

## New Outdoor Pool FAQs

**1. Why is there only one pool and not two pools as first announced?**

The cost of construction and maintaining two pools was much higher than the original estimates. We were able to completely redesign the outdoor pool area within its current footprint so that it includes all of the exciting features we originally planned.

**2. Why is there a splash pad instead of wading area?**

Because the maximum depth of the interactive play area is only 9" there was no longer a need for a wading pool and instead a splash pad was added to provide another feature for children.

**3. Why is there no longer a shallow end, but an interactive play area instead?**

The decision to create a zero degree entry with interactive play features was based upon feedback from Bender JCC members and members of the community who were looking for engaging water features for children of all ages and abilities.

**4. Can we access the playground from the pool?**

Yes, members and guests will be able to enter the playground from the pool area on weekends only beginning Memorial Day weekend thru Labor Day weekend.

**5. Why have starting blocks been added to the pool? And can we use them?**

The starting blocks were added so that we can serve our swim team and local swim teams that are in need of pool space. They will only be used under supervision during swim team practices.

**6. Is the pool going to be heated all of the time?**

The pool will be heated, allowing us to greatly extend lap swimming throughout the year. The temperature is set to 83 degrees and will never go below that.

**7. Why are there steps instead of a ramp?**

Based upon the design of the pool the stairs clearly delineate the interactive play area from the rest of the pool. For those who need assistance to get in to the pool there are two chair lifts available.

**8. How do people who cannot navigate stairs enter the lap lanes?**

There are two chair lifts that will assist bathers in and out of the water.

**9. Will you be offering food at the pool?**

Yes. A new snack bar will offer snacks and drinks later in the summer.

**10. Will there be shade structures?**

Several shade structures will be installed towards the end of June.

**11. Why is the pool closed during the middle of the day in the summer?**

The pool is closed between 9 AM and 1 PM while camp is in session.

**12. What are the pool hours in the fall?**

Post Labor Day hours will be publicized in mid-August.