Winter 2026 Frankfort Park District

Park Pulse

News from the Frankfort Park District December 2026

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.

SANTA'S LITTLE HELPER
Creating a handmade gift. Each child will craft a heartfelt present and wrap it up with care, ready to place under the tree. Imagine the joy of giving a surprise made entirely by YOU on Christmas morning! We'll enjoy a light snack and drink, followed by a cozy Christmas movie to end the evening with holiday cheer. Please note any food allergies at the time of registration. This is a drop-off program.



Instructor: Sharon Koczor
Day/Date: Friday/December 18
Time: 6:30 - 9:00 pm
Age: 3 - 9 years
Fee: $34/NR $39

CHESS SCHOLARS WINTER BREAK CAMP
This half-day camp is perfect for beginners as well as experienced players. Each day will consist of a fun interactive teaching period, followed by guided practice time, allowing the students to play against one another while being coached by an experienced instructor. This camp session will conclude with a non-elimination tournament.



Instructor: Chess Scholars
Day: Monday - Wednesday
Date: December 21 - 23
Time: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Age: 5 - 13 years
Fee: $151/NR $156

SNAPOLOGY WeDo HOLIDAY ROBOTS CAMP ***NEW!***
Students will work together to build winter holiday-inspired robotics models and play games with them. Then, modify their work to learn the basics of robotics and create unique memories that will last much longer than just the holiday season! Drummer Monkey, Rudolf, Santa and the Polar Express! Have fun creating robots of the season!

Instructor: Snapology
Day: Monday - Wednesday
Date: December 28 - 30
Time: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Age: 5 - 12 years
Fee: $142/NR $147

KIDS DRAWING CLUB
ALL NEW LESSONS! Learn how to draw something new and exciting each week, play fun drawing games, and learn all about the ART masters! Inspirational drawing instructors from Young Rembrandts will not only teach kids how to draw different subject matter every week, they will also demonstrate how to properly color with markers, colored pencils, fine-tip markers, watercolor pencils, oil-based pastels, and even put a creative spin on coloring with crayons. All supplies provided. Pictures go home the same day. **Instructor:** Young Rembrandts Staff



Day: Thursday
Session III: January 14 - February 18
Time: 5:00 - 6:00 pm
Grade: 1st - 6th Grade
Fee: $110/NR $115

WINTER BREAK DANCE CAMPS ***NEW!***
Instructor: Faith Kolezek
Location: Founders Community Center
Day: Monday & Tuesday
Date: December 21 - 22
Fee: $31/NR $36

FROZEN DANCE CAMP
Come twirl, dance, color and sing along to your favorite Frozen songs just like Anna and Elsa! Dress in comfortable dance clothes or as your favorite character with socks or dance shoes.
Time: 10:00 - 11:00 am
Age: 4 - 6 years

NUTCRACKER DANCE CAMP
Learn the magical tale of the Nutcracker! Dancers will learn simple routines to a wondrous wintry classic. Dress in comfortable dance clothes along with dance shoes or socks.
Time: 11:15 am - 12:15 pm
Age: 7 - 9 years

TECHNIQUE & TRICKS WORKSHOP
This 2-day workshop will focus on proper technique for aspiring dancers. Developing their strength, flexibility and alignment, dancers will learn to enhance their turns, kicks and leaps to bring their dancing to the next level. Dress in dance clothes and bring jazz shoes or turners.
Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm
Age: 10 - 12 years
Time: 5:30 - 6:30 PM
Age: 13 - 18 years

FRANKFORT "ON POINTE" DANCE PROGRAM
Winter/Spring 2027

Resident Registration begins December 1.
Non-residents Registration begins on December 8.

Classes include:
- Little Stars
- Pre-Ballet
- Dance Combo
- Ballet/Lyrical 1
- Jazz/Tap 1
- Ballet 2 & 3
- Tap 2 & 3
- Jazz 2 & 3
- Lyrical 3
- Pre-Pointe III



Class times and fees available at the Park District office or online at www.frankfortparks.org.
For more information contact the Frankfort Park District office at (815) 469.9400.

For up-to-date information on upcoming programs & events.

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Upcoming Events

NEW YEAR'S COUNTDOWN



Registration Deadline: December 23 or until filled

Thursday • December 31 • 11:00 am - 12:30 pm
Founders Community Center • 140 Oak Street
4 - 10 years • $15/NR $20

Kids, get ready to count down to 2027!!! Celebrate New Year's Eve with dancing, party games, crafts, and ice cream. There will be a "Countdown to 2027" balloon drop at noon to celebrate the New Year!
This is a drop-off event for kids.



Saturday • January 9 • 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Founders Community Center • 140 Oak Street
All Ages • FREE

Shake off those winter blues and join us for a morning packed with fun! Kids can jump, play, create and explore with inflatable attractions, games, crafts, activities and more. Visit our Park District instructors and community vendors, try out different activities and discover some of the exciting programs offered throughout the year. Kids can receive a "Winter Fun Passport" and get a stamp at each station they visit. Once they collect a certain number of stamps, they receive a small prize.

Athletic Programs:

BASKETBALL SKILLS CLINIC

This clinic is for players who want to get ready for the basketball season by doing more intensive drills. We will focus on helping athletes improve their skills and develop their talent by learning basic practice drills and emphasizing the fundamentals. Workouts will be directed more for the individual player to get as much work in as they can. Please bring a basketball and water bottle.

Instructor: Dave Esterkamp & Staff
Location: Founders Community Center
Day: Tuesday & Wednesday
Date: December 29 - 30
Time: 9:00 - 11:00 am
Age: 8 - 14 years
Fee: $81/NR $86



MLK DAY BASKETBALL DAY CAMP

All the high-intensity drills used in the Elite Basketball Training Program built into a one-day camp. Participants will be taught the keys to achieving their personal goals as well as focusing on the different skills of the game, such as footwork, speed, and agility. Lunch is included in the fee. Please list any food allergies at the time of registration. Please bring a basketball and water bottle with you to camp.

Instructor: Dave Esterkamp & Staff
Location: Founders Community Center
Day: Monday
Date: January 18
Time: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Age: 6 - 14 years
Fee: $96/NR $101



UNITED GYMNASTICS ACADEMY

722 Center Road, Frankfort
Session III: January 4 - February 19
For a detailed listing of classes, please visit our website www.frankfortparks.org

United Gymnastics Academy is a place for all ages to learn the sport of gymnastics and tumbling. Gymnastics is the cornerstone of all sports and the perfect foundation for beginning your child's athletic training. Through gymnastics, your child will increase his/her coordination, physical agility, self-confidence, listening skills, work ethic, and leadership. He or she will also learn to respect teachers and classmates. UGA provides a positive atmosphere with well-trained staff & the newest facility in the south suburbs of Chicago. All fall sessions are for 7 weeks.

GYM CUBS
Day/Time: Tuesday/5:00 - 5:50 pm
Day/Time: Wednesday/10:00 - 10:50 am
Day/Time: Thursday /10:00 - 10:50 am
Age: 2 - 3 years with parent
Fee: $183/NR $188

GYM LIONS
Day/Time: Monday/5:00 - 5:50 pm
Day/Time: Tuesday/4:00 - 4:50 pm
Day/Time: Friday/11:00 - 11:50 am
Age: 3 years
Fee: $183/NR $188

LION KINGS
Day/Time: Monday/11:00 - 11:50 am
Day/Time: Wednesday/4:00 - 4:50 pm
Day/Time: Thursday/5:00 - 5:50 pm
Age: 4 - 5 years
Fee: $183/NR $188

BEGINNER GYMNASTICS
Day/Time: Tuesday/4:00 - 4:55 pm
Day/Time: Wednesday/4:00 - 4:55 pm
Day/Time: Wednesday/7:00 - 7:55 pm
Age: 6 - 17 years
Fee: $194/NR $199

BEGINNER TUMBLING
Day/Time: Tuesday/5:00 - 5:55 pm
Day/Time: Tuesday/7:00 - 7:55 pm
Day/Time: Thursday/7:00 - 7:55 pm
Age: 6 - 17 years
Fee: $194/NR $199

BOYS GYMNASTICS
Day/Time: Monday/4:00 - 4:55 pm
Day/Time: Thursday/4:00 - 4:55 pm
Age: 6 - 11 years
Fee: $194/NR $199

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