

Friendly, Flexible and Cooperative

“The Rose Park Belmont Partnership has exceeded our expectations!

Their friendly, flexible and cooperative attitude in scheduling and accommodating requests from local schools, youth, and adult programs has been absolutely phenomenal.

The university takes pride in maintaining the facility and is quick to address any issue that is presented to them in a timely fashion.

Their priority has been cleanliness and safety and they’ve certainly raised the bar in that respect.”

John Holmes

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Facility Usage Report



July 2011 — June 2012

Meaningful Impact



This marks the second year of the innovative partnership between Metro Parks and Belmont University. While this report primarily fulfills our obligation to document the usage of the sport fields at the E. S. Rose Sports Complex, it also briefly highlights the partnership’s meaningful impact on the community center, the park and the community.

Here’s a little background for those who may not be familiar with the agreement. Belmont’s \$9 million investment in the park and annual lease payments of \$50,000 provide support to the community, surrounding schools and programming for youth and seniors at Easley Community Center. Our partnership promotes local sports programming but has produced innovative and creative collaborations between the department, the university, Carter Lawrence Elementary School, Rose Park Middle School, and local neighborhood organizations.

Located at E. S. Rose Park on the historic Edgehill Civil War battleground area, this is a revolutionary shared facilities concept. The E. S. Rose Park Sports Complex is a state-of-the-art, 24-acre community facility which includes: a 750-seat synthetic turf baseball field, a 250-seat natural grass softball field, a new 300-seat track, soccer facilities with synthetic turf for safety and speed, relocated basketball courts, a walking track, a single-story 5,150 square foot center providing team locker space, concession stands, a new playground with canopy cushions, and a training facility that meets NCAA Division One standards. Metro Parks oversees the scheduling of the fields.

Belmont University has been a model partner and we are thrilled with our partnership with the staff, the students and the community. This relationship gives new meaning to the power of partnerships!

Sincerely,

Tommy Lynch,
Director Metro Board of Parks and Recreation

This report outlines the usage and availability of the sports fields at E. S. Rose Park. The information was compiled using scheduling and booking data recorded by Metro Parks’ Athletic Division. The data for field usage is from July 1, 2011—June 30, 2012. Information is based on usable hours which are 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., (a total of 17 daily hours) Monday – Sunday, which totals 6205 useable hours per year for each facility. *For additional information on this report, usage of the fields or reservation, please contact Metro Parks’ Athletic Division at 615.862-8408.*

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Belmont University

Baseball	16%
Softball	11%
Soccer (Men's and Women's teams)	17%
Track (Men and Women's teams)	.06%

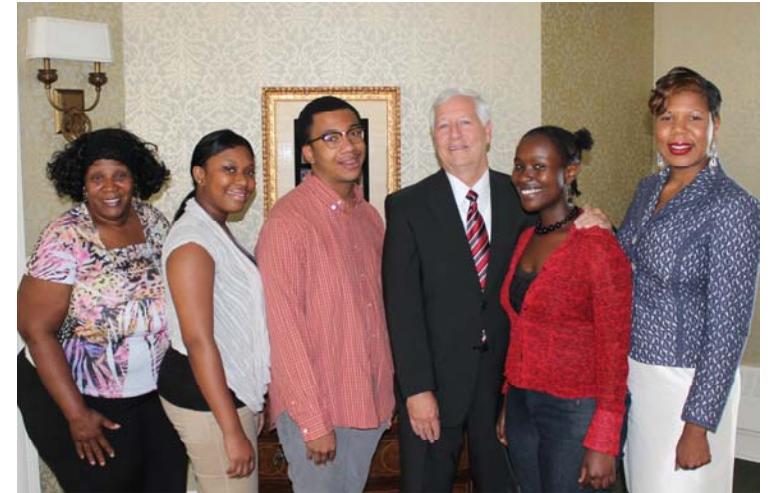
Community Usage

Baseball	10.5%
Softball	1.2%
Soccer	11.1%
Track	4.5%

Over the past 12 months we have seen elementary, middle, and high school sports teams, youth recreational and travel sports teams, as well as adult sports programs use the sports fields. During those months that Belmont is not in a particular sport, access to the field is only limited by the high demand from these groups.

While the numbers indicate that Belmont used more hours over the past 12 months, it must be noted that most non-Belmont user hours occur after 3:00 p.m. on weekdays and on weekends. Belmont on the other hand uses a large portion of their hours during the day, Monday - Friday, when demand is very low.

- Four Davidson County high school graduates and incoming Belmont freshmen received four-year scholarships to cover their tuition and fees at the university. They join seven other local students who are continuing their enrollment as upperclassmen at Belmont and as recipients of the Rose Park and Community Outreach Scholarships. The *Community Outreach Scholarship* is given biennially to a student within the geographic boundaries of the area.



Councilwoman Sandra Moore, Cherish Woodard, Ebone Haymer, Dr. Bob Fisher, Octavia Nichols and Councilwoman Erica Gilmore with scholarship recipients.

- *Family Literacy Day* is an event that is aimed at children from pre-K through Grade 6 and their families and is designed to celebrate the joys of reading. Belmont's Family Literacy Day is but one of many components of the Belmont Volunteers for Literacy program, that include ongoing tutoring programs at Carter-Lawrence School, Easley Community Center, and English tutoring with adults through the Nashville Adult Literacy Council.
- *Marketing Outreach Service Learning Project* provided three reports totaling 99 pages, which include an outreach manual for Metro Parks to use as a guide to identify programming needs, integrate service-learning and communicate with users of community centers as well as a case study on how they improved promotion of and volunteer opportunities within the Easley Community Center.
- Established the *Rose Park/Edgehill Walking Club* for seniors and others interested in establishing healthy lifestyle activities.