Globeville Landing Park
Youth Input Session
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Stapleton Recreation Center

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Number of participants: 17 ages 7-17. It was a nice blend of male and female. Some students were trickling in and out of the session.

Knowledge of where the park is located
• Only half of students know the park is located (group 1)
• Most on everyone knows where the park is (group 2)
• Don’t use it (group 3)

Do you like to spend time at the park?
• Not really, boring
• I like that the river goes to Mexico
• Don’t like the trash in the water

How many use the park
• 3 out of 5 students use the park
• 1 person from the group
• They use the park but not often

Getting to the park
• Walking (x6)
• Biking (x3)
• Drive- if an adult takes them

Why don’t you use the park?
• It’s not safe for kids
• There isn’t anything to do
• It’s a place to relax not play
• Homeless
• Not good for kids
• It’s a small park, it’s decent for relaxation but not an active space
• Only one bench
• No bathrooms
• It’s just a rest area for kayakers
• River is in the way
• Too far
• Trails are too narrow (east side of the water)

What do you like from other parks?
• Argo park- playground is too small
• The fields are separate at Argo
• “Secret Park” on 51st and Washington
• Cool art in this pocket park
• Argo Park- public swimming, slides, trails and bathrooms
• More activities
• There’s a small beach at a park downtown
• A bridge to cross the river
• Interaction with wildlife (ducks and bird watching)
• Swings (x3)
• Baseball fields (x2)
• Basketball courts
• Use Stapleton
• Like swings and playgrounds (x2)
• Climbing wall
• Water play

What would you like to see?
• Ground for playing fields, flat area (x3)
• Climbing on rocks
• Half flat spaces and half nature area
• Running paths
• Put signs up, “start, stop, one-mile” mile markers (x2)
• Like to go to park with friends
• A place to go during the weekends with family
• Big stone area near river to throw or skip rocks
• Shaded areas and grill for family (x3)
• Education/seating area
• Wider trail signs
• Active place for kids- cool places
• Passive grass for family picnics
• Flat land for sports
• Paths to the river
• Natural play
• Wildlife
• Places where kids can get wet
• Places to jump around
• Bathrooms
• Needs shelters for picnics and birthday party
• “Natural play helps kids with imagination”
• Water- it’s would be nice to sit and eat by water”

Voting

• Active Play (x28)
• Shade structures (x15)
• Passive Activities (11)
• Natural Play (x10)
• Wildlife (x10)
• River access (x9)
• Trails (7)
• Informal Bluegrass Lawn (x4)
• Education (x2)
• Native grass (2)
  Looks yellow “mow it”
  There can be snakes
  “Feels likes like freedom”

Post-It Notes on Board
• Bathrooms (x6)
• There could be more benches. There should be like hills so we could slide in a snowboard so we could do it when it snows.
• I think there should be space for sports like football or soccer. Kids should have good playgrounds to play and trails for running or biking.
• I feel like it might seem fun to have active play
• There should be baggies for dogs and a place for dogs
• Safety and security, natural play, natural shade
• Football (x2)
• I would like to see more of the river because it would be cool to see fish

Additional notes
• The primary place where kids play is in the playground at Stapleton rec center
• Students thought about what other age groups would want in addition to what appealed to their own interests.