

University Park and Lakehouse

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The University Park is a 10-acre "oasis" located in the center of EMU's campus. Whether you are planning an outdoor event, or a smaller indoor gathering, we can offer you the facilities to meet your casual planning needs. We have hosted corporate family day picnics, back-to-school orientation activities, family reunions, wedding ceremonies and receptions, bridal and baby showers, birthday parties, business meetings, 5K run/walks, and more!

The University Park boasts a lake with a bridge and sunning decks, gazebo, lakeside patio seating, amphitheater seating with a performance area, two basketball courts, two sand volleyball courts, and a picnic pavilion. Outside facilities can hold up to several hundred people, depending on the set-up needs of the client.

The Lakehouse provides a cozy gathering space complete with cathedral ceilings, a large stone fireplace, big screen TV, casual seating arrangements, and restrooms. Capacity of the Lakehouse is often quoted at approximately forty people, depending on the nature of the event.

Currently, we are able to offer two options for food service: All catered events can be booked through EMU's Event Planning Office at 734.487.4108. Or you may self-serve, carrying in your own food and beverage. You'll want to keep in mind the Lakehouse does not have any kitchen facilities, so all food should be brought in ready-to-serve. Outside vendors will not be allowed to deliver, set-up, or serve. *It is important to note alcohol is not permitted on our premises.*

Fees for large events are quoted per booking, based on the individual needs of the client, and the areas of the facility being utilized. Smaller functions are charged as follows:

\$75 for three hours, and \$20/hour for each additional hour.

A staffing fee may be added, if an event is booked past normal business hours.

We are able to provide many simple equipment requests, including a limited number of tables and chairs, electrical cords, power outlets, sports equipment, lounge chairs, sound system, CD player, DVD and VCR players, and canopy cover. Some equipment is free of charge, with others having a reasonable usage fee. A discussion about set-up needs with the Park Manager will cover any additional fees you might accrue. Peak business months include April, June, and September. No deposit fee is due, but cancellations may be subject to a charge.

Our calendar is open for booking year-round,
so call now to check on availability for your special event!

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