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## **“City Summer Job Opportunities”**

The new Memorial Park aquatic facility will have many activities available this summer with slides, a wave pool, a recreational pool and other play areas. All of these activities require supervision by trained professionals and the City of Norfolk is encouraging lifeguards to apply for those positions now.

“We will need 40-50 lifeguards this summer plus an additional 10-12 swimming aids. There will be 15 lifeguards per shift with two shifts each day. We won't have any place in the facility that isn't being monitored closely,” said Sheila Schukei, Human Resources Director for the City of Norfolk.

Since that's more lifeguards than have previously been hired by the city Schukei is encouraging kids looking for a good summer job to consider being a life guard at the aquatic center.

Lifeguards must be at least 15 years old and have their lifeguard certification. Certification for new lifeguards will be held in March and again in early May. For information about being certified, interested individuals should call the city at 844-2010. Applicants need to be able to swim 300 yards and retrieve a 10 pound weight from a depth of 10 feet and then swim on their back to carry it to the end of the pool.

Schukei said that the lifeguard jobs are part time positions with a minimum wage of \$7.25 an hour and some guards with more experience possibly may be paid up to \$9 or \$10 an hour. Lifeguards will also teach swimming lessons, help clean the facility at night and prepare it before it opens each morning.

“It's an exciting opportunity for a young person who would like to work at a brand new facility. Lifeguarding is a great opportunity to work with kids, learn about responsibility and have the great satisfaction of being a mentor,” Schukei said.

Applications are being taken now through the end of February with interviewing starting in March. Jobs will be offered to applicants the end of March and the beginning of April. There will also be 12-15 people hired to work in the concessions stand at the aquatic center. Applications may be picked up at the City of Norfolk office at 127 North First Street.