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**Put Safety First in Lisle Parks This Winter**

**Image: [Lisle Community Park Pond Covered in Ice & Snow](#)**

Lisle, IL – As tempting as a frozen pond may be for ice skaters and winter adventurers, the Lisle Park District prohibits anyone from recreating on frozen pond surfaces in the parks.

Unlike natural lakes, the ponds within Lisle Park District sites serve as stormwater management facilities designed to collect runoff, even in the winter. Because water continuously moves through this pond system, ice thickness varies from spot to spot. Ice might be 6" thick in one area while it could be less than 1" thick just a few feet away. And, because the ponds are in plain view of the public, some people, especially children, might assume that because they see a person on the ice in one location that it is safe to play on the ice everywhere.

We all hear tragic stories about winter drownings because of children playing on thin ice. Please help protect our community and keep Lisle safe – stay off the ice!

If you have questions about the types of activities that are permissible in the parks during the winter months, please review Lisle Park District's park rules and conduct ordinance at [lisleparkdistrict.org/parkrules](http://lisleparkdistrict.org/parkrules) or contact Dan Garvy, Director of Parks & Recreation, at [dgarvy@lisleparkdistrict.org](mailto:dgarvy@lisleparkdistrict.org) or 630-964-3410.

The Lisle Park District provides a variety of leisure activities for people of all ages throughout the year. Park district facilities include Lisle Community Park, home to the all-inclusive Discovery Playground and Community Park Public Boat Launch; the Recreation Center, which houses Gentle Learning Preschool, SEASPAR, the Senior Center, and multipurpose rooms; the Community Center, which contains Community Park Fitness and studios for dance and group fitness classes; Sea Lion Aquatic Park; The Museums at Lisle Station Park; River Bend Golf Course and numerous neighborhood playgrounds and park amenities, such as tennis courts, pickleball courts, ball fields, soccer fields, walking paths and picnic areas totaling close to 400 acres. It is the mission of the Lisle Park District to enrich the quality of life for people of all ages by providing constructive and creative leisure opportunities. For more information about the Lisle Park District, visit [lisleparkdistrict.org](http://lisleparkdistrict.org) or call 630-964-3410.

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