

Pool Renovations Updates

Dear TPS Community,

I am writing to inform you about an important update regarding our school district's Tecumseh Community Memorial Pool facility. After careful assessment and consultation with mechanical engineers, we have made the necessary decision to temporarily close the community pool, effective April 7, 2025, through mid-August, 2025.

Reason for Closure

The pool's dehumidification and ventilation systems, which date back to the original equipment installed in 1989, have broken down and are now beyond repair. According to the assessment from JRED mechanical engineers, further repairs are neither recommended nor cost-effective, and the pool cannot safely operate without properly functioning ventilation systems.

Proactive Approach to Pool Renovation

This temporary closure is actually part of our larger pool renovation strategy:

1. During this closure, we will replace all mechanical equipment for the pool.
2. This work was initially planned as part of our comprehensive pool project, but we are accelerating this portion to ensure the facility can reopen for the 2025-26 school year.
3. We still plan to close the facility in spring 2026 for the scheduled roof replacement.
4. By addressing the mechanical systems now, we can maintain pool operations between September 2025 and spring 2026, maximizing availability to our community and honoring our school swim seasons.
5. This phased approach will not increase costs, as we are simply adjusting the timeline of the already-planned renovations.

Impact on Programs

We recognize this closure affects various programs, including community swim lessons, open swim hours, Tigersharks, and aquatic exercise classes. Refunds for any pre-registered classes will be sent out. Annual passes will be extended for the time we are closed for this repair. We are exploring options for temporary alternatives where possible and will communicate these as they are confirmed.

Updates

Regular updates will be provided throughout the closure period. We will share progress reports, any changes to the timeline, and reopening information through the district website, email communications, and social media channels.

We understand this closure may cause inconvenience for many in our community who regularly use this facility. However, by addressing these critical systems now, we can ensure the long-term viability of our pool facility while minimizing overall disruption in the coming years.

Thank you for your understanding and patience as we work to improve our community resources.

Sincerely,

Matt Hilton