

## Winchester-Clark County Parks Survey July 20, 2000

|                                       |     |       |                     |      |       |
|---------------------------------------|-----|-------|---------------------|------|-------|
| Surveys received                      | 576 |       |                     |      |       |
| Names disclosed                       | 394 | 68.4% |                     |      |       |
| Number In Household=1                 | 19  | 3.9%  | Age Group.:         |      |       |
| Number In Household=2                 | 146 | 29.7% | Under 10            | 261  | 17.0% |
| Number In Household=3                 | 100 | 20.3% | 10-17               | 284  | 18.5% |
| Number In Household=4                 | 137 | 27.8% | 18-25               | 147  | 9.6%  |
| Number In Household=5                 | 58  | 11.8% | 26-35               | 215  | 14.0% |
| Number In Household=6                 | 17  | 3.5%  | 36-50               | 308  | 20.1% |
| Number In Household=7                 | 7   | 1.4%  | 51-64               | 184  | 12.0% |
| Number In Household=8                 | 5   | 1.0%  | 65 +                | 135  | 8.8%  |
| Number In Household=9                 | 2   | 0.4%  | Total               | 1534 |       |
| Number In Household=10                | 1   | 0.2%  |                     |      |       |
|                                       | 492 |       |                     |      |       |
| How often do you visit a park?        |     |       | Rank Facilities?    |      |       |
| First time visiting                   | 5   | 0.9%  | Very Adequate       | 2    | 0.4%  |
| Twice a week or more                  | 149 | 26.9% | Excellent           | 90   | 16.0% |
| Once a week                           | 90  | 16.2% | Good                | 285  | 50.7% |
| Twice a month                         | 82  | 14.8% | Fair                | 156  | 27.8% |
| Once a month                          | 81  | 14.6% | Poor                | 28   | 5.0%  |
| Once every six months                 | 101 | 18.2% | Very Poor           | 1    | 0.2%  |
| Once a Year                           | 46  | 8.3%  |                     | 562  |       |
|                                       | 554 |       |                     |      |       |
| How do you get to park?               |     |       |                     |      |       |
| Automobile                            | 457 | 87.0% |                     |      |       |
| Automobile, bicycle                   | 4   | 0.8%  |                     |      |       |
| Automobile, Walk                      | 26  | 5.0%  |                     |      |       |
| Bicycle                               | 2   | 0.4%  |                     |      |       |
| Bicycle, walk                         | 1   | 0.2%  |                     |      |       |
| Bicycle/Motorcycle                    | 1   | 0.2%  |                     |      |       |
| Boat                                  | 1   | 0.2%  |                     |      |       |
| Bus                                   | 1   | 0.2%  |                     |      |       |
| Do Not Know                           | 4   | 0.8%  |                     |      |       |
| Other                                 | 2   | 0.4%  |                     |      |       |
| Walk                                  | 26  | 5.0%  |                     |      |       |
|                                       | 525 |       |                     |      |       |
| Adequate Facilities?                  |     |       | How feel condition? |      |       |
| Very Adequate                         | 45  | 8.1%  | Very Satisfied      | 63   | 11.5% |
| Adequate                              | 304 | 54.8% | Satisfied           | 306  | 55.7% |
| Not Adequate                          | 206 | 37.1% | Do Not Know         | 81   | 14.8% |
|                                       | 555 |       | Satisfied           | 15   | 2.7%  |
|                                       |     |       | Unsatisfied         | 82   | 14.9% |
|                                       |     |       | Very Unsatisfied    | 2    | 0.4%  |
|                                       |     |       |                     | 549  |       |
| How Improve?, number of comments made |     |       | 300                 |      |       |
| Other Comments, number made           |     |       | 101                 |      |       |

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|                                 | Yes | No  | Yes or No | Yes %<br>of Y or N | No %<br>of Y or N | Yes %<br>of survey | No %<br>of surveys |
|---------------------------------|-----|-----|-----------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Need active facilities.:</b> |     |     |           |                    |                   |                    |                    |
| Athletic fields?                | 294 | 150 | 444       | 66.2%              | 33.8%             | 51.0%              | 26.0%              |
| Indoor pool?                    | 453 | 48  | 501       | 90.4%              | 9.6%              | 78.6%              | 8.3%               |
| Gymnasiums?                     | 307 | 83  | 450       | 81.6%              | 18.4%             | 63.7%              | 14.4%              |
| Skateboard ramps?               | 288 | 156 | 444       | 64.9%              | 35.1%             | 50.0%              | 27.1%              |
| Tennis Courts?                  | 211 | 196 | 407       | 51.8%              | 48.2%             | 36.6%              | 34.0%              |
| Fitness Center                  | 303 | 144 | 447       | 67.8%              | 32.2%             | 52.6%              | 25.0%              |
| Other?                          | 0   | 1   | 1         | 0.0%               | 100.0%            | 0.0%               | 0.2%               |
| <b>Need passive parks:</b>      |     |     |           |                    |                   |                    |                    |
| Hiking Trails?                  | 435 | 75  | 510       | 85.3%              | 14.7%             | 75.5%              | 13.0%              |
| Nature Walks?                   | 452 | 63  | 515       | 87.8%              | 12.2%             | 78.5%              | 10.9%              |
| Camping areas?                  | 357 | 112 | 469       | 76.1%              | 23.9%             | 62.0%              | 19.4%              |
| Fishing areas?                  | 365 | 109 | 474       | 77.0%              | 23.0%             | 63.4%              | 18.9%              |
| Boat docks?                     | 211 | 144 | 355       | 59.4%              | 40.6%             | 36.6%              | 25.0%              |
| Other?                          | 269 | 156 | 425       | 63.3%              | 36.7%             | 46.7%              | 27.1%              |
| <b>Which In a complex?</b>      |     |     |           |                    |                   |                    |                    |
| Fitness center?                 | 341 | 0   | 341       | 63.0%              | 0.0%              | 59.2%              | 0.0%               |
| Social center?                  | 352 | 1   | 353       | 65.1%              | 0.2%              | 61.1%              | 0.2%               |
| Cultural center?                | 219 | 0   | 219       | 40.5%              | 0.0%              | 38.0%              | 0.0%               |
| Meeting center?                 | 129 | 0   | 129       | 23.8%              | 0.0%              | 22.4%              | 0.0%               |
| Aquatic center?                 | 239 | 0   | 239       | 44.2%              | 0.0%              | 41.5%              | 0.0%               |
| None                            | 15  | 0   | 15        | 2.8%               | 0.0%              | 2.6%               | 0.0%               |
| Total where at least 1 marked   | 541 |     |           |                    |                   |                    |                    |

## WINCHESTER-CLARK COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION MASTER PLAN TEEN OPINION SURVEY

Collection Sites:

|                         |    |
|-------------------------|----|
| 7th Grade Middle School |    |
| Clark Middle            | 19 |
| Conkwright Middle       | 22 |
| Total                   | 41 |

|                                |    |
|--------------------------------|----|
| High School Sophomore Students |    |
| Advisor/Advisee (Homerom)      | 59 |

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| TOTAL STUDENTS | 100 |
|----------------|-----|

### I. Where do you live?

| Response     | Middle School | High School | Total |
|--------------|---------------|-------------|-------|
| Winchester   | 27            | 42          | 69    |
| Ford         | 1             | 1           | 2     |
| Pilot View   | 1             | 4           | 5     |
| Clark County | 12            | 12          | 24    |
| Other        | 0             | 0           | 0     |

### 2. Have you heard about the survey Winchester-Clark County is conducting?

| Response | Middle School | High School | Total |
|----------|---------------|-------------|-------|
| Yes      | 3             | 4           | 7     |
| No       | 38            | 55          | 93    |

### 3. How often do you visit a public park in Winchester-Clark County?

| Response             | Middle School | High School | Total |
|----------------------|---------------|-------------|-------|
| twice a week or more | 3             | 6           | 9     |
| once a week          | 9             | 7           | 16    |
| twice a month        | 5             | 6           | 11    |
| once a month         | 14            | 15          | 29    |
| once every 6 months  | 5             | 12          | 17    |
| once a year          | 5             | 11          | 16    |
| never                | 0             | 2           | 2     |

### 4. How often do you visit a public park outside Winchester-Clark County?

| Response                     | Middle School | High School | Total |
|------------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------|
| twice a week or more         | 2             | 0           | 2     |
| once a week                  | 2             | 2           | 4     |
| twice a month                | 2             | 3           | 5     |
| once a month                 | 15            | 18          | 33    |
| once a year                  | 2             | 0           | 2     |
| never visit park outside W/C | 18            | 36          | 54    |

### 5. How do you normally get to a park in Winchester-Clark County?

| Response            | Middle School | High School | Total |
|---------------------|---------------|-------------|-------|
| bike                | 2             | 6           | 8     |
| parent              | 31            | 25          | 56    |
| friend              | 4             | 25          | 29    |
| walk                | 3             | 12          | 15    |
| other (drive)       | 0             | 3           | 3     |
| other (don't visit) | 0             | 4           | 4     |

NOTE: MS did not check more than one / HS, 9 checked 2 boxes & 3 checked 3

**6. Do you currently play an organized sport?**

| Response | Middle School | High School | Total |
|----------|---------------|-------------|-------|
| NO       | 16            | 42          | 58    |
| YES      | 25            | 17          | 42    |

**7. If YES, which sport(s)?**

| Response     | Middle School | High School | Total |
|--------------|---------------|-------------|-------|
| soccer       | 10            | 4           | 14    |
| baseball     | 8             | 0           | 8     |
| basketball   | 8             | 4           | 12    |
| swimteam     | 2             | 1           | 3     |
| football     | 2             | 5           | 7     |
| cheerleading | 2             | 3           | 5     |
| softball     | 1             | 1           | 2     |
| tennis       | 1             | 1           | 2     |
| karate       | 1             | 1           | 2     |
| gymnastics   | 1             | 0           | 1     |
| golf         | 0             | 1           | 1     |
| band         | 0             | 1           | 1     |

**7A. Through which organization?**

| Response                | Middle School | High School | Total |
|-------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------|
| through school          | 9             | 15          | 24    |
| other                   | 24            | 6           | 30    |
| (which group) WYSL      | 4             | 1           | 5     |
| select soccer           | 4             | 1           | 5     |
| parks & rec             | 3             | 1           | 4     |
| private clubs           | 4             | 1           | 5     |
| Civitan                 | 4             | 0           | 4     |
| jr. league              | 2             | 0           | 2     |
| little league           | 2             | 0           | 2     |
| YMCA                    | 0             | 2           | 2     |
| Play 1 organized sport  | 17            | 14          | 31    |
| Play 2 organized sports | 5             | 2           | 7     |
| Play 3 organized sports | 3             | 1           | 4     |

**8. Do you feel that Winchester-ClarkCounty has adequate parks & recreation facilities?**

| Response             | Middle School | High School | Total |
|----------------------|---------------|-------------|-------|
| YES                  | 14            | 20          | 34    |
| play organized       | 10            | 8           | 18    |
| don't play organized | 4             | 12          | 16    |
| NO                   | 27            | 39          | 66    |
| play organized       | 15            | 9           | 24    |
| don't play organized | 12            | 30          | 42    |

**9. What type of active facilities should be added to the Winchester-ClarkCounty parks system?**

| Response                     | Middle School | High School | Total |
|------------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------|
| athletic fields              | 12            | 13          | 25    |
| indoor pool                  | 30            | 32          | 62    |
| gymnasium                    | 9             | 15          | 24    |
| skateboard ramps             | 21            | 20          | 41    |
| tennis courts                | 4             | 11          | 15    |
| fitness center               | 10            | 18          | 28    |
| other (snackbar)             | 1             | 2           | 3     |
| roller skating rink          | 5             | 0           | 5     |
| horse trails                 | 1             | 0           | 1     |
| outside pool                 | 1             | 1           | 1     |
| basketball courts            | 2             | 3           | 5     |
| paintball field              | 2             | 8           | 10    |
| cheerleading soundproof room | 1             | 0           | 1     |
| dirt bike track              | 0             | 3           | 3     |
| teen room/center             | 1             | 0           | 1     |
| swings/slides etc. for teens | 0             | 6           | 6     |
| pool room                    | 0             | 1           | 1     |
| more dances                  | 1             | 0           | 1     |
| arcades                      | 0             | 2           | 2     |
| arts & crafts                | 1             | 0           | 1     |
| ice skating                  | 0             | 4           | 4     |
| volleyball                   | 0             | 1           | 1     |
| indoor track                 | 0             | 1           | 1     |
| rec. football field          | 0             | 3           | 3     |

**10. What type of passive facilities should be added to the Winchester-ClarkCounty parks system?**

| Response            | Middle School | High School | Total |
|---------------------|---------------|-------------|-------|
| Hiking trails       | 18            | 27          | 45    |
| Naturewalks         | 12            | 19          | 31    |
| camping areas       | 18            | 24          | 42    |
| fishing areas       | 14            | 19          | 33    |
| boat docks          | 13            | 19          | 32    |
| other (bike trails) | 2             | 1           | 3     |
| other (lake)        | 0             | 1           | 1     |

**11. What can Winchester-Clark County do to improve the parks system for the teens?**

- Middle School Responses
- Lake for boats
  - Chat teen center
  - Dances all the time
  - Different music at street dances
  - Make a place for street dances with DJ
  - Water fountains near basketball courts
  - Conservation programs
  - Teen Center to hang out
  - Build an indoor pool
  - More outdoor dances with better music
  - Add skate ramps that are safe
  - County hold more dances
  - Skate park for teens & basketball goals
  - Teen center for hang out with a lot of dances
  - More outdoor dances with better music
  - Social activities
  - Place for teens to hang out, dances
  - More facilities for teens with teen center

- A building with a gym for dances and an indoor pool for swim teams or a mall
- Teen center, skateboard ramp, a mall, and indoor pool
- Dances, skate park, roller blading, indoor track, indoor pool w/tube slides, mall, stables
- Add to playgrounds, more movie theaters, skate park for boards & blades, mall
- Have 3 street dances or 2 regular inside (with good pop music)
- Build new equipment for parks, have more dances, street dances, should have different music like rock, pop & rap. If you did that more people would come.
- Have a teen center for dances and just a place to hang out. We also need a place where all of our community clubs can practice.
- Have dances like twice every month indoor and outdoor - have indoor pools for exercise
- Teen center and more arts and craft things and a skating rink
- Add onto Lytkins Park, skate park, a big mall, and a big paintball field
- Add more places where teens are allowed to come and meet to do things with friends like a skating rink
- There isn't really an open gym that kids could go anytime. There also should be an indoor track
- Have security, snackbar staff, water fountains, like a game dancing room combined, movies, more fairs
- There should be a hangout for teens & have stuff only for teens & outdoor dances. Have better music at the Pioneer Festival
- Teen center with skate board ramps, a gym, a pool, etc.
- Place for teens to relax, maybe a teen center for teenagers, outside dances (no alcohol).
- A place to read, have fun. Teens need a place to have fun after tests. We need disco music at street dances. Competitive teams for the indoor pool.
- A teen center would be really cool. It could be hooked off the skate board park. It could have basketball and tennis court and a game room plus every Friday and Saturday have a dance.
- Dances, a skateboarding and rollerblading place. Indoor pools, a mall, stables, Bath & Body Works
- Maybe you can get a more mature playground for teens and like an area where teens can hang out.
- Put a hang out place and some rules that everyone should follow and they can have an outside dance with different kinds of music
- There isn't hardly any athletic field at some schools except there is mostly football fields and kickball field. Also, I think there should be more dances, and not only 1 a month.
- A place where you can hang-out, and dance and have arcade games. You should build a building for this idea. They should play heavy metal. We need some collectible card stores.
- Have somewhere between the town and the court to hang out like a skate park and parents can drop us off and feel safe about. Plus, have more festivals in the streets other than the street dance & Daniel Boone Festival.
- They can have a skating rink or they could get a nice mall..., or have more dances. Also, it would really be nice to have an indoor pool.
- I think if we had an arcade or dance room where we could just hang out there wouldn't be as much trouble because we would have somewhere to go and hang out.

### **Discussion Notes - Middle School**

- Needs - street dance with teens input on music, concert at Lytkins, indoor pool with slide, climbing wall, more fairs, talent shows at Pioneer Festival, batting/pitching cages, summer programs. ice skating rink, shopping places with stores such as Limited, Structure, Natural Wonders, sporting, etc., open field for practice, more food places (ice cream shop, candy shop), equestrian facilities, ice center with hockey, new bowling lanes, bike trails, indoor soccer
- Skateboard park at College Park or Lytkins not downtown (not safe)
- Utilize old Winn-Dixie and Jerry's buildings
- Pool has too many chemicals (hurts eyes) - new pool should have big and low dive, standing blocks, slide
- More food places such as Fridays, no beer bars, jazz club, steak house, Chick-fil-A, Raffertys
- Need Farmers Market

- Teen Center should have no dress code. Realize need for security with staff but should be older kids, not parents.
- Can help pay for teen center with car washes, dances, bake sales, donations, concerts and other fundraisers

### High School Responses

- More of them
- Need a VideoMax (video store) Add more stuff (in parks)
- More surveys
- More equipment for parks
- Build a mall
- More!
- Add more parks and facilities
- Need a football field marked off
- New P&R person besides Ken Davis
- Put in a teen center with all stuff
- Put in paintball center and laser quest
- I don't think that the W/C County parks system is adequate for teens at all. There really isn't anything for us to do at the parks. All our parks really have for teens is basketball and tennis courts and that gets old. The parks could be greatly improved.
- Put a skating ring in WIC for everyone to go to instead of having to go to Lexington to skate. I'd be there everyday.
- Add a fitness center. Have more activities for the young people and the teens.
- Make places like a dance room with a live DJ for teens, Give teens a place to hang out so we will have something to do. If we had something to do so many teens would not turn to drugs.
- Have open meetings where teens can voice their opinion on what they would like and how they could help get it.
- It'd be nice if they kept an indoor, glass goal basketball court that's open to the public every day and not just snow days (College Park).
- They need to improve the bathrooms for the girls and start a Christian park for people who don't like to hang around people that might bring them down.
- Add more places for teens to hang out. Teens don't want to be told what to do and what not to do--if they want that they would be at home.
- We don't need anymore parks, We need some stuff to be put on those parks. When you go to the park you need to be able to do more stuff than just swing on swings, like being able to fish.
- Orient them (parks) more towards teens and not little kids.
- Add more things that we would enjoy such as centers for us to just sit around and hang out at.
- Add a dirt bike track and more camping and fishing areas.
- Put in a skate park, more hiking trails, and we need more things to do, period. Then, we will maybe stay out of trouble.
- We need some teen clubs and things that teens are interested in.
- Have a dance club for teens, need a fun park with putt-putt golf, go-carts.
- Add a dance center and arcade. Have live music every weekend in a room with food. Have a skating rink for us to enjoy. Just a place to hang out. If we had more stuff to do, teens would stay out of trouble and stay off of drugs--hockey field, miniature golf.
- Have more stuff for teens to have fun with. Add some stuff that teens can do--a place where teens can have a party.
- We don't need any more parks, we need centers to keep kids involved in recreational activities.
- Improve basketball courts, condition goals and courts. Make other facilities better at the parks.
- Add other types of things besides 5 year old kids equipment
- Have some paintball fields, stores, indoor areas and more. I don't think we need a park. We need more recreational buildings such as laser quest and paintball fields.
- Put things in the park that teens will enjoy.
- Make the parks have more active things to do as an indoor pool because just having slides and swings are getting old along with the monkey bars.

- Add more parks and more fun things to go there.
- A place for skating, I don't believe there's a place where that is allowed and neighborhood streets aren't good for skating on.
- Add more recreational things to the parks that teens are interested in.
- Make it bigger, add two basketball courts, more playground equipment for big kids
- Winchester needs something for teens to do other than sit in a parking lot and get in trouble. We need trails to hike on or activities to do to keep us out of trouble. There is nothing in Clark County to do at the park--why would we go!
- Cleaner bathrooms, put in skating ramps. Build a skate park.

### **Discussion Notes - High School**

- Need dirt bike tracks and skateboard park. Teens will help get sponsors and people to help build. Announce the need for help over intercom.
- Need a mall with Chick-fil-A and other good places
- Need equipment in parks for teens such as swings and merry-go-round
- Need a teen center--doesn't have to be big, could be in building with something else, Should have a pool table, dances, climbing wall
- Need fun stuff like put-put golf, go-carts, dance club, paintball, ice skating with hockey.
- Parks should have water fountains and/or drink machines
- More people would use the Y if they have a daily fee instead of membership
- College Park is boring
- If a community center is built it should have a food court, maybe in the middle. An indoor soccer arena would be nice.
- There's nothing downtown to go for--need music store and other stores and restaurants
- Teens were in separate groups--groups were asked to design a park on 25 acres. Six designs were submitted.