



# Splash Pad FAQs

## **What are the hours of the splash pad?**

- Open 7 days a week, 10am - 8:30pm. The splash pad season will run May - September.
- Originally, the splash pad was open from 8am - 8pm, but we realized that more time was needed first thing in the morning to prepare and test the water. There's a possibility that we may still have to scale back open days later in the season.

## **How do I turn on the splash pad?**

- During regular operating hours, press the activation button the right side of the splash pad. A water program will run. Once the program finishes, press the activation button again for another program to run.

## **Is the splash pad on a timer?**

- Once the activation button is pressed, a 30-minute water program will run.

## **What type of water system is the splash pad?**

- The Center Park Splash Pad is on a recirculating system. This means that the system must filter the water that is taken back in which can take time. Additionally, the water that is being filtered comes back in dirty. The low quantity of water makes it more difficult for the system to clean itself.

## **What does it mean when the splash pad gets unexpectedly closed due to "high volume"?**

- This refers to the amount of people that have visited the splash pad throughout the day. The more people that visit and use the splash pad, the more water that must be recirculated. On busy, high volume days, the water tank takes longer to be cleaned. The more grass and dirt that ends up on the splash pad slows the flow rate of the water. With high temperatures and high attendance at the splash pad, the evaporates and is removed from the splash pad more quickly. Shutdowns occur due to "high volume" for immediate public health and safety concerns.

## **Is the Center Park Splash Pad regulated and monitored for public health and safety?**

- Yes, the Houston County Health Department does annual and random inspections throughout the splash pad season. Additionally, splash pads are regulated under the same State Department of Health regulations as a public pool.

## **Are pets allowed to play with owners on the splash pad?**

- While leashed pets are allowed in Center Park, pets are not allowed on the splash pad.