



# Department of Recreational Sports

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### Jesse Owens Recreation Centers Fact Sheet



Jesse Owens Recreation Centers were built in 1976 for a cost of \$500,000 each.

For facility hours and special events, visit [www.recsports.osu.edu](http://www.recsports.osu.edu).

Department/university has spent hundreds of thousands of dollars to update and modernize these centers.

Viewed by students as “neighborhood/community recreation centers” due to their location on campus.

One large open space as you enter, so it is easy to see and be seen from anywhere.

#### **JESSE OWENS NORTH**

Located at 2151 Neil Ave. (corner of Lane and Neil) within a 5 to 10 minute walk for 10-12,000 students. Only recreation facility at Ohio State where recognized student organizations and university departments can reserve basketball courts for the entire quarter.

Activities include:

•5,316 sq ft of fitness space, with the following equipment:

- 8 Treadmills
- 4 Bikes
- 12 Ellipticals
- 2 Rowers
- Benches
- Plate Loaded Machines
- Dumbbells
- Stretching Mat

•2 basketball courts

•Large “wrestling-style” mat- used by clubs and for stretching

Locker room (no showers)

Not air conditioned but has wall fans and exhaust fans

Men’s and women’s restrooms

Meter and pass parking available in adjacent parking lot.

#### **JESSE OWENS WEST TENNIS CENTER**

Located at 1031 Carmack Rd. Parking located adjacent to center

Activities include:

•4 indoor tennis courts (only indoor tennis courts at Ohio State)

•Can make reservations the day before play or a quarterly reservation

No air conditioning, but has exhaust fans

Men’s and women’s restrooms

Parking is available at the West Campus parking lots adjacent to the facility.

#### **JESSE OWENS SOUTH**

Located at 175 W. 11<sup>th</sup> Ave (across the street from south campus residence halls) within a 5 to 10 minute walk for 8-10,000 students

Street metered parking available

Activities include:

•7,020 sq ft of fitness space, with the following equipment:

- 10 Treadmills
- 6 Bikes
- 19 Ellipticals
- 2 Rowers
- Benches
- Plate Loaded Machines
- Dumbbells
- Stretching Mats
- Group fitness classes

•2 basketball courts

•3 table tennis tables (always available)

•Bouldering wall

Locker room (no showers)

Air conditioned and wall fans

Men’s and women’s restrooms



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### Outdoor Facilities Fact Sheet



There are 15 different outdoor facilities that have basketball courts, cricket pitches, jogging paths, sand volleyball courts, roller hockey rinks, tennis courts, playgrounds, picnic shelters, and restrooms. In addition, there are approximately 80 acres of grass fields/softball and baseball diamonds. Also, there is 1 synthetic rubber infill turf field available for year round use.

Department/university has spent several million dollars over recent years to update and modernize these facilities

Viewed by students as “neighborhood/community recreation facilities” due to their location on campus

Outdoor facilities are open year round, weather permitting (exception: grass fields are closed from Thanksgiving to the beginning of spring quarter)

Participants do not have to be a member to use facilities, but first priority for use goes to university community members and their guests.

Staffed by approximately 20-30 students each year to manage the facilities

Please check [www.ohiostateresports.org](http://www.ohiostateresports.org) for open hours and employment opportunities

#### Ag Campus

*Coffey Road Park* (lighted)

- 4 softball diamonds
- 5 flag football fields/ultimate disc fields
- Coffey Road Sports Center (support building)
- Future Plans include large shelters, sand volleyball/horseshoe/bocce/basketball courts

#### Central Campus

*Cannon Drive Basketball Courts* (lighted) - 2 courts

*Lincoln Tower Park* (lighted)

- Women’s Field House – Restrooms, drinking fountains, storage, and equipment checkout with Ohio State ID
- 1 infill synthetic turf field (shared with OSU Marching band)
- 15 tennis courts and 1 practice wall court
- 3 grass fields
- Future opportunities: 2 basketball courts, 2 sand volleyball courts, and 1 roller hockey rink

*King Ave Park* (lighted) - 2 fields used for rugby, soccer, lacrosse, and general purpose.

#### North Campus

- Lane Ave Basketball Courts* (lighted) - 2 courts
- North Beach Basketball Courts* (lighted) - 1.5 courts
- North Beach Roller Hockey Rink* (lighted) - 1 rink
- North Beach Sand Volleyball Courts* (lighted) - 2 courts
- Future Opportunities: 1 half-size soccer field – infill rubber synthetic turf; one 9-hole synthetic putting green

#### South Campus

- 11th Ave Basketball Courts* (lighted) - 3 courts
- 11th Ave Roller Hockey Rink* (lighted) - 1 rink
- 11th Ave Sand Volleyball Court* (not lighted) - 1 court
- Future: one 9-hole synthetic putting green

#### West Campus

*Fred Beekman Park* (lighted) - Located at the corner of Lane and Kenny. Named after Fred Beekman, Director of Recreational Sports Emeritus, who served Ohio State in a professional capacity for over 50 years, 47 of those as a paid faculty and staff member.

•43-acre state-of-the-art park – approximately 500 trees of varying maturity on the site.

- 9 landscape beds
- 3 lakes
- 2 basketball courts
- 4 sand volleyball courts
- 1-mile asphalt jogging path
- 2 picnic shelters
- 1 children’s playground
- 8 softball/baseball diamonds
- 12 grass field areas for flag football, soccer, rugby, etc.
- 1 pad with fitness stations
- Restrooms, drinking fountains, storage, and equipment checkout with Ohio State ID

*Jesse Owens West Park* (not lighted)

- 1 cricket pitch
- 3 basketball courts
- 2 grass fields for flag football, soccer, rugby, etc.
- Future opportunities: construct an 18,000 sq. ft. skate park for boarders, bikers, and bladers, and 2 basketball courts

#### West Campus Disc Golf Course

•18-hole recreational disc golf course (course starts next to Jesse Owens West Tennis Center)

#### Future Outdoor Facilities

•One Leadership Challenge Campus that will contain Buckeye Tower, High Ropes, Low Ropes, Rappel Tower, Confidence Course, and Leadership Development Course (adjacent to ARC)