

# Newington Parks & Recreation

# Youth Basketball

Open to NEWINGTON children in Kindergarten through Grade 8

# 2021



**Register Early and Save!**

**Early Bird registration rates  
available NOW until**

**Friday, November 13, 2020.**

**Space is limited for all ages  
so sign up as soon as possible!**

***All games will be held in the new  
Mortensen Community Center  
gymnasiums.***

***Due to COVID-19 and space  
constraints, all grades will have a  
maximum number of children that  
are able to sign up, so please  
register early and don't miss out!***

## Ways to Register...



### MAIL

Newington Parks & Recreation  
200 Garfield Street  
Newington, CT 06111  
*Make checks payable to:  
Newington Parks & Recreation*



### IN PERSON (curbside—please call 860-665-8666 when you arrive)

Newington Parks & Recreation  
is located in the new Town Hall at  
200 Garfield Street, Newington  
**Monday - Friday  
8:30 am - 4:30 pm**



### FAX

860-665-8739

Credit Card payment due with fax.  
Please call our office at 860-665-8666 to  
confirm receipt of your fax.

# Newington Parks & Recreation Youth Basketball

## Kindergarten through Grade 8

Register by Friday, November 13 for Early Bird savings!

(Once maximum number of participants has been reached, no additional registrations will be accepted)

### Kindergarten & Grade 1 (Boys & Girls)



The basketball program for boys and girls in Kindergarten and Grade 1 will meet together for one hour on Saturdays at the new Mortensen Community Center from 5:00 to 6:00 pm and will focus on skill development and instruction. Boys and girls participate together in this program. There will be no weeknight practices. All registered participants will receive a t-shirt. The 8-week program will begin on January 9, 2021 and end on February 27, 2021. Lower baskets will be used.

### Grades 2 through 8 (Boys & Girls)



The Youth Basketball program for boys and girls in Grades 2 through 8 will focus on skills, fundamentals, and game play. This is an instructional and recreational league. Boys' divisions will be as follows: grade 2, grades 3 & 4, grades 5 & 6, grades 7 & 8. Girls' divisions will be as follows: grades 2 & 3, grades 4 & 5, grades 6, 7 & 8. There will be no weeknight practices this season. There will be one half hour of practice prior to the game on either Saturday or Sunday. Players in Girls grades 6,7,8 and Boys grade 5 through 8 may have games on either Saturday or Sunday due to space constraints. Due to the number of children in the program, we **cannot** honor specific requests by parents or players regarding team or coach preference. All registered participants will receive a t-shirt. The first team practice will be held on Saturday, December 19 (details to follow). The basketball program will end in late February/early March. Playoffs will be held for Boys in grades 3 & 4, 5 & 6 and 7 & 8 and Girls in grades 4 & 5 and 6 through 8. Lower baskets are used for all participants in Boys grade 2 and Girls in grades 2 & 3.



### IMPORTANT!

- ⇒ Due to COVID-19, as well as the inability to use the schools, space will be limited for each grade level. Once the maximum is reached for each grade level, no more registrations will be accepted.
- ⇒ All players will be contacted by their coach during the week of December 13. More information will be provided.
- ⇒ Teams may be scheduled for games on Saturdays OR Sundays (Girls grades 6 through 8 and Boys grades 5 through 8 will have some games on Sundays).
- ⇒ There will be no practices during the week—each team will get one half hour of practice before their game on either Saturday or Sunday.

### We Need Coaches!

Why not coach your son or daughter, or your younger brother or sister? The coaching commitment during the season is just a few hours per week. If you are interested in coaching, please fill out the Volunteer Coach Application on page 4 (back of the player registration form) and return it to the Parks & Recreation office by Friday, November 13th.

**IMPORTANT MANDATORY MEETING FOR COACHES - Please keep this page for your records.**

⇒ **Saturday, December 12th** - Mortensen Community Center Gymnasium

Orientation Meeting for all coaches - (practice times, rosters and additional information)

- \* Boys Grades 7 & 8 8:00 to 9:30 am
- \* Boys Grades 5 & 6 and Girls Grades 6-8 9:45 to 11:00 am
- \* Boys Grade 3 & 4, Girls Grades 4 & 5 11:15 am to 12:30
- \* Boys Grade 2 and Girls Grades 2 & 3 12:45 to 2:00 pm

No meeting for Kindergarten/Grade 1

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records!



# Volunteer Basketball Coach Application

Please submit to the Parks & Recreation office no later than Friday, November 13, 2020

## COACH INFORMATION



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Town: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name of Child I Wish to Coach: \_\_\_\_\_ Male / Female

School Child is Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Preference:  HEAD COACH  ASSISTANT COACH

**No Weeknight Practices. Teams will have one half hour practice prior to each game.**

If possible, I would like to coach with (list other coach's name): \_\_\_\_\_

**Coaches are required to attend the Orientation Meeting for Coaches on Saturday, December 12th.**

**Please see Page 2 for specific meeting times for coaches.**

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## CODE OF ETHICS FOR COACHES



**I hereby pledge to provide a positive attitude and be responsible for my participation and actions as a Youth Sports Coach by following this Code of Ethics:**

I will encourage good sportsmanship from fellow coaches, players, officials and spectators at every game.

I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all my players.

I will be knowledgeable in the rules of the game.

I will treat all players, fellow coaches, officials, and spectators with respect, and I will expect to be treated accordingly.

I will help ensure an alcohol, tobacco and drug free environment.

I will remember that sports are an opportunity to learn and have fun.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Coach (Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Coach (Print Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\* \* \* \* \*

## CRIMINAL HISTORY - Please note that background checks will be conducted for all potential coaches.

Have you ever been arrested for any offenses other than minor traffic violations? (please circle one) YES NO (if yes, please explain)

## RELEASE



For and in consideration of the undersigned choosing to participate in activities associated with the Town of Newington Volunteer Program, I, for myself and/or my child (if applicable) voluntarily elect to avail myself and/or my child of the opportunity to participate in this program and assume any and all risks pertaining to such participation. I understand and agree that the purpose is for the Town of Newington to participate in community service plans for both adults and children. On my own behalf, and on behalf of my child and or my, his or her personal representatives, heirs, and assigns, I hereby release, indemnify and save harmless for the Town of Newington, its elected and appointed officials, employees, volunteers, designees, consultants and agents (hereinafter representatives) from all claims of liability of whatever nature arising from any act, omission, negligence or otherwise of the Town of Newington or its representatives. This includes but is not limited to any injury to any person or to any property of any person or any harm, injury or damage whether foreseen or unforeseen which I or my child may suffer while participating in the above program. This Release, Indemnification and Hold Harmless agreement shall include indemnity against all costs (including, without limitation, attorneys fees and court costs), expenses and liabilities incurred in or in connection with any such claim or proceeding brought thereon and in defense thereof. During the COVID-19 pandemic, I also understand that I must adhere to all CDC, state, and local COVID-19 guidelines, including all social distancing, temperature checks, personal protective equipment requirements, and sanitation protocols. I acknowledge that there is a risk of transmission when in a group or class setting, even with personal protective equipment. I have read this Release, Indemnification and Hold Harmless Agreement. I voluntarily sign it. I realize that by signing this document that I am giving up legal rights which I may be entitled.

**SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_