



Basketball

Boys & Girls In-Town (2016-2017 school year) grades k to 8th

The Bridgewater Township Recreation Department encourages everyone to participate in our programs. We have a working relationship with the Somerset County Therapeutic Recreation Department (TR) allowing for recreation programs that can promote an active lifestyle that improves social, cognitive, emotional functioning and enhances participants' abilities. If your child has any special needs and may require a reasonable accommodation, please note appropriately on the following registration form three (3) weeks prior to the deadline.

Kindergarten Basketball

This program is full of new and exciting introductions to basketball basics & is run by the experienced Bridgewater Recreation staff for kids of all abilities to have fun! This program will run for eight (8) Saturdays - January 7, 14, 21, 28, February 4, 11, 25 and March 4, 2017 (no basketball on February 18th). Games will be played at Adamsville School (Rt. 28/Union Ave.) in the afternoons. (Time and location are pending registration numbers.) Cost is \$50.00 Bridgewater Residents and \$60.00 Raritan Residents.

1st Grade Basketball

This program will help each participant to gain experience with a basketball and the proper techniques to develop and apply skills in fine and gross motor movement. The intent for participant outcome is that each player should be able to demonstrate basic knowledge about how to use a basketball properly! The Bridgewater Recreation Staff will be running the Saturday morning sessions (sorry, no volunteer coaches for this league) beginning January 7, 14, 21, 28, February 4, 11, 25 and March 4, 2017 (no basketball on February 18th). Games will be played at Adamsville School (Rt. 28/Union Ave.) times starting at 9am through noon. (Time and location are pending registration numbers.) Cost is \$50.00 Bridgewater Residents and \$60.00 Raritan Residents.

2nd Grade Basketball

This program will teach the basic skills of the game (dribbling, passing, and shooting) and how to play in a fun and non-competitive environment. The basket will rise as the season progresses (8 to 9 foot baskets)! The Bridgewater Recreation Staff along with volunteer coaches will have an exciting season planned for boys and girls! Eight (8) games full court will be scheduled to play on Saturdays - January 7, 14, 21, 28, February 4, 11, 25 and March 4, 2017 (no basketball on February 18th) at JFK School (Woodmere St., Raritan). There will not be any practices during the week, Saturdays only! Cost is \$55.00 Bridgewater Residents and \$65.00 Raritan Residents. **Mandatory Evaluations will be held toward the end of November, beginning of December** (times pending registration), more information forthcoming after registration deadline to all registered participants.

3rd Grade Basketball

This program concentrates on clinic instruction and in-town league play for the formative years of the game. Eight (8) games will be scheduled to play on Saturdays, January 7, 14, 21, 28, February 4, 11, 25 and March 4, 2017 (no basketball on February 18th). Games will be played at Bradley Gardens School (Old York to Beach Ave). Games will be played full court and the basket will rise as the season progresses (8 to 10 foot baskets)! Practices will only be held on Saturdays, 20 to 30 minutes before each game. Cost \$60.00 Bridgewater Residents and \$70.00 Raritan Residents. **Mandatory Evaluations will be held toward the end of November, beginning of December** (times pending registration) more information forthcoming after registration deadline to all registered participants.

4th Grade Basketball

This program concentrates on instruction and in-town league play at ten foot baskets. Eight (8) games will be scheduled to play on full court, Saturdays, January 7, 14, 21, 28, February 4, 11, 25 and March 4, 2017 (no basketball on February 18th). Games will be played at Hillside School (Brown Road). Some games will be played at Crim School on January 21st. Practice will be held one night a week. Cost \$60.00 Bridgewater Residents and \$70.00 Raritan Residents. **Mandatory Evaluations will be held during the first two weeks of November** (times & dates pending registration); more information forthcoming after registration deadline to all registered participants.

5th & 6th and 7th & 8th Grade Basketball

These two separate leagues will emphasize sportsmanship and fundamental growth through weekly competition. Teams will be formed via a draft. Practices will be held one night a week and Saturday games (beginning January 7th) & one or two Sunday games pending registration & inclement weather. Possible playoff dates are March 11th/12th and/or 18th/19th - with the possibility of double headers. Cost \$90.00 Bridgewater Residents and \$100.00 Raritan Residents. **Mandatory Evaluations will be held during the first two weeks of November** (times pending registration) more information forthcoming after the registration deadline to all registered participants.

Registration Deadline: Monday, October 17, 2016

**Registration after deadline will require a \$20.00 late fee
All checks payable to "Bridgewater Township"**

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Additional information for Bridgewater Recreation Basketball...

Even though there is a deadline, space is limited, registration is based on a first come first serve at the Bridgewater Recreation Department.

Any registration received by the Recreation Department after 5:00pm on the specified registration deadline will be considered late. The registration will be placed on a waiting list with no guarantee of being placed on a team or receiving a jersey or t-shirt. If not placed on a team, a refund will be issued.

After mandatory evaluations **no refunds** will be given.

Three ways to register! In person at the Bridgewater Recreation Department (Municipal Building - 100 Commons Way) 9am to 5pm Monday to Thursday 8am to 5pm Friday, drop registration off in the "REC" mail-slot located on the Garretson Road side of the municipal building (door closest to Kid Street) before or after office hours, or via postal service. **If mailing the registration form close to the deadline date, form must reach the Recreation Department on the specified deadline date by 5:00pm. If form is received after specified deadlines, late payment will be required.**

More information will be mailed home to all registered participants after the **registration deadline of 5 p.m. on Monday, October 17, 2016** as to the times, dates, etc... for the mandatory evaluations and program specifics (pending grade)!

Boys and girls play separately. **There are no special considerations regarding carpooling or team selection.** Participants are evaluated and placed or drafted onto teams for the advancement of the programs. Note: Due to the nature of team sports it is not recommended that children participate in the basketball, ski and/or wrestling programs at the same time. There will be overlapping schedules.

Interested in Coaching?

What better way to be more involved in the Township and sports than to volunteer your time to coach?! If you are interested in coaching for any Recreation Program it's easy to get started! In order to coach for Township sponsored programs you must be (1) Rutgers Certified and (2) Criminal History Background Checked (CHBC) also (3) attend any mandatory coaches and or program meetings. Information regarding these courses can be found on the Township website www.bridgewaternj.gov under the Recreation Department's registration forms or in the Recreation Department. **Pre-Registration through the Bridgewater Recreation Department is required.** If you are interested in coaching please read the following carefully;

- 1) Interested in being a head or assistant coach? You must check the box on the bottom of the next page indicating your interest.
- 2) Once you have submitted this form with the coaching box checked, you will receive correspondence from the Recreation Department (i.e. e-mail to be sent to addresses given on the registration form.)
- 3) Once you have submitted your paperwork back to the Recreation Department you will be notified by us only if you are needed to coach and have been approved.
- 4) If approved to coach you will be notified as to when to attend mandatory courses & meetings.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding coaching please call the Recreation Department at (908) 725-6373.

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