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Parks & Recreation

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Prime Time in the Parks to Kick Off with Badges & Parks Basketball Alliance

The City of Columbia Parks & Recreation Department and the Columbia Police Department have partnered to host the Badges & Parks Basketball Alliance game and skills competition on **Friday, June 10** to kick off the City's Prime Time in the Parks summer program.

Prime Time in the Parks is a late-night teen program that provides a fun and safe environment for Columbia's youth. The program is **free** to youth ages 13-17 years old. Prime Time in the Parks features video game challenges, billiards, card tournaments, sports, pool parties, music, field trips and more!

This year, the Parks & Recreation Department and the Columbia Police Department are working together to offer two opportunities during the summer for youth to show off their basketball skills.

Participants will have a chance to compete against Columbia Police officers and recreation staff during the following events:

- Friday, June 10 from 7-10 p.m. at Greenview Park, 6700 David St.
- Friday, July 15 from 7-10 p.m. at Hyatt Park, 950 Jackson Ave.

Select community centers will **operate extended hours, from 7-10 p.m., on Friday nights in June and July** as part of Prime Time in the Parks.

**Prime Time in the Parks Schedule
Friday Nights from 7-10 p.m.**

- **June 10**
 - Badges & Parks Basketball Alliance game and skills competition at Greenview Park, 6700 David St. (Greenview and Martin Luther King, Jr. parks)

- **June 17**
 - Hyatt Park, 950 Jackson Avenue
 - Katheryn M. Bellfield Booker Washington Heights Cultural Arts Center, 2611 Grant Street

- **June 24**
 - Pinehurst Park, 2300 Pinehurst Road
 - Lorick Park, 1600 Lorick Avenue

- **July 1**
 - Pool Party hosted by Greenview, Hyatt and Lorick parks at Greenview Pool, 6700 David St.

- **July 8**
 - Greenview Park, 6700 David St.
 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Park, 2300 Greene St.

- **July 15**
 - Badges & Parks Basketball Alliance game and skills competition at Hyatt Park, 950 Jackson Ave. (Hyatt Park & Katheryn M. Bellfield/Booker Washington Heights)

- **July 22**
 - Pinehurst Park, 2300 Pinehurst Road
 - Lorick Park, 1600 Lorick Avenue

- **July 29**
 - Pool Party hosted by King and Pinehurst parks, Katheryn M. Bellfield/Booker Washington Heights at Greenview Pool, 6700 David St.

For more information, please call the Parks & Recreation Department at 803-545-3100 or visit www.ColumbiaSC.net.