

# Ponchatoula Inclusive Playground in Ponchatoula, LA

A UNIVERSALLY ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUND PROJECT



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Where **limitations** are forgotten, and  
**differences** are celebrated.



## Why do playgrounds matter?

Play is a critical part of the social, emotional, cognitive and physical development of every child. Unfortunately, the vast majority of playgrounds deny children with disabilities and critical illnesses the opportunity for exercise, entertainment and social interactions which other children enjoy. In fact, only a small percentage of fully accessible playgrounds exist within our nation and these are insufficient to serve 43 million Americans with disabilities.

An **Inclusive Playground** is specifically designed to remove physical and social barriers so ALL children, with and without disabilities and/or critical illnesses, can play side by side with their peers and families.

To be located in Ponchatoula, LA this playground will be an Unlimited Play inclusive playground — a place where limitations will be forgotten and differences are celebrated!

## THE VISION

The Ponchatoula Jaycees' mission is to provide development opportunities that empower young people to create positive change. We are dedicated to meeting community needs year-round. Our passion for this playground is inspired by children who have deeply impacted our lives. If even one more family benefits from the inclusion this playground offers, we will have achieved our dream.

The Ace of Hearts Foundation is dedicated to fostering community acceptance and providing support and encouragement to children with autism and special needs, as well as their families. Our mission is to give these families the opportunity to enjoy activities that typical families experience, without the added stresses. We believe there is nothing better than an all-inclusive playground. Many parks have limited inclusive equipment for children with disabilities. An inclusive playground offers ALL children the chance to play, develop friendships, and enjoy a safe environment.

## OUR INSPIRATIONS

**Ace**, an eight-year-old boy diagnosed with Sanfilippo Syndrome, and embodies the spirit of the Ace of Hearts Foundation. His joyful presence lights up any room, and he reminds us that disabilities do not define our capabilities. We love inclusive playgrounds because they provide a secure space for ALL children. Ace will be free to play and make friends.



**Hadley**, almost 2 years old, is the joy of our lives, lighting up rooms with her big smile. She loves running and climbing, but nearby parks don't accommodate her special needs for safe play.

Born without a sense of danger or fear, Hadley is energetic and deserves a safe place to play, as do other children with disabilities. They just want to play like other kids their age. Creating a park where children can show their true potential and enjoy playing freely is essential. Every child should have the freedom to exercise and play as they wish.

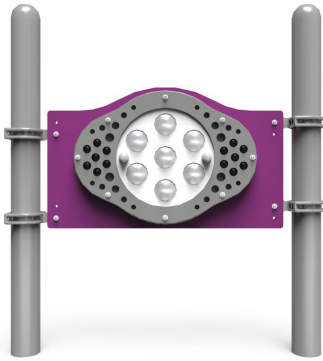


## YOUR COMMUNITY'S UNLIMITED PLAY PLAYGROUND

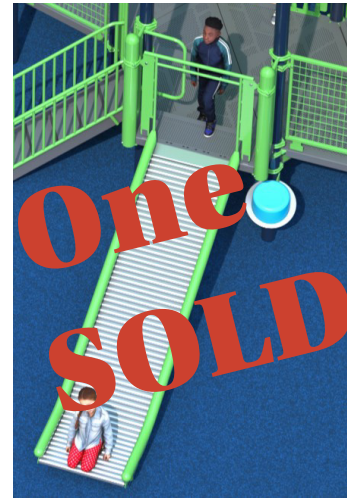
- Safe, smooth, spongy surfacing
- Quiet Grove
- Transfer stations throughout
- Specialized seating and handholds
- Slanted/graduated climbing elements
- Roller and molded slides
- In ground Merry Go Round
- Parallel play
- Lots of shade
- Fun, educational play panels
- Graduated Complexity
- Activity Panels

Become part of our initiative to create an inclusive playground.

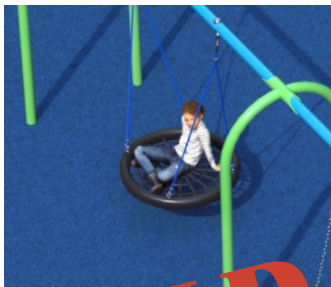
Your generous support will enable ALL children and caregivers of all abilities the opportunity to experience the joys and benefits of play. This fully accessible playground will truly impact all who come here.



Disco Ball Party Panel \$5,000.00



Roller Slide  
\$14,000.00 each  
Two available



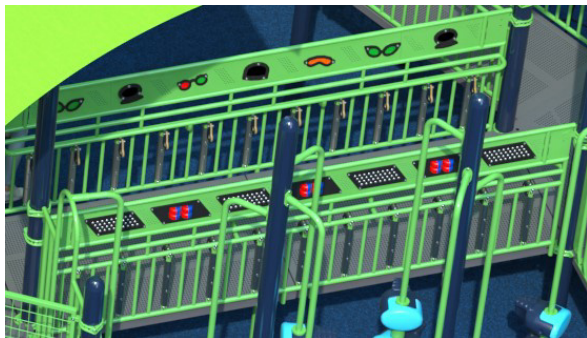
Inclusive Swing  
\$6,000.00



Sight Post Climber  
\$1,500.00



Inclusive Slide  
\$10,500.00



Interactive Railings \$14,000.00



Scramble Scales Panel  
\$5,000.00

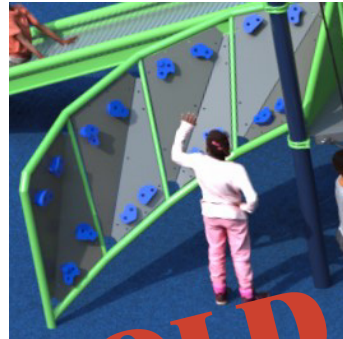


The Together Glider helps promote social development for children of all abilities by giving them an inclusive structure they can all enjoy.

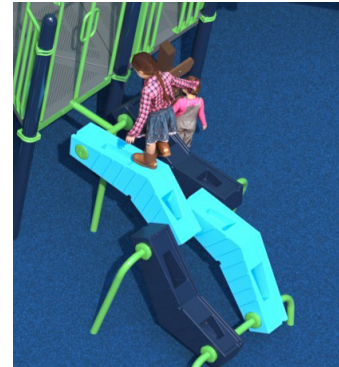
Together Glider  
\$24,000.00



Surface Spinner  
\$17,000.00



~~Solo Climber~~  
\$3,000.00



Stax Quad Climber  
\$5,000.00



Hoop-La Climbers \$8,500.00



Quiet Grove \$12,500.00



Swing Set with inclusive swing. Inclusive swing seats allow all children to feel included and have fun at the playground, regardless of their specific needs or abilities.

**SOLD**  
Swing Set with Inclusive Swing \$24,000.00



Alex's Lemonade Stand \$4,500.00



Double Bongos \$1,800.00



Climbing feature \$12,500.00



Tikes Peak \$12,000.00



## What is Unlimited Play?

Unlimited Play is an award winning nonprofit organization that builds universally inclusive playgrounds to promote health and wellness and change communities by providing freedom of play for ALL children. The transformational power of an inclusive playground brings kids and adults of all abilities together to play and learn from each other.

Unlimited Play is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that helps to plan, design and build fully accessible playgrounds. Unlimited Play playgrounds allow all children – regardless of their abilities – to play together. A valuable resource in our community, Unlimited Play has unique expertise in this area and is available to assist in the development of inclusive playgrounds that promote dignity, understanding and respect among children. In 2016, Little Tikes Commercial and Unlimited Play announced a partnership to help provide the magic of outdoor play to children of all abilities.



New Partners in Inclusive Play



From individuals making donations, businesses sponsoring playground equipment, corporations contributing grants and volunteers offering gifts of time, we welcome your involvement.

- Make a monetary donation using the attached form.
- Donate your time to a fundraising event or Community Build Day. Complete and mail the contact information on the attached form to be contacted about upcoming volunteer opportunities.
- Donate goods/services such as concrete, fencing, shrubs, etc. Complete and mail the contact information on the attached form, noting what goods/services you would like to donate.

**TOGETHER, WE CAN CREATE  
A DESTINATION  
PLAYGROUND WHERE  
EVERYONE BELONGS!**

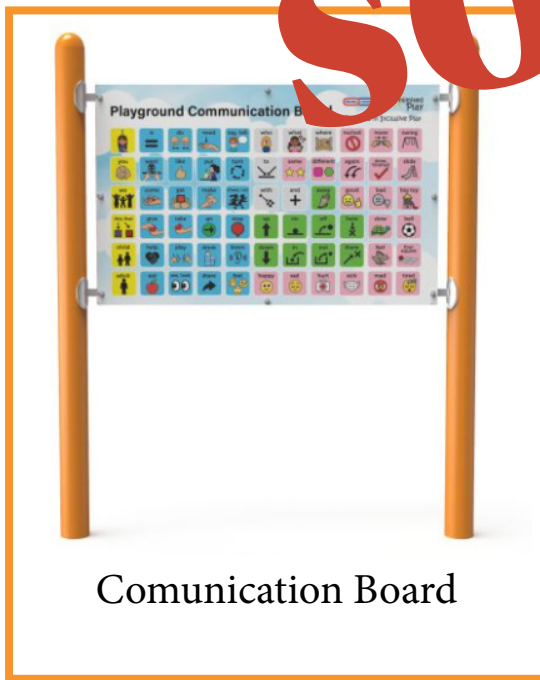


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# Unlimited Play Communication Boards



Communication Board



The JOY of PLAY Board

Communicate more effectively with Unlimited Play Communication Board! Words commonly used on the playground are featured in each block along with a graphic that either instructs how to say it in American Sign Language, or clearly depicts the word. This allows better understanding to occur between visitors of all ages and ability levels, and it can even be used by caregivers to help teach young children new words.

This board details different categories—sensory, physical, cognitive, and social—and their associated activities. Charming graphics help illustrate examples of activities to try and skills to develop. This provides a clear path for anyone looking to experience a particular element or benefit of play. It also is helpful for kids of varying ability levels to find an activity that they can all enjoy together.

## Step 1: Complete Donor/Volunteer Information: (please print)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Organization (if applies): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are only wanting to be contacted about volunteer opportunities such as community work days, leave the next sections blank.

## Step 2: Choose Your Donation

### ~Equipment Sponsorship

Please note that item quantities are limited and may no longer be available. Unlimited Play will confirm sponsorship upon receipt of both this application and the gift amount. Equipment may not be identical to photos in this catalog (color variance, etc.) Sign size and color may vary and be placed either on or near the piece of equipment in compliance with safety standards.

Unlimited Play is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, which makes your donation tax deductible.

SELECT EQUIPMENT ITEM FROM THIS CATALOG: \_\_\_\_\_

### ~Become a Donor

No donation is too small!

Leave a legacy ~ Put your name on our playground! Contact a committee member to find out how.

Donation Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

## Step 3: Payment

PAYMENT METHOD      ~ Credit Card   ~ Check   ~ Pay Online at [www.unlimitedplay.org](http://www.unlimitedplay.org)

Name on Credit Card: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount to Charge to Card: \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Card No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Security Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Card Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to:

**Unlimited Play, 5988 Mid Rivers Mall Dr., St. Peters, MO 63304**

Please write **The Ponchatoula Inclusive Playground** in memo line

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