Parks & Recreation
City of Muscatine

Fall/Winter Activities Guide
2018/2019
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CITY LIABILITY - The City of Muscatine is not responsible for personal injuries or damages to property of participants using facilities or personal injuries or damages to property of participants involved in programs sponsored by the Muscatine Parks and Recreation Department.

PROGRAM NOTE - The Muscatine Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to cancel, postpone or modify programs and/or activities.

SPECIAL NEEDS - If you need special accommodations for program participation, please contact our office by phone or in writing. We are here to serve you.

The City of Muscatine has, and continues to make, a reasonable commitment toward achieving the spirit and intent of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, which prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities. If a problem arises relating to the programs or services outlined in this publication, please contact the sponsoring City Department.
FALL/WINTER PROGRAM REGISTRATION

Fall/Winter Program Registration - Important: Pre-registration is required (except as noted). Check individual program details for registration information.

You can now register for programs online! Be the FIRST in line when you register ONLINE! Registration is available at https://apm.activecommunities.com/muscatine/Home. It’s EASY! Whether you are at home or the office, it’s now quick and convenient to register for your favorite activities and programs on our website.

Registrations will be accepted at the Muscatine Parks and Recreation Department office in the lower level of City Hall, located on the corner of Third and Sycamore. Registration hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

FEES - All fees are payable at time of registration. Checks should be made payable to: City of Muscatine. Please do not send cash in the mail. Visa and MasterCard are accepted.

NON-RESIDENT FEES - City of Muscatine residents (persons living inside the Muscatine city limits), through their property taxes, contribute to the operation of the Parks and Recreation Department. The non-resident fees are assessed to our non-resident participants so they contribute to the overall financing of the Department on a more equitable basis with our residents. Recreation program non-resident fees are figured at double the fee not to exceed $5. We’re here to serve you, and we want to be fair. We ask for your cooperation. Thank you!

Note: Non-residents on Parks and Recreation sports league rosters pay a flat $5 for each roster they are signed on.

REFUNDS – No refunds will be given after the registration period is closed for an activity unless the Parks and Recreation Department cancels the entire activity. Parks and Recreation intends to hold all classes and lessons. However, in the event of inclement weather, classes may be cancelled or shortened. There will be no refunds or makeup classes unless otherwise stated.

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY - All outdoor programs may be held as scheduled if it is not storming at scheduled starting time. Adverse weather conditions may cause the postponement of some activities. Please contact the DEPARTMENT HOTLINE 263-0241 for current program information. You can also receive cancellation alerts via text message or email by visiting the Notify Me link at http://www.muscatineiowa.gov.

FUND RAISING ON PUBLIC PROPERTY - Fund raising by profit oriented individuals, businesses, groups, and/or organizations on public grounds or at public facilities is prohibited.

Fund raising activities by non-profit oriented individuals, businesses, groups and/or organizations will be considered on an individual basis.
Winter Adult Volleyball Leagues

The Muscatine Parks and Recreation Department is now taking registration for the winter 2018-19 adult volleyball leagues. There will be two divisions available: Coed Power League and Coed Recreational League. New teams are always welcome to join!

All games will be played at Central Middle School. League play will begin in November. The Coed Recreational teams play on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, while Coed Power teams play on Wednesday evenings.

The fees are $225.00 per team for both leagues (plus $5 for each non-resident on the roster). The registration fee and team roster are due at the time of registration. The registration deadline is Friday, October 5th at 5:00 pm.

Sport Starters

Sport Starters is for children 2-3 years old. Children, along with their parent, will experience a variety of sports and games in an outdoor setting. Basic motor skills and socialization will be developed while they work one-on-one and spend quality time with their parents.

Parent participation is required for this program.

Who: Ages 2-3 with their parent
When: Tuesdays or Thursdays, September 4—October 11
Time: 5:30—6:15 pm
Where: Pearl City Station
Fee: $25.00 Resident, $30.00 Non-Resident
Registration Deadline: Monday, August 27th at 5:00 pm
Youth Flag Football
Youth Flag Football for 3rd through 6th grade boys and girls has been designed to teach football skills and teamwork through informal scrimmages and formal games. Games will be played under the lights of Kent Stein Park with the guidance of coaches, field supervisors, and referees.

**Who:** Boys and girls in grades 3—6  
**When:** Tuesdays and Thursdays, September 4—October 11  
**Time:**  
3rd & 4th Grade: 6:30—7:30 pm  
5th & 6th Grade: 7:30—8:30 pm  
**Where:** Kent Stein Park, Diamond 12  
**Fee:** $25.00 Resident, $30.00 Non-Resident  
(includes a t-shirt, mouthpiece and entry into Punt, Pass & Kick skill competition)

**Registration Deadline:** Monday, August 20th at 5:00 pm

Show off your skills and compete in the **Muskie Punt, Pass & Kick (PPK)** program on Tuesday, August 28th! This is a **FREE** program for boys and girls ages 6—15.

**Registration Dates:** August 1—24  
**Time:** 5:30 pm  
**Where:** Kent Stein Park, Diamond 12

**Little Muskies Football**

Little Muskies Football is for boys and girls who are 4—7 years old. This is NOT a tackle football program. Parent participation is encouraged and will enhance the program for the participants. Participants will learn the basics of football in a rotating stations format. All classes meet at Kent Stein Park. This will allow children to learn the football fundamentals in a structured and non-competitive environment. Trained Parks and Recreation staff will lead the program.

**4 & 5 Year Olds**  
**Days:** Mondays, Sept. 17—Oct. 8  
**Time:** 5:30—6:30 pm  
**Where:** Kent Stein Park, Diamond 12  
**Fee:** $25.00 Resident, $30.00 Non-Resident (includes a t-shirt)  
**Registration Deadline:** Monday, September 10 at 5:00 pm

**6 & 7 Year Olds**  
**Days:** Tuesdays, Sept. 18—Oct. 9  
**Time:** 5:30—6:30 pm  
**Where:** Kent Stein Park, Diamond 12
**Youth Volleyball Clinic**

The Youth Volleyball Clinic is for 3rd-4th grade students who are new to the game of volleyball. The clinic will include instruction and drills on the basic fundamentals of volleyball using lighter training volleyballs. All participants will receive a t-shirt.

**Who:** Students in grades 3—4  
**When:** Sundays, October 28—November 18  
**Time:** 4:30—5:25 pm or 5:30—6:25 pm  
**Where:** Central Middle School Gym  
**Fee:** $25.00 Resident, $30.00 Non-Resident  
**Registration Deadline:** Monday, October 22 at 5:00 pm

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**Smart Start Basketball**

Smart Start Basketball teaches children the basic motor skills necessary to play organized basketball while they work one-on-one and spend quality time with their parents. The program focuses on teaching children and their parents skills in dribbling/ball handling, passing/catching, shooting and running/agility without the threat of competition or the fear of getting hurt. Smart Start Basketball is held once a week for four weeks, and each week the exercises become increasingly more difficult as the class progresses and the children show improvement.

**Parent participation is required.**

**Who:** Ages 3–4  
**When:** Sundays, October 28—November 18  
**Time:** 2:00—2:45 pm or 3:00—3:45 pm  
**Where:** Central Middle School Gym  
**Fee:** $25.00 Resident, $30.00 Non-Resident (includes a t-shirt)  
**Registration Deadline:** Monday, October 22 at 5:00 pm
Gymnastics

Boys and girls ages 4 and above are invited to participate in the Muscatine Parks and Recreation Department’s fall/winter gymnastics program. Beginner through advanced levels are available. Classes meet one time per week and are held at Jefferson School Gymnasium.

**Monday Classes**
- Beginner I: 5:15—6:10 pm (ages 4-6)
- Beginner II/Intermediate: 6:15—7:10 pm (ages 7 and up)
- Advanced: 7:15—8:40 pm (instructors approval)
- Advanced Tumbling: 8:45—9:30 pm

**Wednesday Classes**
- Beginner I: 5:15—6:10 pm (ages 4-6)
- Beginner II/Intermediate: 6:15—7:10 pm (ages 7 and up)
- Advanced: 7:15—8:40 pm (instructors approval)
- Advanced Tumbling: 8:45—9:30 pm

**Session A—Registration begins September 4th**
- Monday classes: September 17—October 22
- Wednesday classes: September 19—October 24

**Session B—Registration begins September 17th**
- Monday classes: October 29—December 3
*Wednesday classes: November 7—December 5  **No class Wednesday, October 31**

**Session C—Registration begins October 29th**
- Monday classes: January 7—February 11
- Wednesday classes: January 9—February 13

**Session D—Registration begins January 2nd**
*Monday classes: February 18—March 25  **No class Monday, March 18**
*Wednesday classes: February 20—March 27  **No class Wednesday, March 20**

**Session E—Registration begins February 18th**
- Monday classes: April 1—May 6
- Wednesday classes: April 3—May 8

**Fees**
(*)fees will be reduced during short sessions)

- Beginner I: $30.00 Resident, $35.00 Non-Resident  **($25.00, $30.00)**
- Beginner II: $30.00 Resident, $35.00 Non-Resident  **($25.00, $30.00)**
- Advanced: $40.00 Resident, $45.00 Non-Resident  **($33.00, $38.00)**
- Advanced Tumbling: $25.00 Resident, $30.00 Non-Resident  **($21.00, $26.00)**
Girls Basketball Clinic

All girls in grades 1—6 are invited to participate in the Muscatine Parks and Recreation Department’s Girls Basketball Clinic. Staff will lead the girls in an instructional program once a week for four weeks. Learn the fundamentals of basketball through ball handling, shooting, and defensive techniques.

**Who:** Girls in grades 1—6  
**When:** Saturdays, October 27—November 17  
**Time:** 1st & 2nd Grade 9:00—9:55 am  
3rd & 4th Grade 10:00—10:55 am  
5th & 6th Grade 11:00—11:55 am  
**Where:** McKinley Gymnasium  
**Fee:** $30.00 Resident, $35.00 Non-Resident  
(includes a t-shirt)  

**Registration Deadline:** Monday, October 22 at 5:00 pm

**BASKETBALL SHOOTING CAMP**

Muscatine Parks and Recreation Department instructors will help you work on your shooting technique over your school winter break. Learn the proper stance, balance, grip, delivery and follow through as we help you improve your game!

**Who:** Boys and girls in grades 1—6  
**When:** December 26—28  
**Time:** 1st & 2nd Grade 9:00—9:55 am  
3rd & 4th Grade 10:00—10:55 am  
5th & 6th Grade 11:00—11:55 am  
**Where:** Central Middle School Gymnasium  
**Fee:** $25.00 Resident, $30.00 Non-Resident  

**Registration Deadline:** Monday, December 17 at 5:00 pm
Soccer Skills Clinic

The Muscatine Parks and Recreation Department is offering a Soccer Skills Clinic for boys and girls. Learn the fundamental skills of soccer through fun drills and scrimmages. Staff will lead the children in this instructional program once a week for four weeks. All participants will receive a t-shirt.

Who: Boys and girls in grades K—3
When: Saturdays, January 5—26
Time: K & 1st grade 9:00—9:55 am
2nd & 3rd grade 10:00—10:55 am
Where: West Middle School Large Gymnasium
Fee: $25.00 Resident, $30.00 Non-Resident
Registration Deadline: Wednesday, January 2 at 5:00 pm

BOYS BASKETBALL CLINIC

All boys in grades 1—6 are invited to participate in the Muscatine Parks and Recreation Department’s Boys Basketball Clinic. Parks and Recreation staff will lead the boys in an instructional program once a week for four weeks. Learn the fundamentals of basketball through ball handling, shooting, and defensive techniques. Registration is limited to 20 boys per age group.

Who: Boys in grades 1—6
When: Sundays, January 6—27
Time: 1st & 2nd grade 2:00—2:55 pm
3rd & 4th grade 3:00—3:55 pm
5th & 6th grade 4:00—4:55 pm
Where: McKinley Gymnasium
Fee: $30.00 Residents, $35.00 Non-Residents (includes a t-shirt)
Registration Deadline: Wednesday, January 2 at 5:00 pm
Youth Baseball Pitching Clinic

The Muscatine Parks and Recreation Department is offering a youth baseball pitching clinic this winter. Small class sizes allow students to work one-on-one with the instructor to improve their pitching skills. This program includes one group lesson and four semi-private lessons with one or two students per lesson.

Who: Boys ages 8—14
When: Group Lesson *Parents must attend: Wednesday, January 9
Semi-Private Lessons: Tuesdays, January 15—February 26
  Wednesdays, January 16—February 27
Time: 6:00—8:00 pm
Where: Tuesdays: McKinley Gymnasium
  Wednesdays: West Middle School Large Gymnasium
Fee: $50.00 Resident, $55.00 Non-Resident
Registration Deadline: Wednesday, January 2 at 5:00 pm
*Semi-Private lessons will be scheduled at the group lesson on January 9*

BASEBALL FUNDAMENTALS

All boys in grades 1—6 are invited to participate in the Muscatine Parks and Recreation Department’s Baseball Fundamentals Clinic. Learn the fundamentals of baseball through hitting, throwing, and fielding. Staff will lead the children in an instructional program once a week for four weeks. Each participant will need to bring a glove and bat.

Who: Boys in grades 1—6
When: Sundays, February 3—24
Time: 1st & 2nd Grade 1:00—1:55 pm
  3rd & 4th Grade 2:00—2:55 pm
  5th & 6th Grade 3:00—3:55 pm
Where: West Middle School Large Gymnasium
Fee: $25.00 Residents, $30.00 Non-Residents
Registration Deadline: Monday, January 28 at 5:00 pm
BlastBall!

The Muscatine Parks and Recreation Department is offering BlastBall for 3—6 year olds. BlastBall is a fun and exciting version of tee-ball designed to introduce children to the game through learning the basics of baseball and softball. Players do not need gloves or equipment to play this game. Soft bats and balls are provided. Parental assistance during this program is encouraged! Staff will be on hand to lead groups in instruction and game play. This is a great program to prepare your child for tee-ball this summer!

Who: Boys and girls ages 3-6
When: Saturdays, February 2—23
Time: Ages 3—4 10:00—10:45 am
      Ages 5—6 11:00—11:45 am
Where: Central Middle School Gymnasium
Fee: $25.00 Residents, $30.00 Non-Residents
Registration Deadline: Monday, January 28 at 5:00 pm

Softball Skills Clinic

All girls in grades 1—6 are invited to participate in the Muscatine Parks and Recreation Department’s Softball Skills Clinic. Learn the fundamentals of softball through hitting, throwing, and fielding. Staff will lead the children in an instructional program once a week for four weeks. Each participant will need to bring a glove and bat.

Who: Girls in grades 1—6
When: Sundays, February 3—24
Time: 1st & 2nd Grade 4:00—4:55 pm
      2nd & 3rd Grade 5:00—5:55 pm
      4th & 5th Grade 6:00—6:55 pm
Where: West Middle School Large Gymnasium
Fee: $25.00 Resident, $30.00 Non-Resident
Registration Deadline: Monday, January 28 at 5:00 pm
UPCOMING EVENTS

Cemetery Walk Sunday, September 23 at 1:00 pm
Greenwood Cemetery—Participants in our “Walk or Ride Through History” will hear colorful historical stories about some of Greenwood Cemetery’s most interesting residents. The walk will last approximately 1 hour. Have fun and learn a bit of Muscatine’s history!

Fall Festival Sunday, October 21 at 1:00 pm
Pearl City Station—Meet us at the riverfront for fun fall crafts, games, activities and more! Don’t forget to wear your costume!

Turkey Trot Saturday, November 17 at 10:00 or 10:30 am
Muscatine Municipal Golf Course—The 2018 Turkey Trot Fun Run/Walk will be hosted by the Muscatine Parks and Recreation Department and the Muscatine Running Club. A frozen turkey will be awarded to the male and female in each age division that most closely predict their finishing times! The fee is $15.00 through November 1 and $20.00 from November 2 until race time. Ages fourteen and under begin at 10:00 am and ages 15 and older begin at 10:30 am.

Candy Cane Hunt Friday, December 7 at 6:00 pm
Pearl City Station—How many candy canes can you find? Join us at the riverfront for our annual event and gather your sweet treats!

Elves Workshop Saturday, December 15 at 1:00 pm
Muscatine Mall—Arts, crafts, games and more! Get into the holiday spirit and don’t miss out on this holiday-themed fun!

Snowpile Treasure Hunt Saturday, January 26 at 1:00 pm
Muscatine Municipal Golf Course—A treasure hunt like no other! Search through the snow to find numbered balls and redeem them for awesome prizes. Try to find them all!

Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 13 at 10:00 am
Weed Park Upper Loop—A classic Easter Egg Hunt will be offered for toddlers through 3rd graders followed by a Group Scavenger Hunt around the park for all ages. The first group back will win the grand prize!

All activities are FREE and do not require registration unless otherwise noted.

Call the Muscatine Parks and Recreation Department for more information at (563) 263-0241.
Play and Practice Golf All Fall and Winter!

The Muscatine Municipal Golf Course is open into the fall! Call the clubhouse at 563-263-4735 for tee times and course conditions.

Keep your game up to par all winter long with the **TruGolf Simulator**! This simulator was purchased to provide us the ability to offer golf services year round to the public. The simulator allows an individual to play a round of golf with their clubs and real golf balls throughout the winter.

We will be offering open play, where anyone can call the golf shop and reserve the simulator for their group and play a round of golf or practice any time. We will also host **golf leagues** so you can keep your competitive edge.

One of the best aspects of the simulator will be the game improvement capabilities it will offer. The simulator measures the club through impact and the ball in the air and takes this information and puts it into graphics that are easy to understand. The instructor and golfer can then review that information and use it to help improve their swing. Lessons will be available on the simulator with PGA Professional David Crawley. Appointments can be made by calling 563-263-4735.

**Clubhouse Rental**

The clubhouse is also available to rent for private events and this can also include the use of the simulator. The clubhouse is available for anything from kid’s birthday parties to work meetings. So, if you have a group that would like to use the clubhouse please call the golf shop to discuss pricing and options, 563-263-4735.
2018 WINTER GOLF PROGRAMS

Individual golf lessons by PGA Professional David Crawley are available by appointment. Need a gift? How about a gift certificate for golf lessons, rounds, or merchandise?

½ Hour $30.00
Package of 5 lessons $120.00

LADIES COFFEE

Come join the fun every Saturday morning from 9:00 am-11:00 am. During this time you can enjoy some hot coffee or hot chocolate, meet new friends and get some golf instruction on the TruGolf Simulator. This is a great way to break up the monotony that winter brings!!

MEN’S COFFEE

Come join the fun every Wednesday morning from 8:00 am-10:00 am. During this time you can enjoy some hot coffee or hot chocolate, meet new friends and get some golf instruction on the TruGolf Simulator. This is a great way to break up the monotony that winter brings!!

GOLF CLINICS

Come out every Saturday morning from 11:00-11:30 am for a free golf clinic. These clinics will cover all aspects of the game.

JUNIOR GOLF DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Advance your skills this winter by attending the Junior Golf Development Program designed to make you a more fundamental and accomplished player. This program will focus on all aspects of the game. The object of this program is to help junior golfers advance to the high school and college levels and to help them maintain skills developed over the summer.

| When:     | Saturday 12/1, 12/15, 1/12, 1/19, 2/2, 2/9, 2/16, 2/23 |
| Time:     | 12:00 pm-1:00 pm                                          |
| Where:    | Muscatine Municipal Golf Course                           |
| Cost:     | $10 per session                                           |
Muscatine Municipal Golf Course
Winter Hours

Winter hours will begin approximately December 1, 2018
Additional hours available by appointment.

Sunday: Available by appointment
Monday: Available by appointment
Tuesday: 11 am-8 pm
Wednesday: 8 am-5 pm
Thursday: 11 am-5 pm
Friday: 11 am-5 pm
Saturday: 9 am-5 pm
Call the golf shop for Simulator times. 563-263-4735

Rental Facilities Information

Park Shelters
A fee of $30.00 for residents and $40.00 for non-residents is charged for shelter reservations. Advance shelter reservations may be made one day less than a year prior to the desired date. Phone reservations are accepted by calling 563-263-0241 with a credit card payment.

Pearl City Station
Pearl City Station is located on the riverfront and is available to the public for meetings, reunions, wedding receptions, and other non-profit events during the months of March through November. This building must be reserved in advance and the fee will depend on the day/time used and the use of alcohol. The building is equipped with restrooms, tables, and chairs. Pearl City Station is ventilated and heated (no air-conditioning). Reservations can be made with the Parks and Recreation office.

Riverview Center
The Riverview Center is located on the riverfront and is available to the public to rent for wedding receptions, family reunions, class reunions, meetings and other non-profit events year-round. Some of the features of the Riverview Center include: heating/air conditioning, accessible elevator and accessible restrooms, catering kitchen, 15 foot deck on two sides overlooking the river, and approximately 22 tables and 175 chairs. This building must be reserved in advance and the fee will depend on day/time used and the use of alcohol. Reservations can be made with the Parks and Recreation office.