

Items we changed:

- We went with all turf and no rubber surfacing
- We changed out the roller slide for a climber – safety for small fingers or long hair
- We added another accessible entrance to the large structure
- We changed the colors
- We replaced one climber with monkey bars
- We added an activity panel
- We added another mommy and me swing

Here are some of the main specs:

- A larger 13,760 sqft play area with full turf surfacing (current playground is 12,250sqft)
- 15 Slides
- 17 Climbers
- 15 Interactive/ Sensory Panels
- 2 Mommy and Me swings, a saucer swing, 3 belt swings, and an inclusive swing
- 4 Musical Instruments
- 108' of Ramp
- 3,280sqft of Shade
- 2 Wheelchair Accessible Pieces with movement
- 4 Benches (2 Swinging, 2 Stationary, all 4 benches have shade structures)
- 46 Elevated Activities
- 34 Elevated Activities Accessible by Transfer
- 26 Elevated Activities Accessible by Ramp
- Fully fenced
- A toddler play area

Here are a couple of the highlights about the turf from Synthetic Turf International and from the playground contractor:

- STI's product is biodegradable and/or recyclable and lead-free
- It is also antimicrobial
- This new version reduces surface temperatures by up to 30 degrees
- There is also a 2 1/4 quarter inch pad under the turf which makes it safer than the hard ground
- It actually exceeds national safety standards, is ASTM certified, and is IPEMA certified
- This product uses sand as infill, not the old style crumb rubber.
- It is PFAS-free, fully ADA/ABA compliant, and consistent with all U.S. Consumer Product and Safety Commission Requirements
- 8 year warranty

Reasons Turf was chosen over PIP (Poured-In-Place Rubber)

- PIP can get hotter than turf
- Must be sealed with a chemical sealer every year
- UV exposure and seasonal temperature cycling can cause accelerated wear causing cracks or peeling
- Can be slippery when wet
- PIP can actually get harder year over year so a fresh layer of rubber may be needed every few years to stay within safe fall height parameters
- More expensive than turf