



THE NEW BALANCE FOUNDATION PARK AT FRANCISCAN CHILDREN'S

The New Balance Foundation Park at Franciscan Children's is a unique, state-of-the-art space that allows our patients, students and families to enjoy time outdoors while utilizing a wide range of adaptive playground equipment.

Karen and Bob Boudreau Adaptive Playground

The Karen and Bob Boudreau Adaptive Playground consists of swings, wheelchair swings and a merry-go-round, and is an ideal location for families who have multiple kids with different abilities to be able to play together in the same space.

The swings in the Karen and Bob Boudreau Adaptive Playground allow children in wheelchairs to roll onto the platform while in the chair, providing a safe, efficient way for children to enjoy their time outside.

The space also features power outlets so that children who utilize electrical equipment, like ventilators, have access to a power source so they can experience time outside with their friends.

Ed Swartz Peace Garden

The Ed Swartz Peace Garden has been a part of Franciscan Children's for many years. The space was built out in a more accessible location when plans for The New Balance Foundation Park at Franciscan Children's were developed. Patients, students and families are often on campus for long periods of time, so access to a space like the Ed Swartz Peace Garden is a perfect place to gather and reflect.

Family and Visitor Gathering Area

A crucial aspect of The New Balance Foundation Park at Franciscan Children's is the ample space for families and the community to gather together. The Family and Visitor Gathering Area includes picnic tables and benches that allow staff to bring family support programming, like games and meals, outdoors.



Interactive Playground

Music therapy is an important part of our students and patients' lives. The Interactive Playground incorporates a variety of musical installations so that our kids can enjoy the space and use music as a way to express themselves while outside.

Each of the interactive panels is designed to help strengthen our patients and students' fine and gross motor skills, depending on their needs and therapeutic goals.

Therapeutic Courtyard

The Therapeutic Courtyard is designed specifically for our inpatient and acute residential mental health units. The ability to be outside for these units is unique and offers a space for patients for quiet reflection, yoga, meditation, and other activities that are conducive to their treatment plans.

Mobility Courtyard

The Mobility Courtyard is designed to be utilized by our physical and occupational therapists for around 700 patient sessions per year. When kids are learning how to walk, or relearn how to walk, different surfaces can be challenging for balance and mobility.

This area was created so that kids can work on strengthening their skills on a variety of different surfaces that they could encounter in their day-to-day lives.



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Whether treating children during the polio epidemic or addressing the severe mental health crisis our youth face today, Franciscan Children's has always been a leader in tackling the changing needs of our community since 1949.

Today, we provide a wide range of expert care to children with complex medical, mental health and educational needs on our Brighton campus and throughout the community.

For the last 70 years, we have prided ourselves on the compassionate and expert care we provide our children and families.