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## THPRD BRINGS NEW PLAY EQUIPMENT AND OTHER UPGRADES TO MCMILLAN PARK

Residents of the Raleigh
Hills area of Beaverton have some
new reasons to visit McMillan
Park.

The Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District has completed several improvements to the 3.67-acre site, which is located at SW Chestnut Place and SW Cypress Street (see map on page 2).



The colorful new apparatus at McMillan Park inspires not only fun but imaginative play for all ages and abilities. It replaced a set that had been there since 1994.

The most notable upgrade

is new play equipment, which replaced a set that had existed there since 1994. The multicolored apparatus includes sitting and standup "whirlers," climbing bars and walls, and two slides – all designed for exercise and imaginative play.

In addition, a swing set dating to 1975 was replaced. All of the play equipment was installed in a new location closer to the park entrance, away from a wetland area.

Other improvements THPRD made to the park:

- o Resurfaced the tennis courts.
- Installed an ADA-compliant picnic table and bench with pad for universal, barrier-free access.
- o Upgraded the pathway with more than 200 linear feet of new asphalt.
- Built an 80-foot split-rail fence to protect users of the playground from traffic along SW Chestnut Place.

- Created a long sitting wall along the back side of the playground for parents and children.
- o Planted two new white, flowering dogwood trees near the park entrance.
- Modified the drainage system to eliminate runoff that used to spill over the pathway.

"We're happy to bring these improvements to McMillan Park," said Doug Menke,

THPRD general manager. "The amenities will bring people together and enhance quality of life for the neighborhood."

Funding was provided through THPRD's annual capital replacement budget. The park district also plans to add an ADA-accessible drinking fountain with two levels for humans and another for dogs.

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THPRD's newly improved McMillan Park is just south of the Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway at SW Chestnut Place and SW Cypress. The park is open dawn to dusk every day.

## **About THPRD**

Formed in 1955, THPRD is

the largest special park district in Oregon, spanning 50 square miles and serving about 240,000 residents in the greater Beaverton area. The district provides year-round recreational opportunities for people of all ages and abilities. Offerings include thousands of widely diverse classes, 95 park sites with active recreational amenities, nearly 70 miles of trails, eight swim centers, six recreation centers, and 1,500 acres of natural areas. For more information, visit www.thprd.org or call 503-645-6433.

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