



Park Pulse



News from the Frankfort Park District

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For questions call the Park District office at 815-469-9400 or visit www.frankfortparks.org

Youth Programs:

All programs are held at Founders Community Center, 140 Oak Street unless otherwise specified.

JUMP START LITTLE LEARNERS

Let your little ones get a jump start with learning at the beginning of the week. In this one hour class, your child will be introduced to a different letter at each class. The fun doesn't stop there! Numbers, colors, shapes and counting will be incorporated in their learning experience. Each week there will be new things to learn. What a great start for building their foundation of learning. A story will be enjoyed to end this hour of fun.



Instructor: Sharon Koczor

Day: Monday

Session I: January 13 - March 2
(No Class January 20 & February 17)

Time: 10:00 - 11:00 am

Age: 3 - 4 years

Fee: \$50/NR \$55

WIGGLES & GIGGLES

Preschoolers will wiggle and giggle their way through this fun filled class while stretching their muscles and marching to music. Age appropriate activities will vary each week using balls, balloons and bubbles! Finger plays, rhymes and rhythm movements, hoops and parachutes are also included.



Instructor: Chris Johnson

Day: Thursday

Session I: January 16 - February 13

Time: 9:30 - 10:15 am

Age: 2 - 3 years (with parent)

Fee: \$35/NR \$40

MUSIC IN THE BOX - FAMILY MUSIC MASTERS

This class incorporates ear training, pitch development, and early music concepts through singing and movement. Children are taught by a professional musician who is trained in the Music in the Box curriculum. These classes encompass the Montessori learning style with music, books, bubbles, games and Suzuki violin and piano melodies which gives a child a head start in preparation for later private lessons. This program provides a weekly music experience for parent and child in a loving environment.



Instructor: The Music Connection

Day: Friday

Session I: January 17 - February 21

Time: 9:15 - 9:45 am

Age: 0 - 4 years (with parent)

Fee: \$69/NR \$74

STAR WARS EXPLORATION *NEW!*

Star Wars, you love? This program for you it is. Come hang out as we explore the galaxy, talk about our favorite characters and play games related to all the episodes. We will even put our Jedi skills to the test to defend the Republic.



Instructor: Gina Barrett

Day/Date: Friday/January 24

Time: 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Age: 5 - 11 years

Fee: \$29/NR \$34

STAGE STARS

It's time to raise the curtain on our Stage Stars class! Our drama program introduces students to the craft of stage acting. During the one-hour class, students will learn theatrical skills, improv basics and participate in interactive drama games. This is an opportunity for students to have fun, express themselves, interact with others within the context of theatre arts and have the opportunity to earn belts to demonstrate their learned skills!

Instructor: Afterschool Enrichment Solutions

Day: Tuesday

Session I: February 4 - March 24

Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Grade: K - 6th Grade

Fee: \$149/ NR \$170



CHESS SCHOLARS AFTERSCHOOL CHESS CLUB

Chess has been proven to enhance children's motivation, concentration, focus, social skills, and creativity. No previous knowledge of chess is necessary. Each class will consist of a fun interactive teaching period and guided practice time. Both beginner and experienced players are welcome and will get to the next level under the guidance of an experienced Chess Scholars coach. There will also be a chess competition with prizes at the end of the session! **Registration Deadline: 2 weeks before the start of the session.**

Instructor: Chess Scholar's Staff

Day: Wednesday

Session I: February 5 - March 25

Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Grade: K - 5th Grade

Fee: \$149/NR \$154



CRITTER CLASSES: REPTILES, AMPHIBIANS, BUGS & MORE!

This 4-week class is an introduction to some of the World's most misunderstood creatures: Reptiles, Amphibians and Bugs. We will teach the importance of these creatures to the environment as their natural history and how to take care of them as pets. Each class will feature live animals. Some classes take place outdoors, so dress accordingly. No open toed shoes please!

Instructor: Crosstown Exotics

Day: Thursday

Session I: February 6 - 27

Time: 5:30 - 6:30 pm

Age: 5 - 12 years

Fee: \$45/NR \$50



LET'S BUILD IT - SNAP CIRCUITS - CRAZY CIRCUITS *NEW!*

Students will design, build, and test various circuits and electronic projects. Instructors will guide students through core concepts of electrical engineering, introducing them to circuits and electrical components. Students will use hands-on projects and experiments to explore how electricity is part of our daily lives. Projects will include: a disc launcher, electronic games, musical instruments, alarms, and more, along with fun-filled class activities! Award on the last day of the session, as well as the opportunity to earn Energy Belts to demonstrate their learned skills!

Instructor: Afterschool Enrichment Solutions

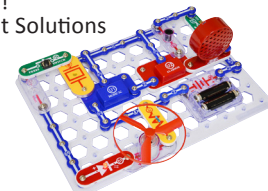
Day: Thursday

Dates: February 6 - March 26

Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Grade: 1st - 6th Grade

Fee: \$165/NR \$170



Upcoming Events . . .

WINTER ON THE GREEN – WINTER CARNIVAL!

Sunday, January 19 • 12:00 - 2:00 pm • Breidert Green, White & Kansas Street • FREE Admission

Why wait until summer to enjoy an outdoor carnival? Come enjoy an afternoon with your family, friends and Frosty the Snowman! Enjoy DJ music, kid friendly carnival games, crafts and much more. Also, stay warm by the bonfire with your hot chocolate and cookies!



DADDY/DAUGHTER DANCE

Friday, January 31 / 6:00 - 8:00 pm
 Saturday, February 1 / 6:00 - 8:00 pm
 Founders Community Center, 140 Oak Street
 \$25 per Res couple / \$30 Non-Res couple
 \$12 Res additional / \$15 Non-Res additional

Registration Deadline: January 24 or until filled

Join us for a special evening with your little girl at our annual Daddy/Daughter Dance. Light refreshments will be served along with entertainment courtesy of a live DJ. To capture your evening together, a professional photographer will be available to take formal pictures at an additional charge. Register early, this event fills up quickly. Pre-registration is required, **NO TICKETS will be sold at the door.**

Preschool Open House

Saturday, February 1, 2020

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Susan Puent Building, 400 W. Nebraska Street

Meet some of the preschool staff and see the facility first hand.



ICE SKATING @ MAIN PARK!

2 Rinks (Open Skate & Hockey) @ Main Park, 200 S. Locust

Ice Rink Hours (weather permitting):

Monday - Saturday: 7:00 am - 9:00 pm

Sunday: 7:00 am - 8:00 pm

Ice Skate Rentals will be available at the Founders Community Center during regular business hours.

\$5/pair for 1 week

\$25 refundable deposit required

Check our website for skate sizes and quantities, updates at www.frankfortparks.org



Athletic Programs:

FIRE-STARTERS INDOOR DEVELOPMENT SOCCER LEAGUE

The Fire Starters Staff will conduct an instructional indoor soccer program focusing on the basic skills for the beginning and novice players age 4 through 4th grades. This 5 week program will consist of 30 minutes of instruction and 30 minute games on Saturdays. The Micro Soccer program revolves around small sided games for maximum touches on the ball and maximum participation for the player. A red Chicago Fire/ Frankfort Park District jersey is needed and can be purchased at the time of registration for \$15. You may use a previous year's red Jersey. All players are required to wear shin guards and shorts at all training sessions. Please bring a soccer ball and water bottle to all classes.

Instructor: Chicago Fire Soccer Staff
Location: Grand Prairie School (North Entrance Door #10)
Day: Saturday
Date: January 25 - February 22
Age: 4 years - Kindergarten
Time: 9:00 - 10:00 am OR
 10:00 - 11:00 am
Age: 1st - 4th grade
Time: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
Fee: \$75/NR \$80



E-SPORTS MADDEN NFL TOURNAMENT *NEW*

Join the Frankfort Park District & Switch It Up Gaming as we host our first E-Sports Tournament. Participant will compete in a single elimination madden tournament. Prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners.

Instructor: Switch It Up Gaming
Location: Founders Community Center
Day/Date: Friday/February 7
Time: 5:30 - 8:00 pm
Age: 10-16 years
Fee: \$30/NR \$35



FIRE STARTERS SPRING OUTDOOR SOCCER LEAGUE

The Fire Starters Staff will conduct an instructional indoor soccer program focusing on the basic skills for the beginning and novice players ages 4 years through 6th grade. This program will consist of training sessions (weekday) and games on Saturdays. The training curriculum will be age appropriately designed to create a fun and exciting environment for maximum participation for each player. All training sessions will be conducted by the Fire Starters staff coaches. As always, volunteer parent coaches will be needed to ensure successful operation of the program. Each player will be responsible to purchase 2 uniform tops. The tops may be ordered for \$30 (\$15 per uniform top Red & Grey). You may use your t-shirts from previous seasons (Red & Grey). All players are required to wear shin guards and shorts at all training sessions and games. Please bring a soccer ball and water to all training sessions and games. **Registration Deadline:** March 23 - A \$10 late fee will be added if registered after March 23rd.

Volunteer Coaches Meeting: March 24 at 6:30 pm at the Founders Community Center, 140 Oak Street.

Instructor: Fire Starters Staff
Location: Commissioners Park Soccer Fields
Dates: April 7 - May 30

Age: 4 years - Kindergarten
Session I: Tuesday/5:00 - 6:00 pm
 Saturday/9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Session II: Thursday/5:00 - 6:00 pm
 Saturday/9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Age: 1st - 3rd grade
Session III: Tuesday/6:00 - 7:00 pm
 Saturday/9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Age: 4th - 6th grade
Session IV: Thursday/6:00 - 7:00 pm
 Saturday/9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Fee: \$105/NR \$110 (\$5 off for additional siblings)

