

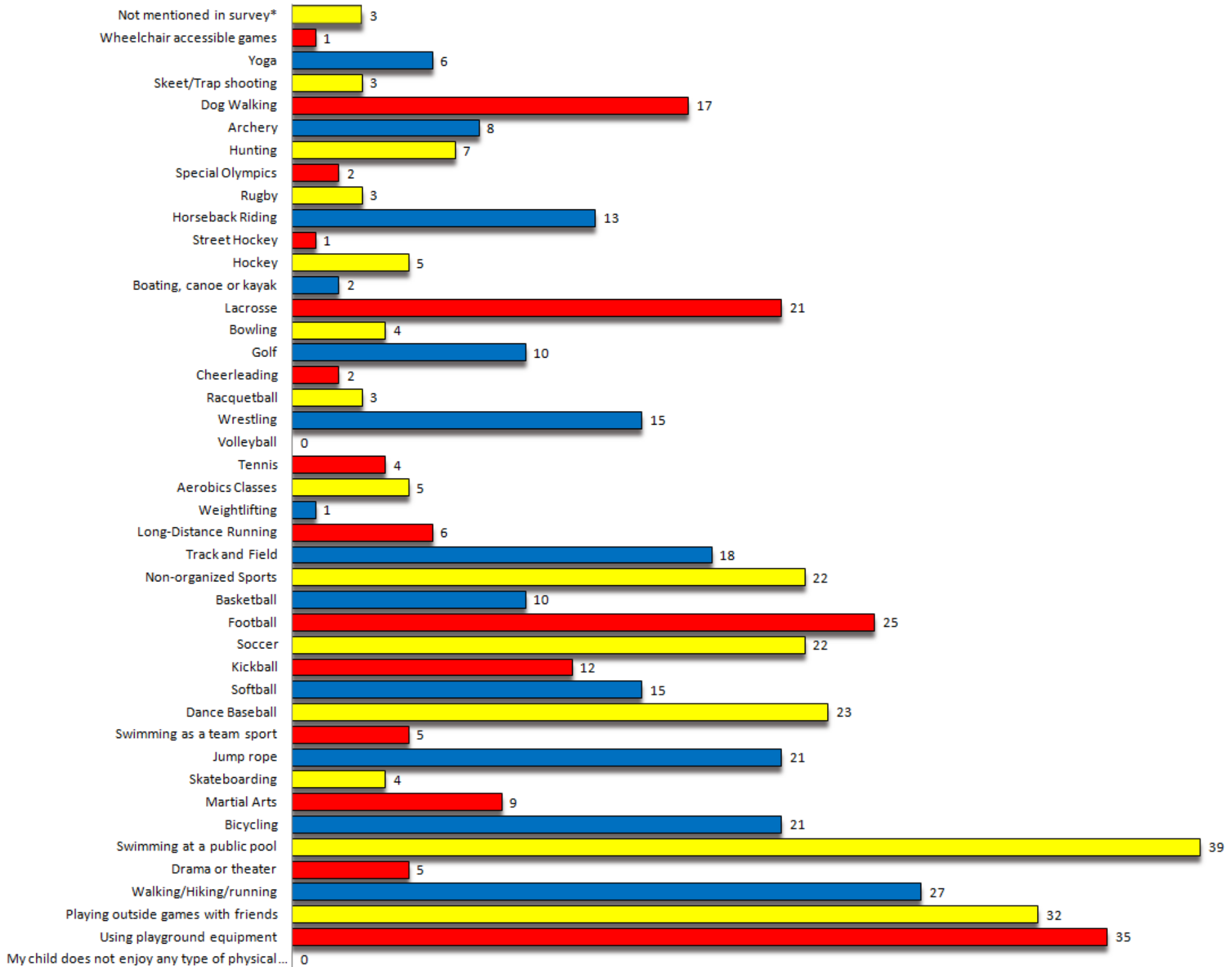
# How do children stay active in Leavenworth?

## City of Leavenworth Parks and Recreation activities survey for youth

A Survey Monkey survey was conducted March 7, 2013-May 7, 2013 with the purpose of finding out more about how children stay active in Leavenworth. It also served as a tool to inform Leavenworth families about some of the Parks and Recreation Activities available to them. The survey was promoted using the City's website, [www.lvks.org](http://www.lvks.org), Facebook, Twitter, Google Plus page, Time Warner Cable Channel 2 in Leavenworth and the USD 453 newsletter.

- Survey makeup: The survey was open, meaning anyone with access to the Internet could take part. There were 53 respondents to the survey. Some skipped questions. Out of 53, 45 respondents or 86 percent were residents of the City of Leavenworth. None were from Lansing. Three were from Fort Leavenworth, one from Easton/Northern Leavenworth County, one from Basehor/Tonganoxie or Southern Leavenworth County and two from outside Leavenworth County.
- Survey Monkey is a free online service. However, it has a pay option and so its free capabilities are limited to 10 questions.
- “What Types of Physical Activity does your child enjoy?” For this question, the City asked any type of activity it could think of that is available to children and also gave parents the option to add their own.

## Popular activities for Leavenworth-area children



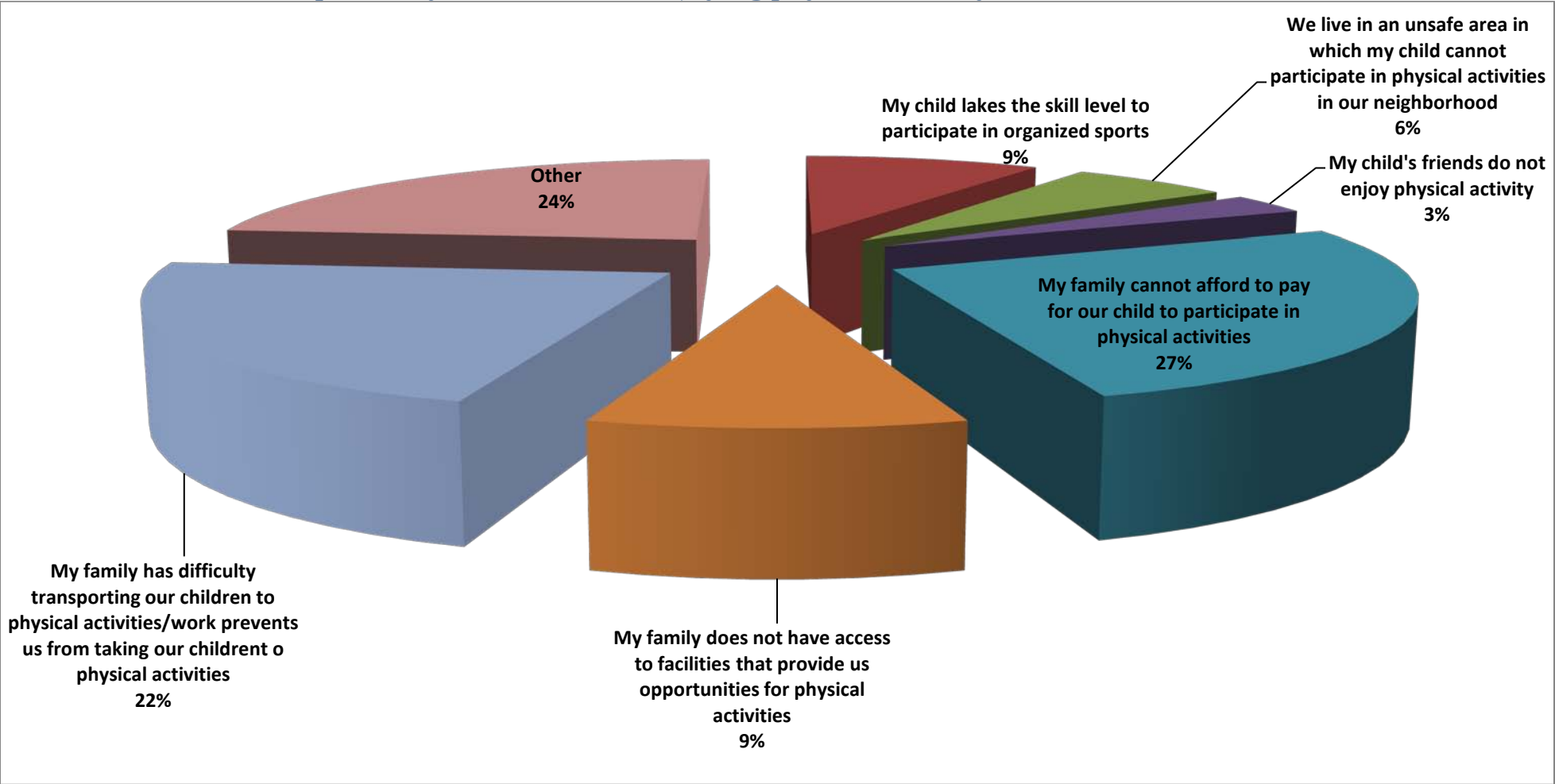
\*Respondents given a choice of "other" with text box. Written responses were:

- Gymnastics
- Would like to see classes in the arts offered to our children. Piaoano, pottery, painting, drama, etc.
- fishing

**Question: How much physical activity do you think your child gets daily?**

- 47 % More than one hour daily. (24)
- 45 % Between 30 minutes and one hour daily. (23)
- 7 % Between 15 to 30 minutes: (4)
- 0 % Less than 15 minutes daily

**Question: What factors prevent your child from enjoying physical activity in Leavenworth?**

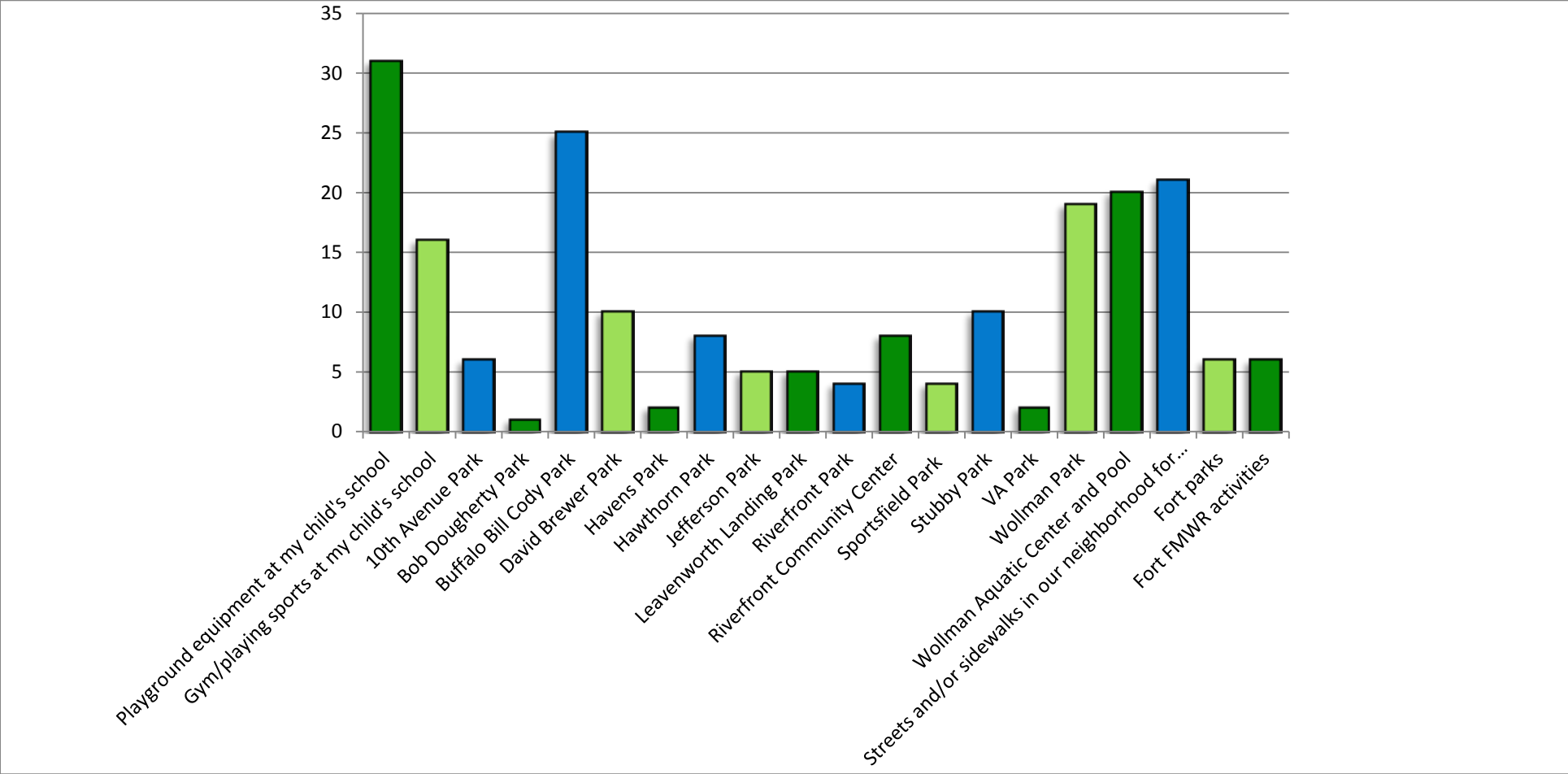


“Other” responses to this question: Not enough time for the children, not many organized activities for children under 3, schools cutting play time, lack of advertising, difficult work schedules for parents, not enough parks near Henry Leavenworth Elementary School and weather.

# How often do you visit Leavenworth Parks, trails, the Leavenworth Wollman Aquatic Center or the Leavenworth Riverfront Community Center?

- A few times weekly – 8
- Weekly – 17
- Monthly – 12
- Once in a season – 15

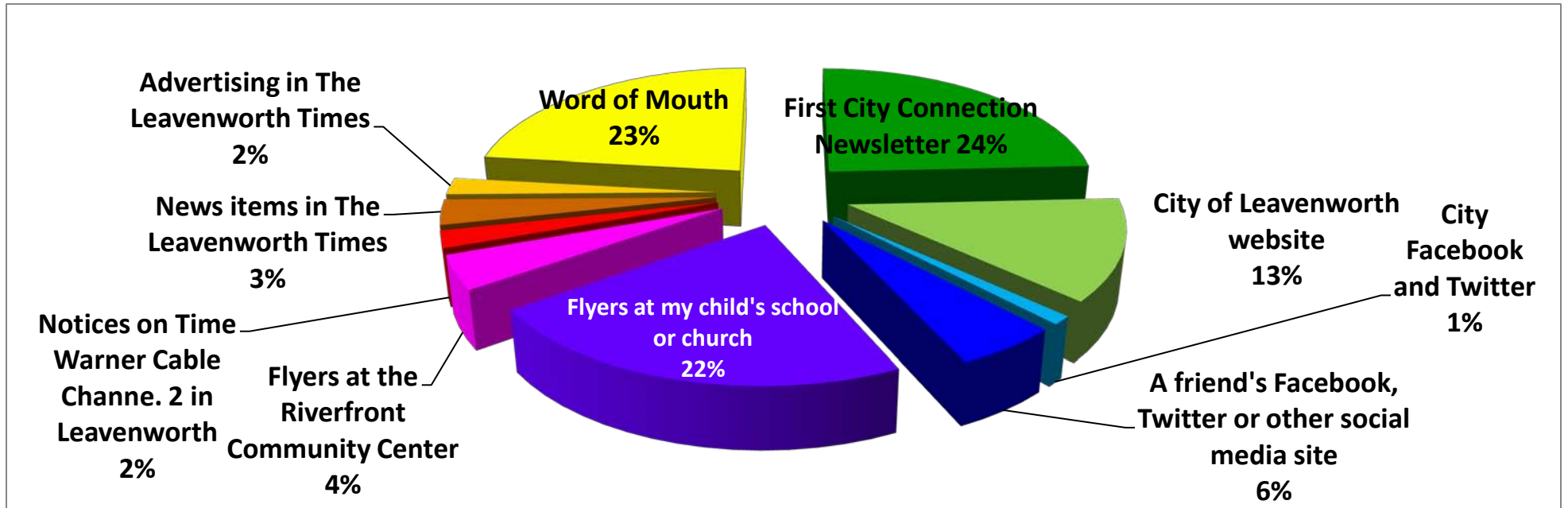
## Which facilities does your child utilize most in Leavenworth?



## What physical activity offered by outside organizations at city facilities does your child enjoy?

- 71.43% Leavenworth Soccer Association (15)
- 14.29% Leavenworth Football Club Tackle Football (3)
- 14.29% Leavenworth Football Club Cheerleading (3)
- 9.52% Leavenworth Football Club Flag Football (2)
- 9.52% Santa Fe Trails Bike Shop and Leavenworth Parks and Recreation Races (2)

## Marketing: How do you find out about physical fitness activities available for your child?



## Written responses Question 10: "What other opportunities for physical fitness do you think the Leavenworth area needs to offer for youth?"

would love to see playgrounds at every park. Example is the 10th ave park. I also get frustrated with the website. It says what youth sports are offered but not the time frames. I need to know what time commitment we are making before I even ask the kids if they want to take part in the activity.

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something for the real young kids

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More police enforcement of speed limits on some of the busier streets. Limit St. is REAL BAD for people speeding even though the limit is 30mph. My daughter loves to ride her bike but we keep her mainly on our street (Tanglewood St) because of people speeding, even on New Lawrence Rd.

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indoor rock climbing possibly?

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What would be really great is a centralized resource, especially an online one, that gives us information on everything that there is to do in town. The information seems to be dispersed through so many different venues that it's hard to keep track. Perhaps there is one and I just don't know about it.

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More children's competitions such as the "try" athalon

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Free activities

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Since we live in extreme northwest Leavenworth county, we don't utilize city opportunities much. My child's focus has been on school sponsored activities and competitive/travel softball in Kansas, Missouri, and Oklahoma.

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We would like to see a ice rink in future. My kids enjoy ice skating but I hate driving to KC. Elther an outdoor or indoor would be nice.

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Younger kids basketball (ages 3-6) and T-ball for younger ages (3-4) It's difficult to find things that our 3 year old can do with other kids. We utilize the parks a lot for him, but it's difficult to get him involved with other children other than older sister. He is able to play soccer which is awesome!!

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Bridge at Cody park needs replaced for children, new Zip line, football feild for are kids to play on. Vollyball nets in some of the parks.

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I think if some of the sidewalks were fixed it would make it easier to walk to parks in the area, ride bikes and take walks. Volleyball teams for teens would also be great, because they can only play through the school. If the pool was open earlier than 1pm it would also allow for more opportunities to take the children swimming, before it gets to the hottest hours of the day, avoiding nap times, etc.

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Gymnastics and or dance for children under 3

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I would like there to be an option to do tumble or acro in a session besides having to commit to a year of it at a local dance studio.

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cheaper rates for the activitive's for children to particate

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Youth Volleyball

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Organized fun play dates for elementary & preschool kids free or low cost.

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More bike trails

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No suggestions on specifics of adding activities but a better advertisement system so families who do not have computer access can find out about local services also where to look for the local services if they do have computer access

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Luckily we live on post so there is an abundance of activities here, but with sequestration - we may be looking for opportunities in Leavenworth city. Youth swimming, team sports, and gymnastics (for toddlers-youth) would all be activities we would be interested in.

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for children with special medical needs

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More indoor activities for winter time

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Not sure

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Dance, music. The Carnegie arts is closed. There is no place for our children to learn fine arts. Painting, dance, piano, acting,,, ect. Maybe the city could purchase the building and continue to offer these services. Would be wonderful to have these services offerd to my child again.

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We are very grateful for all the wonderful opportunities and the wonderful people who coordinate the events for our kids. Thank you!

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WII (videogames)

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More trails for running and biking. Not safe to ride on street, Overall, Leavenworth not a bike friendly town on the streets for kids to learn.

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I think they need to do some kind of horseback lessons, or maybe a parents against children soccer game or anything that can get more parent involvement with their children. but prefer to do evenings or Saturdays or Sunday afternoons. Also I think that the city needs to coordinate with other places. I.e dance class and other things to not plan a big activity on the same day as a dance recital or play or etc

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Transportation for children in childcare

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don't know

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I would like to see them offer more clinic and camps to help improve a developing child's ability at sports.

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I don't know.

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can't think of any

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A playground-style park on the west side of town would be nice. More activities for the younger children (under 5). I believe there would be more participation in Toddler Time if it were free.

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A girls youth volleyball club

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Anything!

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More family oriented activities.

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Expand and enhance pre-K and toddler indoor free play times, and offer a gymnastics or tumbling class for toddlers.

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FREE programs

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More sidewalks

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More preschool age activities

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N/a

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Free family activities. Officially "Fly a kite day" might be fun, family frisbee toss, or a frisbee golf course, story time etc. There are many programs available to our military families on post, but not many available for those of us civilians living off post.

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More free activities

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more playgrounds in newer housing developments

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