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Mr. Andy Field
Director
Parks and Recreation
202 C Street, MS 37C
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Subject: Franklin Elementary Joint Use Area — Temporary Closure

Dear Andy,

Principal Bice at Franklin Elementary School has requested a temporary closure of the Joint Use Field due to ongoing issues with dog feces, digging activity, and the resulting health and safety concerns for students. In addition, holes created in the field have resulted in hazardous playing conditions.

Effective immediately, the Joint Use Field will be closed to public use through July 17, 2026, which coincides with the conclusion of the District's Extended Summer Program. Prior to the start of the school year on August 10, 2026, we will reassess the condition of the field to determine whether it is appropriate to reopen for public use.

We understand there are no current Parks and Recreation permits scheduled at this site during the closure period.

We are eager to begin implementing the progressive warning signage program at Franklin Elementary and to help the community better understand the impact that dog activity has on the District's ability to keep these fields open for public use.

The attached closure notice will be posted at the field entrances to notify the public.

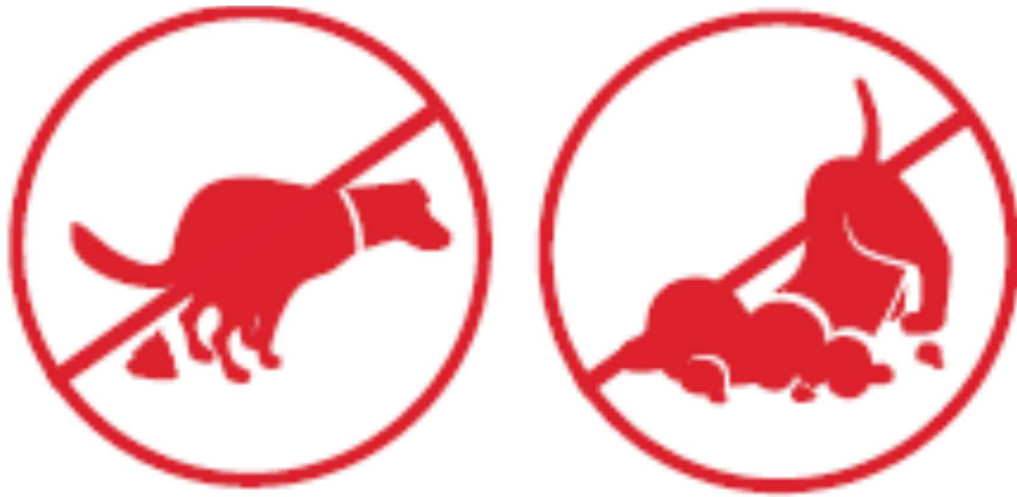
Please let us know if you have any questions. Thank you, as always, for your continued partnership and support.

Regards,

Gene Fuller

c: H. Bice, Principal
R. Meza-Ehlert, Summer Principal
L. Dulgeroff
T. Tincknell
S. Scoggins
G. Bordson

FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY JOINT USE FIELD TEMPORARILY CLOSED TO PUBLIC USE Through July 17, 2026



This field is temporarily closed due to repeated **off-leash dog activity**, including dog waste and digging, which has created unsafe conditions for students and the community.

To help keep our Joint Use Fields open, clean, and safe for everyone, all users must comply with City regulations, including:

SDMC §44.0304.1 – Immediate removal of animal waste.

SDMC §63.0102(b)(2) – Dogs must remain on a leash except in designated off-leash areas. **Joint Use Fields are not designated off-leash areas.**

Thank you for your cooperation in protecting this shared community resource.

