

# CITY SOURCE

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## Miller Center Closing for Renovations

The Miller Center, located at 301 Grove Street, will officially close on Monday, December 31 to undergo extensive renovations. Parks and Recreation Department staff, now housed at the Miller Center, will be relocated to a number of sites throughout the city and will be open for business at the temporary locations on Wednesday, January 2, 2013.

### Contact Information

All email and phone numbers for Parks and Recreation staff will remain the same. The mailing address will also remain the same: 301 Grove Street, Lynchburg, VA 24501. For a complete list of contacts, visit [www.lynchburgva.gov/](http://www.lynchburgva.gov/).



[parksandrec.com](http://parksandrec.com), or refer to the seasonal guide available at all City recreation centers, libraries, City Hall and other various locations throughout Lynchburg.

### New Office Locations

**Address:** Parks and Recreation Central Offices, 2704 Concord Turnpike (Former Region 2000 Administration Building)

**Office Hours & Contact:** Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., 455-5858  
The Parks and Recreation Customer Service Desk, administrative staff, Parks and Recreation director, parks and trails staff, and the special events coordinator will be located at this address.

### Athletics, Aquatics and Nature Zone

**Address:** Kemper Street Station, 825 Kemper Street (The Nature Zone is located on the lower level of the Kemper Street Station.)

**Contact:** Athletics Staff — 455-5849 | Nature Zone Staff — 455-5828

<b>Nature Zone Hours:</b> 6/1-9/30	Wednesday	3:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
10/1-5/31	Wednesday	3:00 p.m. - dusk
Year-round	Friday	12 Noon - 6:00 p.m.
	Saturday	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

### Volunteer Coordinator, Community Center and Recreation Services Supervisors

**Address:** Water Filtration Plant, 525 Taylor Street

**Contact:** The Volunteer Coordinator — 455-5886

City-wide Recreation Centers — 455-5837

Neighborhood Centers — 455-5857

Supervisors, Recreation Services Supervisor — 455-5877

### FAQs?

*How do I register for a class or program?*

Register online, by mail or walk-in at the Customer Service Desk located at Concord Turnpike or at any community center. Online registration is available at [www.lynchburgva.gov/parksandrec](http://www.lynchburgva.gov/parksandrec).

*I participated in classes at the Miller Center. Where are the classes now?*

Many of the classes have been moved to other centers, so be sure to check the recreation guide as well as the website for the latest information. Because of space limitations, some classes will not be offered until the Miller Center is reopened.

*How do I rent a park facility?*

Call 455-5858 or visit the office on Concord Turnpike.

*I want to hold an event using a City Park or Trail. What do I do?*

Call the Special Events Coordinator at 455-5871 for information. You can also find information on the City's Special Events Policy and how to apply for a permit on the website at [www.lynchburgva.gov/parksandrec](http://www.lynchburgva.gov/parksandrec).

*Where is the Lynchburg office of the Virginia Extension Service?*

The Extension Service will be located at 2348 Lakeside Drive. The phone number 455-3740, mailing address and email addresses will remain the same.

Visit [www.lynchburgva.gov/parksandrec](http://www.lynchburgva.gov/parksandrec) or follow them on Facebook for up-to-date information about the ongoing renovations at the Miller Center.



## Contest Deadline Extended!

The Lights, Camera, Lynchburg! video contest deadline for entries has been extended to Friday, December 14, 5:00 p.m. Some great videos have already been received, and now there's time for even more videos to be submitted!

All videos must be between one and three minutes in length and illustrate the theme, "What I Love Most About Lynchburg." A panel of judges will determine the winners in the Amateur, Professional and Top of the Class categories, while the Viewers' Choice winner will be determined by an online public poll. Cash prizes totaling over \$4,000 will be awarded. For complete rules and an entry form, visit [www.lynchburgva.gov/videocontest](http://www.lynchburgva.gov/videocontest)

## The Nature Zone: Holiday Open House

You're invited to the Nature Zone Open House on Sat., December 8, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at 825 Kemper Street (lower level of the Kemper Street Station, next to Amtrak).

Come enjoy warm winter treats and visit with the animals (and humans!) and visit the gift shop for some holiday shopping! Admission is FREE if you bring one of the items listed on [www.lynchburgva.gov/index.aspx?page=5312](http://www.lynchburgva.gov/index.aspx?page=5312)

For more information, call 455-5828 or visit The Nature Zone on Facebook!

## 2012 Citizens Academy Now Accepting Applications

Applications are now being accepted for the 10th Annual Citizens Academy. Deadline for applications is February 15, 2013. The Academy will be held on 12 consecutive Thursdays starting March 7. To learn more or to register online visit [www.lynchburgva.gov](http://www.lynchburgva.gov) under "Read About" or call 455-3800 for an application. Space is limited, so apply early.

## Leaf Collection Continues



Public Works leaf collection crews have made at least one complete pass through all areas of the city. Crews are now concentrating leaf collection equipment in the neighborhoods with the highest leaf volume.

Leaf collection will continue through fall and winter until all the leaves are collected. The City thanks you for your patience.



## LYNCHBURG CITY SCHOOLS

# LES Needs Your Vote!

The Linkhorne Elementary School (LES) PTO has applied for a \$50,000 grant through the Clorox Grants for Schools program to help fund a new playground, which also serves the greater Lynchburg community, including before and after school YMCA programs. The current wooden playground was built through community efforts in April 1989 with a 15-year lifespan. Nearly 24 years later, the much loved playground has deteriorated and unsafe pieces are removed every year.

Funding resources are scarce for both the school system and the parents of many of the children who attend LES (74% of current students qualify for free or reduced lunch.) In the Clorox Grants for Schools program the school entry with the overall highest number of text and online votes wins \$50,000 and the school entry with the highest number of votes in its category wins \$25,000. As of November 25, LES was ranked #8 out of 508 entries in the Play category. LES can make it to #1 with community support. You are encouraged to not only vote for LES, but to share voting information with

family and friends all over the world. If LES wins, the entire community will benefit.

You can text vote once EVERY 24 hours from each mobile device and once per day on the website. Voting ends December 19.

### VOTING Instructions:

1. Text "2123pbf" to 95248
2. Go to: <https://powerabrightfuture.clorox.com>
3. Click "Vote Now"
4. Type "Linkhorne" in Keyword Search
5. Click "Vote For This"
6. Complete brief registration
7. Log in the next time you vote



## Check Out the Career-Tech, AP and Dual Enrollment Courses

Lynchburg City Schools offers Career-Technical Education courses in the following areas: Automotive Service Tech • Building Trades • Business/Finance • Computer Systems Tech • Cosmetology • Dental Careers • Cooperative Technical Education • Marketing • Precision Machine Tech • Technology Education • Advertising Design • Early Childhood Education Medical Assistant • Nurse Aid • Culinary Arts • Engineering/Nuclear Technology • Air Force ROTC • Marine ROTC • Sports Medicine.

Career-technical program information may be obtained by reviewing the High School Program of Studies or by contacting a middle or high school guidance counselor. For additional information, contact Ed Dellinger, Supervisor for Instruction at 515-5000.



Lynchburg City Schools offers:

- 23 AP Courses in: Foreign languages • history • mathematics • science • English • government • art • economics • music
- Six Dual Enrollment Core Courses in: Pre-calculus • applied calculus • biology • college composition
- 13 Career-Tech Dual Enrollment Courses

Career-Tech, Dual Enrollment, and AP course information can be obtained by reviewing the High School Program of Studies at [www.lcsedu.net/departments/curriculum/program-of-studies](http://www.lcsedu.net/departments/curriculum/program-of-studies).

## Pilot Program to Help Students Complete FAFSA - Next Session Tonight!

As part of a national pilot project, Lynchburg City Schools plans to offer more than 50 opportunities for area families to work with experts so that they can maximize their financial aid for college and technical certification programs.

LCS is partnering with the Beacon of Hope and local colleges to bring the "Got FAFSA?" initiative to Heritage and E. C. Glass high schools. "Got FAFSA?" kicked off its first session in November at Heritage High School, and the second session will be offered at E. C. Glass High School **tonight, Tuesday, December 4 at 7:00 p.m.** Visit [www.lcsedu.net](http://www.lcsedu.net) or [www.beaconofhopelynchburg.org](http://www.beaconofhopelynchburg.org) for more information. You can also visit the Future Centers at either high school.



## Comment on the Comprehensive Plan

Parents, staff, students and community members: We need your input. Visit [www.lcsedu.net](http://www.lcsedu.net) and check out our 2012-2014 Comprehensive Plan, which focuses on the ABCs of Achievement, Behavior and Culture, as well as Operations and Personnel.

The plan includes the latest data on the Federal Graduation Indicator. It is updated regularly as data becomes available. There are two versions. One is a 99-page document that includes goals, data and strategies to reach each goal. The second is a shorter version that includes goals and data.