

January 25, 2019

Dear Rec Program Participant,

For many years the Village of Germantown and the Germantown School District have partnered to provide low cost, high quality recreational programs to community participants like you. Historically the School District has allowed the Village to utilize school facilities for community recreational programs at no charge. However, as we have worked on renewing this agreement, the School Board has made the policy decision that the School District should begin charging the Village for use of school facilities.

The Village sets fees for recreational programs to recover the direct costs of the program and as a result we will have to increase program fees in order to cover these additional costs. ***At the January 14th meeting, the Germantown School Board approved new facility use fees that will go into effect starting with the 2019 Summer programs. The full facility use fee structure will go into effect immediately for all programs, with the exception of the Kid's Klub Programs which will be phased in over a 2-year period.***

Since the increase in fees will obviously affect the families who participate in our programs, we are reaching out to you to provide you with updated information as early as possible, so you can plan for the increase.

You can find a detailed report on the impact for most Rec Programs on the Village website at the following link: <http://wi-germantown2.civicplus.com/DocumentCenter/View/3339/Kids-Klub-Fee-Analysis> and <http://wi-germantown2.civicplus.com/DocumentCenter/View/3340/Recreation-Fee-Analysis>

Please keep in mind that the costs included in these tables are estimates based on our best estimates of the facilities charges the School Board adopted at their January 14th meeting. If you would like additional information about the School Board meeting you can find it at the following link: <https://www.germantownschoools.org/district/boe.cfm>

The Village Board and Village staff remain committed to providing the high-quality recreational programs at the lowest possible cost to the community. We will continue to try to work with the School District, and are currently looking into other lower cost facilities when possible. If you have any questions or concerns, you can call the Parks & Rec Department at 262.250.4710.

Sincerely,
Steve Kreklow
Village Administrator
Village of Germantown