



FLORIDA HOSPITAL  
CENTER  
ICE

Saddlebrook  
RESORT • TAMPA  
Golf • Tennis • Spa • Meetings

SunWest  
PARK

LITTLE EVERGLADES  
RANCH



# Office of Tourism Development

PASCO COUNTY

Pasco County continues to develop as a sports destination. The recent opening of beach volleyball courts and a System 2.0 wakeboarding cable system presents new opportunities for regional competitions. A four-sheet ice rink is under construction and is set to open late 2016. The rink offers space for ice-skating and hockey events and indoor floor space for cheer, dance and wrestling competitions.



*Savage Race at Little Everglades Ranch*



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## ACCESS & LOCATION

**Location:** West Coast, Central Florida

**Transportation:** Tampa International Airport; St. Petersburg/Clearwater Airport; Access to I-75 and Suncoast Parkway

**Population:** Pasco County - population is 485,500. Pasco County is included in the Tampa Bay Area.

## ACCOMMODATIONS

**Number of Hotel Rooms:** 3,638

**Average Daily Rate:** \$80-150, depending on the season

**Other Options:** A variety of housing is available: from RV campgrounds to resort villas. Meeting space is available for conventions and reunions.



Wicked Awesome Racing  
Cyclocross Race Series



Cross Country Racing



Skydiving



Dick's Sporting Goods  
Tournament of Champions

## FACILITIES & SPORTS

### *Land O' Lakes Recreation Complex*

**Description:** This athletic park consists of an 80-acre park featuring eight baseball/softball fields, three football/soccer fields and five soccer-only fields, with concessions and press boxes on sight. The recreation complex consists of a large gymnasium with indoor basketball courts and activity rooms. There is also a pool building with a large outdoor pool with a diving area.

**Sports:** Baseball, Softball, Soccer, Football, Basketball, Swimming

### *Little Everglades Ranch*

**Description:** A 2,050 acre working ranch specializing in breeding topnotch Hanoverian performance horses, as well as, Thoroughbred race horses, Little Everglades also is a host to many athletic events. The ranch features beautiful scenery and a versatile terrain featuring 500 groomed acres & 1,550 acres of fields, woods, lakes & wetlands perfect for many obstacle courses, runs and Cyclocross events.

**Sports:** Obstacle/Mud Racing, Equestrian, Cross Country and Cyclocross

### *Saddlebrook Resort*

**Description:** The renowned facility features 45 grand slam surfaced tennis courts and two 18-hole golf courses, one of which was designed by Arnold Palmer. Saddlebrook Resort has been named one of the Top 100 Golf Resorts in North America, the Caribbean and the Atlantic, as well as, Ireland and Scotland by Conde Nast Traveler magazine.

**Sports:** Tennis, Golf, Fitness and Spa

### *Skydive City*

**Description:** Skydive City in Zephyrhills is the only place that offers a panoramic view of Pasco County from 13,500 feet above the ground. Jump with USPA-rated staff and accelerate to 120MPH, freefalling for about 60 seconds. After opening the parachute, you will have 4-6 minutes under the canopy, where you can steer or just enjoy the view.

**Sports:** Skydiving - Tandem and Accelerated Freefall Training (AFF)

### *SunWest Park*

**Description:** SunWest Park is a recreational waterfront facility that has been developed around a former limestone mine. There is currently a System 2.0 wakeboarding cable over the lake, where experienced riders can practice their tricks on the spine kicker and modular box. A full cable system is set to open mid-2016. On the shores of the 70 acre spring-fed lake you will find space for 20 beautiful white sandy beach volleyball courts perfect for college competitions.

**Sports:** Wakeboarding, Beach Volleyball

### *Wesley Chapel District Park*

**Description:** This district park consists of 143.65 acres and has a total of 10 rectangular multi-use grass fields, along with 2 over-sized synthetic turf fields. The fields are lighted and available through the Office of Tourism Development for select regional, state and national soccer, lacrosse and flag football tournaments.

**Sports:** Soccer, Baseball, Softball, Football, Lacrosse

## OTHER FACILITIES AVAILABLE

- All Sports Arena - roller and ball hockey
- Arthur F. Engle Memorial Park - 40 acres, baseball, soccer & football
- Florida Hospital Center Ice - indoor ice rink, hockey leagues & skating programs
- Green Swamp West Trails - hiking & biking
- J. Ben Harrill Recreation Complex - baseball, basketball, football & soccer
- J.B. Starkey Wilderness Park - running and cycling trails, paved and off-road
- Lane Glo Bowl & Lane Glo North - bowling
- New Port Richey Recreation and Aquatics Center - basketball, swimming & fitness
- Golf Courses - over 25 courses including daily fee, private and resort
- Sam W. Pasco Park - baseball, softball & three soccer fields
- Spinnations - roller figure and speed skating
- Suncoast Trail - 42 miles of cycling and running trails
- Veterans Memorial Park - basketball, football, soccer, swimming, softball and a multi-purpose trail
- W.H. Mitchell Park - softball & soccer
- Werner-Boyce Salt Springs State Park - kayaking, paddle boarding, hiking
- Withlacoochee State Trail - hiking & biking

## EVENTS HOSTED

- Caliente Bare Dare Run
- Derek Pieper Memorial Cup - Lacrosse
- Dick's Sporting Goods Tournament of Champions - Lacrosse
- Florida Cyclocross Series
  - Florida State Cyclocross Championship
  - Race for Humanity Criterium
  - Wicked Hardah Cyclocross
- Florida State USBC Youth Bowling Tournament
- Gran Fondo Florida - Cycling
- Harry Olsen Memorial Cup
- I Lacrosse My Heart Tournament
- Longleaf Triathlon
- NCAA Beach Volleyball
- PBA 50 Senior Tour - Bowling
- Savage Race FL - Mud & Obstacle Racing
- USPA Nationals Championship - Sky Diving, Canopy Piloting & FAI World Meet
- World Master's Ball Hockey

*“Pasco County has been a tremendous partner and a valuable asset in helping grow our national championship.*

*The support we’ve received within Pasco has been instrumental in event facilitation and operations.”*

*— Josh Gross, NDP Lacrosse – Vice President, Business Operations*

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## COLLEGES and UNIVERSITIES

### Pasco Hernando State College

10230 Ridge Road  
New Port Richey, FL 34654-5199  
(727) 816-3342  
[www.phcc.edu](http://www.phcc.edu)

### St. Leo University

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Saint Leo University - MC2038  
Post Office Box 6665  
Saint Leo, FL 33574-6665  
(352) 588-8200  
[www.saintleo.edu](http://www.saintleo.edu)

### Trinity College

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Trinity, FL 34655  
(727) 376-6911  
[www.trinitycollege.edu/athletics](http://www.trinitycollege.edu/athletics)

*“The area around San Antonio, Florida has a rich cycling history, once home to the famous Darby Road Race that has seen the likes of Tour De France winner Laurent Fignon. This area is and has been the winter training site of some of the top triathletes in the world including members of the TIMEX team and the hometown former US National Cycling team members Josh Thornton and Derek Wilkerson. The area has endless miles of beautiful rolling farm land, with scenic views of horse farms and orange groves.”*

*—Reuben Kline, Gran Fondo National Championship Series*