

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- Become a WRNP Ambassador
- Help at volunteer days
- Record plant and animal data
- Help with fundraising
- Donate via Paypal with our QR Code!



CONTACT:

For additional information please email the West Ridge Park Advisory Council at: info@westridgenaturepark.com

CONNECT WITH US:

Get involved and enjoy the beautiful park with us! Check out our calendar for free events on our website and on Facebook!

www.westridgenaturepark.org

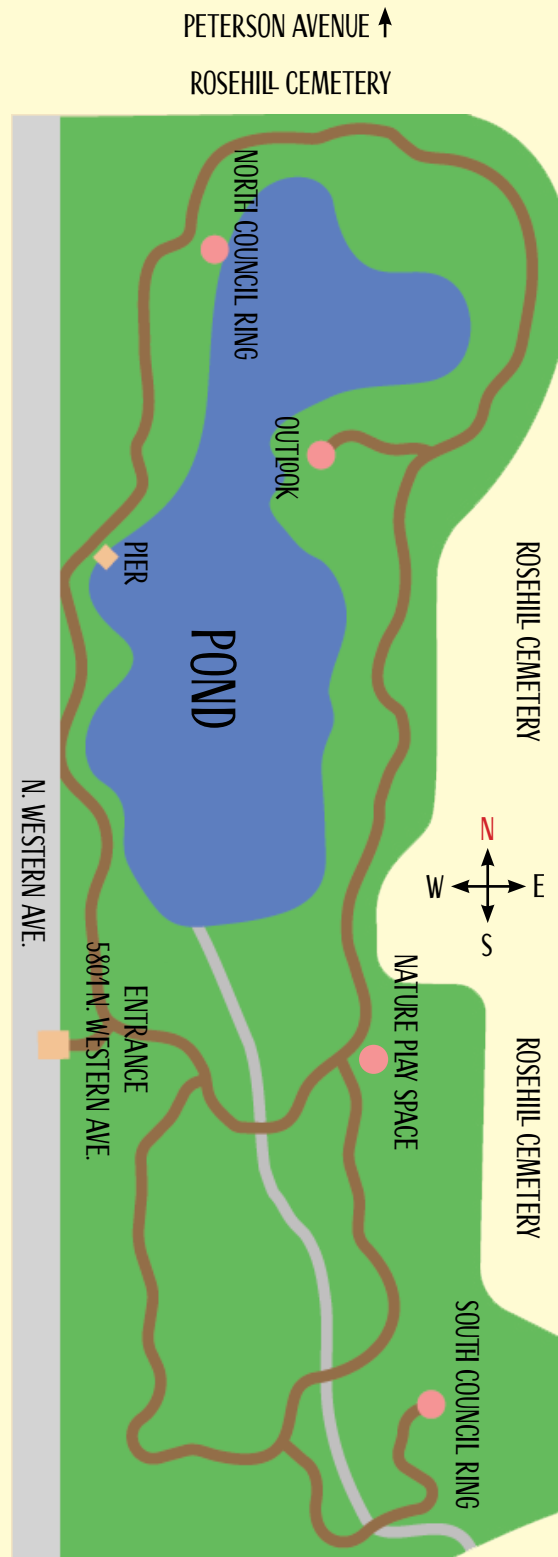
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Do not feed animals. It harms them.

Please leave **all** pets at home, **no dogs allowed** in the park. Dogs frighten the local fauna in the nature park.

No adults on bikes. No motorized vehicles. No scooters or skateboards. These items are not allowed for the safety of our guests and wildlife. Thank you!



WEST RIDGE NATURE PARK

5801 N. WESTERN AVE • CHICAGO, IL
EST. 2015

ABOUT WEST RIDGE...

In the early 2000's, plans were underway to convert this wilderness into a retail area. Instead, a 2005 congressional earmark funded the acquisition of this land from Rosehill Cemetery. The acquired land was transferred to the Chicago Park District in 2011. The park district's renovation has transformed this wilderness into the West Ridge Nature Park (WRNP), an oasis of native flora and fauna.



Photos by Vikoy Bautista

BIRD WALKS

If you are an early bird and want to see, hear, and identify birds, our morning guided walks are just for you. Check the calendar posted in the kiosk near the park entrance for dates and times.

STORYWALK

Follow our StoryWalk path, reading page by page as you go. The 12 child-level storyboards feature ever-changing storybooks with illustrations and sometimes local children's writings with drawings.

FIELD TRIPS

WRNP is an ideal place for students to explore a unique natural environment in an urban neighborhood.

School groups have come to West Ridge Nature Park since it opened in 2015 to learn about Illinois native plants and animals. You can choose from our extensive list of topics or meet with one of our educators, who can help you design a program to fit your curriculum.

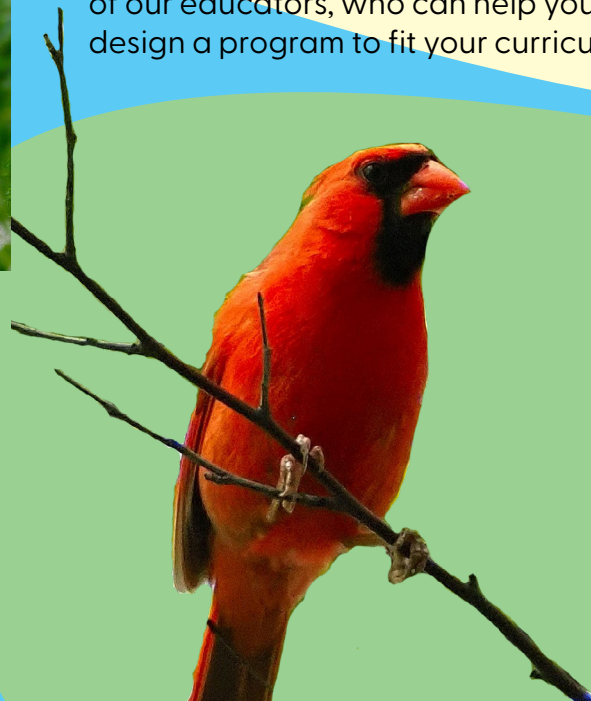


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NATURE PLAY SPACE

This open area allows children to use their imagination and creativity as they work together to build structures and games using natural materials.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Join our Nature Walks, Fishing Clinics, Nature Days, Forest Bathing, and Wildlife Monitoring. Throughout the year, we do species counts on bats, birds, butterflies, damselflies, dragonflies, frogs, macroinvertebrates, moths, plants, turtles, and more!

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