

Jam Hops Parking Justification

In our building plan we are including approximately 110-120 parking stalls.

Our busiest time is during the school year, M-F from approximately 4:30pm-9:00pm. However, we are open year-round, potentially from 9:00am-9:00pm every day of the week.

Generally speaking, the flow of our parking lot is that most of the recreational kids/parents come for a 1 hour class and then leave again. Then we have competitive and theater kids that are dropped off and later picked up for a 2-4 hour practice. In the evening, we have approximately 4-6 groups of 6-8 kids in the gym at any one time.

We have approximately 10 staff members on any given evening.

Special Events

We will on occasion host events. These are:

Theater performances – These are held Saturdays and Sundays and not during our regular class times. There are usually approximately 20 children in a performance (dropped off and picked up), 5 workers, and up to 70 spectators.

Gymnastics Meets - These are held on Saturday evenings, outside of regular class times. There are usually about 40 athletes/coaches/judges involved in the meets, and approximately 60 spectators.

Gymnastics Spring Shows – This is held over one weekend in May. There are many 1-hour sessions with approximately 30 kids, 50 spectators, and 8 staff members at each session. The sessions are spaced out so traffic and people don't overlap.

Past History

We have had quite a bit of experience with parking needs in our various buildings and stages of growth. For instance, our current Ham Lake building is 43,000sf and approximately 200 parking stalls. This has been quite adequate for our needs, and with the 13,000sf expansion we'll be adding about 20 more stalls. The current Anoka location is 16,000sf and has about 50 stalls. I always have to take into consideration which types of programs we are running and how much growth I anticipate when deciding on our parking needs. I feel that the plan we have come up with will meet our needs now and moving forward.