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- The Joyce Boswell Courts at Mills Park were used by Bryant High School Tennis twice a week in June while their courts on campus are under construction.
- Youth Archery Lessons ran on Tuesday evenings for the month of June. The inaugural program had 11 participants and taught beginners and experienced shooters and was held in front of the Bishop Park Pavilion.
- Summer swim lessons started at Mills Park Pool on June 2nd; along with classes held at Bishop Park Aquatic Center there were 203 participants in group swim lessons in June.
- A lifeguard certification course was held on June 3rd-9th. 6 new lifeguards were trained and certified.
- Bishop Park Baseball Complex hosted a Bryant Hornet Baseball Camp on June
 4 June 5.
- Hosted 2D State baseball tournament on June 6 8 at Bishop Park Baseball Complex.
- Hosted USA Recreational State softball tournament on June 7 at Bishop Park Softball Complex.
- A lifeguard in-service was held at Mills Park Pool on June 8th, focusing on "on the spot" rescues.
- The Bishop Park Splash Pad opened on June 10th after the maintenance team repaired the underground leak that delayed opening.
- The Bryant Youth Association began using our aquatics facilities on June 10th; Kindergarten going to the Splash Pad, 1st & 2nd graders to Mills Pool and 3rd-5th graders going to Bishop Pool. We are continuing our free swim lessons to the 1st-5th graders again this Summer.
- The BASS team competed in AAU All-Star Invite in Texarkana on June 13 15, finishing 2nd out of 15 teams.
- The Barracudas Swim Team continued practicing at Bishop Park Aquatic Center and held a swim meet on June 14th with approximately 60 swimmers.
- Youth Tennis Camp ran from June 16th to June 19th at the Joyce Boswell Tennis Courts at Mills Park. We had 25 participants ages 5 to 18.
- The Cal Ripken Baseball State Tournament was held on June 20 22 at the Bishop Park Baseball Complex.
- Hosted a Hoop Play Basketball Tournament on June 21 22 at The Center Gymnasium.

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- The BASS team was represented by 7 swimmers at the AAU Arkansas State Championships in El Dorado on June 27 - 29. The team finished 4th out of 14 and had 3 swimmers; Anson Nog, Jagger Mercing and Dalia Bird, who won High Point for their age group making them 2025 AAU state champions.
- Hosted USA Open Class State softball tournament on June 28 at Bishop Park Softball Complex.
- Hosted a Slammin Basketball Tournament on June 28 at The Center Gymnasium.
- The Bishop Park Aquatic Center and Mills Park pool hosted 28 party reservations in the month of June.
- The Center at Bishop Park hosted 21 party rentals in the month of June.
- Morning Pickleball Ladder League is currently being held on Monday mornings in the Center Gymnasium and has 50 participants.
- Beginners Pickleball Ladder League is currently being held at Mills Park and has 20 participants.
- Advanced Pickleball Ladder League is currently being held at Mills Park and has 35 participants.
- The BASS team will be attending the Junior Olympics representing Team Arkansas in Houston, July 21 - 27. Sixteen swimmers qualified and will be competing in the event.
- Replaced HVAC split system unit in Aquatic Center bathhouse.
- Spread new gravel into Mills Playground parking lot to cut down on the dirt/mud areas that had become problematic after rains.
- Continuing to rebuild fields A1, B1, C4, D2 and D3 at Bishop Park. This includes
 adding clay to the low spots and then leveling with SAF coat. This will have to be
 done multiple times after settling occurs before the fields will be back to the
 resiliency they were before the flood in April. We are also still working on fencing
 repairs on these fields.

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- Registration is open for Intro to Adult Tennis at the Joyce Boswell Courts at Mills Park that will take place July 10 August 14th.
- Registration is open for Nintendo Switch Bowling league that will take place at The Center July 9 July 31.
- Registration is open for Youth Basketball Camps that will take place throughout the Summer at The Center.
- Registration is open for Youth Archery Lessons that will take place throughout the Summer at Bishop Park.
- Registration is open for beginner pickleball lessons at The Center that will take place August 8th-29th.
- Registration is open for the Men's basketball league at The Center that will take place Sept 2nd-Nov 7th.
- Registration is open for Summer Swim lessons at Bishop and Mills pools.