

★ **NEWINGTON PARKS AND RECREATION** ★

YOUTH BASKETBALL



2026



KINDERGARTEN - GRADE 8

**GAMES HELD AT THE MORTENSEN COMMUNITY CENTER GYMNASIUM
200 GARFIELD STREET, NEWINGTON, CT 06111**

FIRST GAME ON JANUARY 3

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION RATES:

AVAILABLE FROM WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2025 - THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2025

RATES INCREASE AFTER OCTOBER 30, 2025 AT 4:00 PM

REGISTRATION ENDS FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2025 AT 11:00 AM

****LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED****

LIMITED SPACE FOR ALL AGES, SIGN UP SOON!

**Please read all information before registering your child. We do
NOT take requests for specific coaches or teammates.**

REGISTRATION IS ONLINE ONLY!

**REGISTER AT: WWW.NEWINGTONCT.GOV/PARKSANDREC
MORE INFORMATION IN PACKET!**



NEWINGTON PARKS & RECREATION YOUTH BASKETBALL

Kindergarten through Grade 8

Register by October 30, 2025 at 4:00 PM for Early Bird Savings!

(We will accept registration until November 21, 2025 at 11:00 AM. Registration will **NOT** be accepted after this date and time, no exceptions!)

KINDERGARTEN & GRADE 1 (BOYS & GIRLS)

The Youth Basketball Program for boys and girls in Kindergarten and Grade 1 will meet together for one hour on Saturdays at the Mortensen Community Center 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 3, 2026 and end on February 21, 2026. Lower basketball hoops 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 through 8. Players in Girls' grades 6 through 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 and a Jersey Mike's Sub on January 3rd. The first team practice will be held the week of December 15, 2025. The basketball program will end in late February/early March. Playoffs will be held for Boys in grades 5 & 6 and 7 & 8 and Girls in grades 4 & 5 and 6 through 8. Lower basketball hoops are used for all participants in Boys' grade 2, grades 3 & 4, and Girls' grades 2 & 3.

IMPORTANT! KEEP THIS INFORMATION!

- ★ All players will be contacted by their coach during the week of December 7, 2025. More information will be provided.
- ★ Teams may be scheduled for games on Saturdays OR Sundays. We do not accept requests for game day.
- ★ We do not accept requests to be on teams with specific players or coaches.
- ★ Late registrations will not be accepted.
- ★ No refunds will be given due to a player's inability to make your assigned practice day and time.
- ★ Picture day is January 17, 2026. Please make sure you can attend this day if you hope to order pictures. There is no retake day.

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 and return it to the Parks & Recreation office by Friday, November 21, 2025.**

IMPORTANT MANDATORY MEETING FOR COACHES - PLEASE KEEP THIS PAGE FOR YOUR RECORDS.

★ **Saturday, December 6, 2025** - Mortensen Community Center Gymnasium

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

* Boys Grades 7 & 8	10:00 to 10:45 AM
* Boys Grades 5 & 6 and Girls Grades 6-8	11:00 to 11:45 AM
* Boys Grades 3 & 4 and Girls Grades 4 & 5	12:00 to 12:45 PM
* Boys Grade 2 and Girls Grades 2 & 3	1:00 to 1:45 PM
* No meeting for Kindergarten/Grade 1	

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your records!**

HOW TO REGISTER?

REGISTRATION IS ONLINE ONLY!

REGISTER AT: WWW.NEWINGTONCT.GOV/PARKSANDREC

OR SCAN THIS CODE FOR EASY
ACCESS TO THE REGISTRATION
PAGE!



ACTIVITY REGISTRATION CODES:

BOYS/GIRLS KINDERGARTEN	ID: 4030101	BOYS GRADES 5 & 6	ID: 4030106
BOYS/GIRLS GRADE 1	ID: 4030102	BOYS GRADES 7 & 8	ID: 4030107
BOYS GRADE 2	ID: 4030103	GIRLS GRADES 2 & 3	ID: 4030109
BOYS GRADES 3 & 4	ID: 4030104	GIRLS GRADES 4 & 5	ID: 4030110
		GIRLS GRADES 6, 7 & 8	ID: 4030111

EARLY BIRD RATES (10/1/2025 - 10/30/2025):

RESIDENTS: \$133 / NON-RESIDENTS: \$153

REGISTRATION RATES AFTER 10/30/2025 AT 4:00PM:

RESIDENTS: \$148 / NON-RESIDENTS: \$163

**** SIBLING DISCOUNT: 10% OFF SECOND CHILD, 20% OFF THREE OR MORE CHILDREN ****

REGISTRATION ENDS FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2025 AT 11:00 AM

REGISTRATION WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE AND TIME, NO EXCEPTIONS!

IN PERSON REGISTRATION WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

VOLUNTEER BASKETBALL COACH APPLICATION

Please submit to Supervisor Roderick Smith by email, rsmith@newingtonct.gov, no later than Friday, November 21, 2025
Registration ends Friday, November 21, 2025 at 11:00 AM. Registration will not be accepted after this date and time, no exceptions!

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

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

Coaches are required to attend the mandatory Orientation Meeting for Coaches on Saturday, December 6, 2025.



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 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 behalf, and on behalf of my child and or, his or her 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 the 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 signed it. I realize that by signing this document I am giving up legal rights to which I may be entitled.

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____