

Ronan Park

North Branch of the Chicago River

Address or Nearest Intersection:

W. Lawrence Ave. and N. Sacramento Ave.,
Chicago, IL.

Directions: You can enter the park from south at W. Lawrence Ave. or from the north at W. Argyle Ave. The CTA Brown Line is just a few blocks away.

Owner: Chicago Park District.

Habitat Description: Ronan Park is a small park with large lawn and restored forested area along river bank. A wood chipped nature trail along the west side of the river travels the length of the park.

The Ronan Park Natural Area contains over three acres of native river edge wildlife woodland habitat. It is a perfect spot for birding or taking a nature hike on the winding mulch trails. A paved path runs along the western border of the natural area on the west side of the river.

Access to water: Access to water is difficult. There are no designated areas for access. The descent into the water is steep and care should be taken not to disturb native plantings.

If water samples are being taken, only a few people should go down to the river's edge. No one should wade out towards the center of the river as it is VERY deep.

Amenities: Large lawn and picnic tables. No bathrooms – the closest restroom is in River Park to the north.

Parking: Free street parking on Lawrence Ave. (to access from south) or on W. Argyle Ave. (to access from north).

Capacity: 60 students.



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