LORING PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENTS - CONCEPT PLAN

The proposed playground equipment focuses on a combination of custom, nature-inspired and net-based play features with tall structures, traditional elements (slides, swings, sand play area, spinners, etc.), and climbable features to create an accessible and challenging experience.

Feedback also suggested finding playground features and colors that fit Loring Park and context. The design response is to have a sculptural look to the East/Upper 2-5 age play structures (nodding to the other sculptural elements in and around Loring Park), then transition to a color palette and features inspired by nature in the West/Lower 5-12 age play structures closer to Loring Pond.

For sensory and imaginative play the playgrounds feature multi-sensory learning panels, leaf-shaped translucent panels casting vibrant colors onto the ground, and textured elements inspired by nature.

The proposed playground surface will switch from sand to accessible engineered wood fiber (EWF) and accessible rubber surfacing (poured into place onsite, NOT loose/shredded rubber).

Finally, supported by neighborhood meetings, park staff, site pop-up meetings, survey, as well as the master plan, the proposed concept removes the north container (5-12 age) to provide larger separation between the basketball and playground park uses. The West/Lower 5-12 age container is expanded to allow for larger playground features. The north container will be restored to greenspace with stone blocks added to support users of half court basketball.

Additions or alternates to the concept from community feedback are described on the following pages.
BIRDS EYE VIEW: 5-12 CONTAINER IN FOREGROUND, 2-5 CONTAINER IN BACKGROUND

No new plantings proposed

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Rubber ADA surfacing will be added to specific accessible features and will be in final plan.
VIEW 2: WEST/ LOWER PLAYGROUND CONTAINER (5-12 AGE GROUP)

Integrated Climbing, Sliding, Spinning, Multi-level Play Structure

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VIEW 1: MIDDLE PLAYGROUND CONTAINER (MIXED AGE GROUPS)

- Translucent Light Panels
- Alternate: Adult/Toddler Swing if Space and Budget Allow
- Toddler, Belt, and ADA Seat Swings
- Rubber ADA surfacing

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VIEW 1: EAST/UPPER PLAYGROUND CONTAINER (2-5 AGE GROUP)

Sculptural Main Structure with Accessible Features - Bridge, Slide, Balance and Climb Elements

Sensory Panels

Spinner

Sand Play Area

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