# Lakewest Water Park

# Enjoy wholesome family fun at one of Katy's hidden summer treasures

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Tucked away on the extensive grounds of Faith West Communiy Center is LakeWest Water Park. The park offers swimming, paddle boats, fishing, and wholesome family fun right here in Katy. Pastor G.K. Kerr followed his vision to create a 5 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-acre lake that is not only a water park but a great place for fishing, boating, and even summer camps.

## Zip Lines, Trampolines, and Water Slides

From preschoolers building sandcastles to teens taking turns on the 75-foot water slide to school-agers zipping across the lake on one of the zip lines, LakeWest has something for every age. There's even "blobbing" - a water feature attached to a huge water trampoline. "Swimmers position themselves on the blob, then someone jumps from the trampoline onto the blob, sending the swimmer flying into the air," explains ministry and education coordinator Kirk Rightmire. LakeWest also has a one-acre fishing pond full of catfish and bass up to 10 pounds.

#### Safe Summer Fun

LakeWest is committed to making sure their guests are safe and the water is too. At least six lifeguards are always on duty, and every swimmer is required to wear a life jacket. The water in the man-made (Tues., Th., Fri., & Sat.) lake is circulated daily with a pumping system along with a mix of fresh well water.

# **Picnic and Concessions**

The gazebo and firepit areas make the perfect picnic spot, or guests can purchase concessions like hotdogs, chips, candy, and drinks.

## **Back-to-School Bash**

LakeWest has an annual back-to-school bash for Katy kids to celebrate the end of the summer season, which takes place this year on August 23.

Cost

\$10 Kids 4 &

under free

DAILY

6/8 to 8/18

2-7:30 p.m.

**OPEN** SAT. ONLY

8/21 to 9/2

2-7:30 p.m.

LakeWest is also available for private party rental. Visit faithwest.org and click "facility rental."