



Press Release

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World's Largest Swim Lesson Scheduled for June 14th Goal to Reduce Drowning Risks Everywhere

Join The WLSL Team & Be A Part Of This Amazing, Life-Saving, Event

Guinness World Record™ Will Be Sought By Organization

The Houston Parks & Recreation Department will join more than 500 official **World's Largest Swimming Lesson™** (W.L.S.L.) host locations around the globe representing 24 countries on five continents and 46 states in the US to conduct **The World's Largest Swimming Lesson™**. The massive worldwide swim class is designed to spread the word that *Swimming Lessons Save Lives!* Organizers hope to break the previous Guinness World Record & spread the word that the best thing anyone (adults & children) can do to stay safe in and around the water is to learn to swim. As an official host location, HPARD will conduct **The World's Largest Swimming Lesson™** classes in 20 H.P.A.R.D. pools across the Houston area on June 14th at 10:00 a.m. Water parks, pools and other aquatic facilities around the globe & in Houston will also host local WLSL lessons simultaneously in an attempt to break the Guinness World Record.

Swimming is a life-saving skill for children and a vital tool to prevent drowning, the second leading cause of unintended, injury-related death for children ages 1-14. Research shows if a child doesn't learn to swim by the third grade, they likely never will. **The World's Largest Swimming Lesson™** was created to serve as a platform to help local community aquatic facilities and the many different national, regional and state wide water safety and drowning prevention organizations work together to tell this important story on a local and national level.

To participate in **The World's Largest Swimming Lesson™** visit one of HPARD's 20 participating pool sites.

Agnes Moffitt	10645 Hammerly	77043
Denver Harbor	1020 Gazin	77020
De Zavala	907 75 th Street	77012
Glenbrook	8201 North Bayou	77017
Greenwood	602 Beresford	77015
Lincoln City	1048 Grenshaw	77007
MacGregor	5225 Calhoun	77021
Memorial	6402 Arnot	77007
Moody	3201 Fulton	77009
Northline	6911 Nordling	77076
Reveille	7700 Oak Vista	77087
Sagemont	11507 Hughes	77089
Sharpstown	6600 Harbor Town	77036
Stude	1031 Stude	77009
Sunnyside	3502 Bellfort	77051
T.C. Jester	4205 W.T.C. Jester	77018
Tidwell	9720 Spaulding	77016
Townwood	3403 Simsbrook	77045

Westbury	10605 Mullins	77096
Wilson Memorial	100 Gilpin	77034

The Houston Parks and Recreation Department (H.P.A.R.D.) stewards and manages over 38,752 acres of parkland and greenspace for the City of Houston and develops and implements recreational programming for citizens of all abilities. For more information on the Houston Parks and Recreation Department, call (832) 395-7022 or visit www.houstonparks.org.