- Computer Lab
- Game Room
- Reading Lounge
- Arts and Crafts Room



Ongoing Programs

- Biggest Loser Support Group
- Senior Cooking Class
- Senior Exercise Classes
- Senior Wellness checkups
- Birthday Celebrations

Activities

Lunch Meal Program served from
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Monday - Friday

Other activities include:

Arts & Crafts	Bingo
Skip Bo	Cards
Checkers	Crafts
Dominos	Crochet
Wii Fitness	Garden
Line Dancing	



Senior Services Numbers

AARP 1-866-554-5377

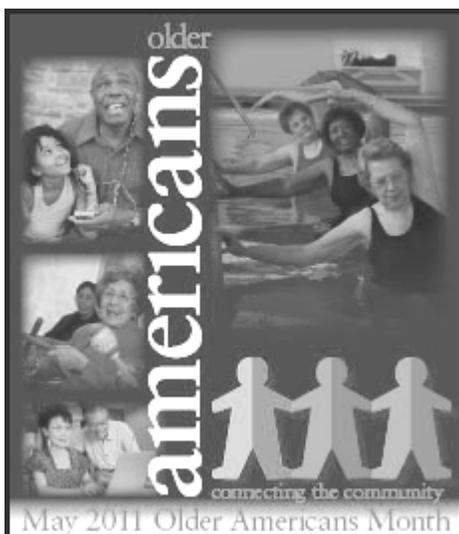
Aging Information Hotline 211

DAAA 214-871-0565

Senior Affairs 214-670-5227

Social Security 1-800-772-1213

Widowed Services 214-358-4155



The City of Lancaster Senior Center Older American's Month Celebration

May 20, 2011 from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm.
240 Veterans Memorial Park
Lancaster, Texas 75134

This event will included barbecue, field day activities, games, prizes, and annual picture taking of center members. Come out and join us in celebrating contributions of older Americans.

Pool Party Rental Information

Reservations must be made in person at the Lancaster Recreation Center desk at least 14 days in advance. Reservations will be taken up to 3 months in advance of a scheduled event.

Private Party Rental Fees

<u>Number of Guests</u>	<u>Resident Rates</u>	<u>Non-Resident Rates</u>
DEPOSIT	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00
1-50 guest(s)	\$150.00	\$175.00
51-100 guests	\$200.00	\$225.00
101-150 guests	\$225.00	\$250.00
151 or more guests	\$300.00	\$350.00
Semi-Private up to 30 guests	\$ 95.00	\$105.00



LEARN TO SWIM 2011 SPRING SESSION SCHEDULE

Group Classes \$30 Per Session

Private lessons \$50 per session

April 11th – April 21st

Registration for session 3 ends April 4, 2011

Class Code	Session 3A		Ages 3 -6	Class Code	Session 3B		Ages 7- 12
7393	5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.	TTH	PreS Starfish	7396	5:30 p.m.-6:15 p.m.	TTH	Youth Angel
7394	6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.	TTH	PreS Sea Horse	7397	6:30 p.m.-7:15 p.m.	TTH	Youth Tiger
7395	7:30 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.	TTH	PreS Stingray	7398	7:30 p.m.-8:15 p.m.	TTH	Youth Grt White
	<u>Session 3C</u>				<u>Session 3D</u>		
7399	5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.	MW	Parent & Tot	7400	5:30 p.m.-6:15 p.m.	MW	Private

April 25th – May 5th

Registration for session 4 ends April 18, 2011

Class Code	Session 4A		Ages 3 -6	Class Code	Session 4B		Ages 7- 12
7412	5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.	TTH	PreS Starfish	7414	5:30 p.m.-6:15 p.m.	TTH	Youth Angel
7413	6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.	TTH	PreS Sea Horse	7427	6:30 p.m.-7:15 p.m.	TTH	Youth Tiger
7426	7:30 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.	TTH	PreS Stingray	7428	7:30 p.m.-8:15 p.m.	TTH	Youth Grt White
	<u>Session 4C</u>				<u>Session 4D</u>		
7415	5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.	MW	Parent & Tot	7409	5:30 p.m.-6:15 p.m.	MW	Private

May 9th – May 19th

Registration for session 5 ends May 2, 2011

Class Code	Session 5A		Ages 3 -6	Class Code	Session 5B		Ages 7- 12
7429	5:30 p.m.-6:15 p.m.	TTH	PreS Starfish	7417	5:30 p.m.-6:15 p.m.	TTH	Youth Angel
7416	6:30 p.m.-7:15 p.m.	TTH	PreS Sea Horse	7413	6:30 p.m.-7:15 p.m.	TTH	Youth Tiger
7430	7:30 p.m.-8:15 p.m.	TTH	PreS Stingray	7432	7:30 p.m.-8:15 p.m.	TTH	Youth Grt White
	<u>Session 5C</u>				<u>Session 5D</u>		
7418	5:30 p.m.-6:15 p.m.	MW	Parent & Tot	7410	5:30 p.m.-6:15 p.m.	MW	Private

May 23rd – June 2nd

Registration for session 6 ends May 16, 2011

Class Code	Session 6A		Ages 3 -6	Class Code	Session 6B		Ages 7- 12
7419	5:30 p.m.-6:15 p.m.	TTH	PreS Starfish	7422	5:30 p.m.-6:15 p.m.	TTH	Youth Angel
7420	6:30 p.m.-7:15 p.m.	TTH	PreS Sea Horse	7423	6:30 p.m.-7:15 p.m.	TTH	Youth Tiger
7421	7:30 p.m.-8:15 p.m.	TTH	PreS Stingray	7424	7:30 p.m.-8:15 p.m.	TTH	Youth Grt White
	<u>Session 6C</u>				<u>Session 6D</u>		
7425	5:30 p.m.-6:15 p.m.	MW	Parent & Tot	7411	5:30 p.m.-6:15 p.m.	MW	Private

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



The Parks & Recreation Department believes that our volunteers are an important factor in the success of our programs and special events. We offer numerous opportunities for individuals to make a difference in their neighborhoods and community. The City of Lancaster will provide volunteers with unique and fulfilling experiences. For more information, contact 972-218-3702.

Coaches

Want to be a volunteer coach and get involved?

All coaches interested in volunteering must be certified through National Youth Sports Coach Association (NYSCA). Coaching certifications are offered online for all sports. For information visit nays.org/nyscaonlineclinics.

Contact the Athletics Office at 972-218-3713 for more information.



Kick Start Soccer

Do you have an active 3 year old that likes to play soccer?

Well we have just the league for you!

Registration Begins: May 2, 2011

Season Starts: July 9, 2011

Fee: \$20 per child



Are you ready for Soccer??

Participants will learn and enjoy the game of soccer while making friends and building self confidence.

Boys and Girls ages 4-14

Registration: July 5, 2011

Season Runs: September to December

Fee: \$65



Summer Youth Baseball

Registration Starts June 7, 2011

We are looking for teams and individuals to participate in the 2011 Summer League!!!



Mens 45 and older Basketball

Entry Fee: \$175 per team

Tournament Dates:
April 15 & 16, 2011



YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL



Join the Lancaster Youth Advisory Council (YAC).

The YAC was created to serve as an advisory board to the Lancaster City Council. The mission is to provide the youth of our community opportunities to volunteer and to take initiatives that help promote change. All participants will have opportunities to create and participate in a variety of positive experiences that will nurture self-esteem, reinforce positive attitudes, and be meaningful to both the individual and the community.

For our Boards and Commissions Application, please refer to page 5.

S.A.F.E. After School Program

The Supervised After School Fulfilling Enrichment (S.A.F.E.) program provides a safe structured environment for youth after school. Daily activities include homework assistance, arts and crafts, physical activities and a nutritional snack.

The program operates Monday-Friday, 2:45 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. throughout the school year when school is in session. Day camps and Holiday Break Camps are offered on non-school days for an additional charge. Transportation will be provided for LISD students 1st through 8th grade.

Fee: \$70 per child per month
\$25 per child per week

NOTE: The Lancaster Parks and Recreation Department is not a licensed Day Care facility.



Legs, Abs, Arms and Stretch

This class is designed to shape and tone the body without building muscular size or bulk. Come out and get your body healthy and ready for summer fun!

Tuesdays
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
\$30 per month



Zumba

Utilizing the principles of fitness interval training and resistance training to maximize caloric output, fat burning and total body toning.

Mondays 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
Thursdays 7:00 p.m - 8:00 p.m.
\$5 per class (discounted rate available with the purchase of an aerobic punch card)

Etiquette Class

This class is designed to teach your child proper etiquette during dinner and will focus on posture, formal introductions and sitting techniques.

Mondays
6:30 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.
\$30 per month

Cardio Kickboxing

High energy, explosive, exciting and motivating! A Non-contact kickboxing workout that blends elements of boxing, martial arts, and traditional aerobics.

Mondays and Wednesdays
6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
\$5 a visit or free with an aerobics punch pass

Mizu No Kokoro Ryu Karate

Ages 15 and up can learn the disciplines of the art through Kata, Japanese culture, weapons defense, balance, pressure points and anatomy.

Wednesdays
7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
\$25 a month

Cooking With Chef Jeff



This class is designed for Chef Jeff to teach students how to prepare meals at an affordable price. You will also learn proper cooking etiquette.

Saturdays

10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

\$50 per month

Line Dancing Class

This class is designed to help those who are interested in the latest swing dances. Swing dance is a form of exercise that does not require any lifting. Just come prepared to have a GREAT time dancing with family and friends.

Saturdays

2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

\$50 per month

Ballet, Tap Lyrical and Jazz Courses

This course is designed to teach students the basic moves of Ballet, Tap, Lyrical and Jazz dance. Students will also learn the history of dance and expression.

Mondays

4:30 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.

\$20 per month

Universal Hip Hop Class

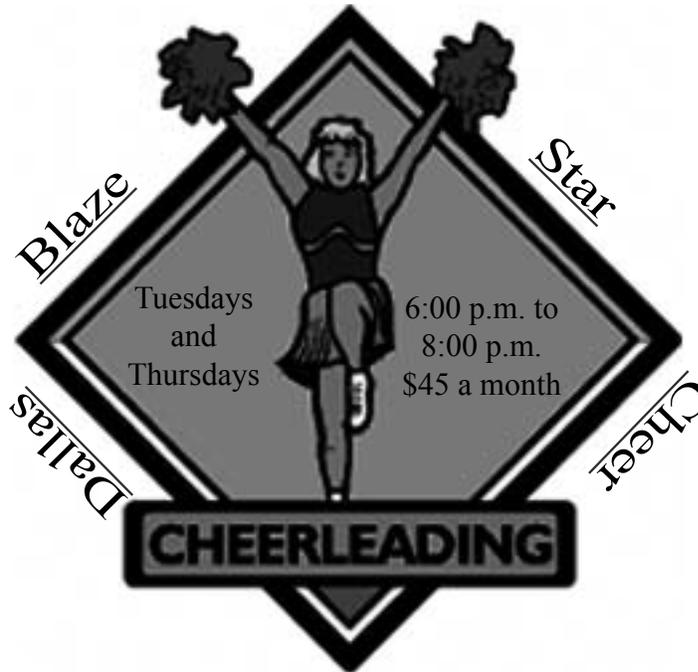
This class pushes students to move and learn intricate routines and choreography. While building stamina and hand eye coordination. This class is for any age.

Mondays and Wednesdays

7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

\$40 per month

All



Tuesdays
and
Thursdays

6:00 p.m. to
8:00 p.m.
\$45 a month

Do you have spirit? Then this is the class for you!
Open to all girls ages 5-18.





The Grand Hall Banquet Facility

Available: Mon - Thurs 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
 Fri - Sat 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 midnight
 (972) 218-3700

Reservation must be made a minimum of 14 days in advance, in person at the Lancaster Recreation Center.
 Note: Two (2) hour rental minimum.

1,100 sq. ft. room	Resident	Non-Resident
Damage Deposit	\$200.00	\$250.00
Set-Up Fee	\$50.00	\$50.00
Rental per hour	\$35.00	\$55.00
Kitchen per hour	\$25.00	\$25.00
Includes: 56 chairs & projection screen	7 (60" round tables) 1 (6' head/buffet Tables	

2,200 sq. ft. room	Resident	Non-Resident
Damage Deposit	\$200.00	\$250.00
Set-Up Fee	\$50.00	\$50.00
Rental per hour	\$55.00	\$75.00
Kitchen Rental per hour	\$25.00	\$25.00
Includes: 112 chairs & projection screen	14 (60" round tables) 2 (6' head/buffet tables)	

3,300 sq. ft. room	Resident	Non-Resident
Damage Deposit	\$250.00	\$250.00
Set-Up Fee	\$50.00	\$50.00
Rental per hour	\$75.00	\$100.00
Kitchen Rental per hour	\$25.00	\$25.00
Includes: 192 chairs & projection screen	24 (60" round tables) 3 (6' head/buffet tables)	

Community House

Located in Downtown Lancaster, 100 N. Henry

Details and Times	Resident	Non-Resident
Damage Deposit	\$100.00	\$150.00
Fri. 6:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.	\$175.00	\$255.00
Sat. & Sun. 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	\$135.00	\$205.00
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	\$135.00	\$205.00
6:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.	\$175.00	\$255.00

Includes: Approximately 8 (60" round) & 1 (6 ft. buffet) table; 100 chairs; kitchen; restrooms

Parks and Gazebos

Daily Rental Period
 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. * 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Rental Season April-November

Community Park East Pavilion

200 N. Dallas Avenue

Details	Resident	Non-Resident
Damage Deposit	\$100.00	\$150.00
Rental Rate	\$75.00	\$125.00

Includes: 4 picnic tables, grills, and electricity

Community Park Amphitheater

200 N. Dallas Avenue

Details	Resident	Non-Resident
Damage Deposit	\$100.00	\$150.00
Rental Rate	\$25.00	\$50.00

Includes: 4 picnic tables, grills, and electricity

City Park Pavilion

Located at 211 W. Beltline

Details	Resident	Non-Resident
Damage Deposit	\$100.00	\$150.00
Rental Rate	\$75.00	\$125.00

Includes: 13 picnic tables, grills, and electricity

*All fees and deposits are to be paid in full at the time the rental is booked.

*All deposits must be made on a credit card ONLY.



City Park Pavilion II
211 W. Beltline

Details	Resident	Non-Resident
Damage Deposit	\$100.00	\$150.00
Rental Rate	\$75.00	\$125.00

Includes: 15 picnic tables, grills, and electricity

Heritage Park Gazebo
250 N. Dallas Avenue

Details	Resident	Non-Resident
Damage Deposit	\$100.00	\$150.00
Rental Rate	\$65.00	\$125.00

Includes: electricity

Kidsquare
1990 W. Beltline Road

Details	Resident	Non-Resident
Damage Deposit	\$100.00	\$150.00
Rental Rate	\$65.00	\$125.00

Includes: 12 picnic tables, grill, electricity

Bear Creek Pavilion
1000 Bear Creek Road

Details	Resident	Non-Resident
Damage Deposit	\$100.00	\$150.00
Rental Rate	\$75.00	\$150.00

Dewberry Park
2975 Green Drive

Details	Resident	Non-Resident
Damage Deposit	\$100	\$150.00
Rental Rate	\$75	\$125.00

Meadowcreek Park
901 Meadowcreek Drive

Details	Resident	Non-Resident
Damage Deposit	\$100.00	\$150.00
Rental Rate	\$75.00	\$125.00

Verona Park
2390 Verona Drive

Details	Resident	Non-Resident
Damage Deposit	\$100.00	\$150.00
Rental Rate	\$75.00	\$125.00

Rocky Crest Park
698 W. Main Street

Details	Resident	Non-Resident
Damage Deposit	\$100.00	\$150.00
Rental Rate	\$75.00	\$125.00

Includes: 15 picnic tables, grills, and electricity

Stanford Park
791 Standford Drive

Details	Resident	Non-Resident
Damage Deposit	\$100.00	\$150.00
Rental Rate	\$75.00	\$125.00

Ten Mile Creek Preserve
900 Nokomis Rd.

Details	Resident	Non-Resident
Damage Deposit	\$100.00	\$150.00
Rental Rate	\$75.00	\$125.00

Athletic Fields

Each Athletic Complex has a 4 hour rental minimum.

Details	Deposit	Hourly Rate
Cedardale Fields	\$50.00	\$20.00/hr.
City Park Fields	\$50.00	\$20.00/hr.
Royce Clayton Ballpark	\$50.00	\$20.00/hr.
Youth Football Fields	\$50.00	\$20.00/hr.

Gymnasium

Two (2) full size courts equipped with hardwood floors surrounded by six (6) adjustable official height goals that can accommodate simultaneous activities. Shirts and proper shoes must be worn at all times. Maximum capacity: 500; Reservations: fourteen (14) days in advance; one (1) group reservation within 24 hour period.

Details	Deposit	Hourly Rate
Half Court	\$50.00	\$50.00/hr
Full Court: Adults & Youth	\$50.00	\$75.00/hr.



Best South West Relay for Life Campaign

Beginning May 20th, 2011

7:00 p.m. - 7:00 a.m.

Our team will camp out overnight at DeSoto West Middle School and take turns walking around the track to raise money and awareness to help create a world with less cancer and more birthdays.

To join our team or make a donation go to:

<http://main.acsevents.org/goto/Lancaster>.

For more information contact the Recreation Staff.

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2nd Saturday on the Square:

 **Car & Bike Show** 
May 14th, 2011

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at Town Square

Arbor Day Celebration!



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Growth Award Presentation

April 28th, 2011

6:00 p.m. at the Community Park

Best Southwest Juneteenth Celebration

Cedar Hill, Texas
Saturday, June 18, 2011
5:00 pm - 10:00 pm
Valley Ridge Park
2850 Park Ridge Drive
Cedar Hill, Texas 75104

The Best Southwest cities will come together to celebrate Juneteenth. There will be a barbecue cook-off, childrens activities, health and wellness education and much more. The event will feature a live concert. Admission is free.



Old Fashioned 4th of July Fireworks Celebration

July 4, 2011
Entertainment starts at 6:00 p.m.
Desoto Meadow Creek Park
1400 Uhi Road
Desoto, Texas