

# Let's Go!

# Engagement Results

## Overview

In 2026, the Louis Murphy Park playground located near the Fuhrman Pavilion will be replaced to continue to serve as a social and recreational focal point for the neighborhood, providing opportunities to connect with nature and each other.

The goals for the engagement process were to:

- Determine preferred equipment activities, styles and color schemes
- Utilize symbol/visual-based engagement and multiple platforms (mailing, online).

Neighborhood residents and the broader community were invited to participate in the planning process by mail or online with the survey closing on October 30, 2025. Postcards were sent directly to local residents, while the wider community was encouraged to engage through a press release and social media announcements. An in-person workshop was also held at Bryant Elementary School, which serves neighborhood children.



Students in 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade at Bryant Elementary school select their preferred activities, equipment style and color scheme.

## Engagement Summary

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As part of the online survey, participants noted the street where their home is located to help understand whether responses were coming from the neighborhood or the broader community.

The majority of the survey results were from neighborhood residents with 40% coming from the broader community. When combined with the in-person event at Bryant Elementary school, neighborhood input increased to 77% of all participation.

In-Person Event	Online Survey
136 Neighborhood Students in 3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	105 Total Households 112 Neighborhood Residents 75 Community Members

The survey and in-person data were analyzed both as a whole (including non-neighborhood residents) and as neighborhood-only to ensure that where there was disagreement on a park element between the broader community and the Louis Murphy Park neighborhood, the neighborhood input was given priority.

## Play Equipment Preferences

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### Play Activity Options

Louis Murphy Park is a community park located at 1700 S. Grandview Avenue. The existing equipment at the Fuhrman Pavilion play equipment site includes slides and climbing options on a wood mulch play surface. The park also includes multiple pavilions, tennis courts, horseshoe courts, additional playground areas and public restrooms.



The planned improvements to the park include installation of new rubber surfacing and replacement of play equipment. The play site and equipment will be a similar size to the existing site and equipment.

Residents were asked which types of activities they would like to see accommodated in the playground equipment. They were also provided with the option of having no opinion on the topic. The results are below in the order of preference.

1. Track Ride/Zip Line
2. Climbing Structures
3. Spinner
4. Slides



### Play Equipment Style Preference



45% of residents prefer a nature-based style.

Residents were asked how they would like the playground equipment to look. They were also provided with the option of having no opinion on the topic. Neighborhood residents and the broader community were strongly aligned in their preference for **nature-based equipment using natural materials** (45%).



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### Play Equipment Color Scheme Preference

Residents were asked to select their preferred play equipment color scheme. They were also provided with the option of having no opinion on the topic. Neighborhood residents and the broader community were strongly aligned in their preference for **nature-based equipment using natural materials** (45%).



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