



# PARKS & RECREATION NEWSLETTER

NORTHERN BEACH DIVISION  
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## IMPORTANT NUMBERS:

**Main:**  
252-475-5920

**Youth Center Lobby:**  
252-475-5927

**Field Conditions & Game  
Cancellations Hotline:**  
252-475-5920 (then press 9)

## WINTER 2024-2025 PROGRAMS

Registration opens on  
October 16, 2024!

### Registration Information:

Registration for the Dare County Parks and Recreation Department's fall programs will begin on Wednesday, October 16, 2024. Each program will have its own registration deadline.

Our office is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The following is a list of activities that will be offered through the Dare County Parks and Recreation Department and other youth organizations.

Registration forms are available at the Parks and Recreation Department office. Online registration is encouraged at:

**[DareNC.gov/Register](https://www.darenc.gov/register)**

**PLEASE NOTE:** Some programs require a separate registration form and payment. Early registration is highly recommended. There is a \$5 late fee for registering after the program's registration deadline. Dare County Parks and Recreation accepts cash, check, money order, and credit or debit cards for programs.

**Youth Center at Family Recreation Park**  
602 Mustian Street  
Kill Devil Hills, N.C. 27948

# IMPORTANT THINGS TO REMEMBER WHEN REGISTERING:

- Registration can be done online or in person. If there are issues with online registration, please call our office for assistance.
- A program is open until it is full. Once a program is full, children will be placed on a waiting list. If space becomes available, participants on the waiting list will be notified.
- Participants must meet the age requirement and play at age.
- Participants will not be allowed to play "up" or "down." They must play at the age at the cutoff.
- Programs/schedules are subject to change without notice.
- Players shall not wear jewelry, with the exception of medical medals, which must be taped inside their uniform if worn. Tape over an earring(s) will not be allowed.

## YOUTH BASKETBALL



### Details:

Youth basketball is open to boys and girls ages 5-18. Skills day attendance is mandatory for all children registered in the leagues for ages 7-15. Skills will last approximately 30 minutes. Please come dressed to play basketball. Drafts for the head coaches only will take place immediately following the skills days. Practices are tentatively scheduled to begin after the skills days, and games will begin after the holidays. There are no skills days for ages 5-6 (coed) or ages 16-18 (boys).

### Location:

Youth Center in Kill Devil Hills

### Age Cutoff:

January 1, 2025

### Registration Deadline:

Wednesday, November 27, 2024

### Cost:

\$35 per player/\$52.50 non-resident fee

There is a \$5 late fee for those that register after Wednesday, November 27, 2024; however, space may not be available after the deadline.

### Skills Days & Times:

**Ages 7-8 (girls)** - December 3, 2024, 5:30 p.m.

**Ages 7-8 (boys)** - December 3, 2024, 6:15 p.m.

**Ages 9-10 (girls)** - December 4, 2024, 5:30 p.m.

**Ages 9-10 (boys)** - December 4, 2024, 6:15 p.m.

**Ages 11-12 (girls)** - December 5, 2024, 5:30 p.m.

**Ages 11-12 (boys)** - December 5, 2024, 6:15 p.m.

**\*Ages 13-15 (girls)** - December 5, 2024, 5:30 p.m.  
(with the 11-12 girls)

**\*Ages 13-15 (boys)** - December 9, 2024, 6:15 p.m.

\*Parents and participants that are new to the ages 13-18 leagues must attend a sports etiquette training session that will be held on Monday, December 9, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. Register by calling our office. Participants in the ages 13-18 leagues will not be able to play until the participant and a parent have both attended the sports etiquette training session.

# COACHES CORNER

We are seeking individuals who are interested in volunteering to coach our youth basketball leagues. All volunteers are required to submit to and pass a background check.

If you are interested in coaching, please contact the Dare County Parks and Recreation Department office by calling 252-475-5920, emailing [RecPark@DareNC.gov](mailto:RecPark@DareNC.gov) or stopping by the Dare County Youth Center, which is located at 602 Mustian Street in Kill Devil Hills.



## BASKETBALL REFEREE CLINIC



Are you or someone you know interested in becoming a basketball referee? Our youth and adult basketball leagues are constantly seeking new and seasoned officials. We will be offering a free clinic that will go over local and state rules, mechanics and in-game situations. Dinner will be provided.

**When: Wednesday, December 11, 2024 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.**

**Where: Dare County Youth Center in Kill Devil Hills**

All officials must pass a background check and be 16 or older as of Wednesday, January 1, 2025. If you are interested or have any further questions, please contact John Morris at 252-475-5926 or [John.Morris@DareNC.gov](mailto:John.Morris@DareNC.gov).

## MEN'S 30+ BASKETBALL LEAGUE



There will be an age 30 and over adult basketball league beginning early January 2025. Games will be played on Mondays and Wednesday nights at the Dare County Youth Center in Kill Devil Hills.

Captains have until Friday, January 3, 2025 to register a team. If you are not part of a team, we can take player information and pass it on to a captain who may need more players. Participants must be age 30 or older as of Wednesday, January 1, 2025.

If you have questions, please contact John Morris at 252-475-5926 or [John.Morris@DareNC.gov](mailto:John.Morris@DareNC.gov).

# SMART START BASKETBALL



**Who:**

Ages 3-5 (with a parent)

**Cost:**

\$40/residents | \$60/non-residents

**Age Cutoff:**

Friday, November 1, 2024

**Where:**

Dare County Youth Center in Kill Devil Hills

**Registration Deadline:**

Friday, November 1, 2024 or until full

**Number of Participants:**

Minimum 6. Maximum 20.

**Session 1:** Mondays and Wednesdays starting Monday, November 18, 2024 and ending Monday, December 9, 2024 (no session on December 4) from 5:15 p.m. to 6 p.m.

**Details:**

This program teaches children ages 3-5 motor skill tasks that will gradually build their confidence while the children have fun at the same time! Dare County Parks and Recreation Department staff will teach parents and children a variety of basketball skills, including dribbling/ball handling, passing/catching, running/agility and shooting without the threat of competition or getting hurt. The parents will then work with their children to develop these skills. This is a great time for parents to work one-on-one with their child and to spend quality time together.

All participants will receive a kit that includes one mini basketball for dribbling, one Teslon basketball for passing/catching and shooting, one blue or orange jersey, and one participant's manual.

# YOUTH WRESTLING

**Who:**

Grades 2-5

**Cost:**

\$40-residents/\$60-non-residents

**Number of Participants:**

Limited to 40.

**When:**

Mondays and Wednesdays from November 18, 2024 to January 22, 2025, from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

**Where:**

First Flight Middle School

**Deadline to Register:**

November 13, 2024

**Instructor:**

Steve Smalley

**Details:**

Wrestlers will learn basic moves and safety and then will wrestle within the group. If you have questions, please email [smalleyst@daretolearn.org](mailto:smalleyst@daretolearn.org).

# MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL: 3-POINT CONTEST



## **When:**

**Wednesdays, beginning January 8, 2025**

## **Time:**

**4 p.m. for middle school students  
4:30 p.m. for high school students**

## **Details:**

The Dare County Parks and Recreation Department's annual 3-point contest will soon be getting underway at the Dare County Youth Center in Kill Devil Hills. The contest is open to all middle school and high school students and will be held each Wednesday beginning on Wednesday, January 8, 2025. Middle school participants will begin shooting at 4 p.m., and high school participants will shoot starting at 4:30 p.m. Participants and winners may compete each week.

Weekly winner photos and scores will be posted on the bulletin board at the Dare County Youth Center in Kill Devil Hills. The first place winner each week will receive a prize. Stop by the youth center to sign up for the next competition and show your skills! The last chance to compete is Wednesday, January 22, 2025, and all of the winners will compete against each other on Wednesday, January 29, 2025. For more information, please call Acra Styron at 252-475-5652.

## **Rules:**

1. Each participant will get 5 shots from 3 different stations around the 3-point line.
2. Each made basket is worth a point.
3. The player with the most points at the end of each contest will be the winner.
4. The weekly winners will face off on Wednesday, January 29, 2025 for the "grand prize."

# WINTER WONDERLAND



## **Who:**

**Ages 8-12**

## **When:**

**Friday, December 20, 2024, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.**

## **Cost:**

**\$5 (residents)**

## **Where:**

**Youth Center at Family Recreation Park in Kill Devil Hills**

## **Number of Participants:**

**Limited to 20.**

## **Deadline:**

**December 16, 2024 or open until full**

## **Details:**

When it is cold outside, your kids can join us for our Dare County Parks and Recreation Department's Winter Wonderland! There will be tons of fun with craft-making, baking christmas cookies, playing games and participating in several exciting activities. Then we'll relax with a holiday-themed movie. Yummy snacks will also be provided to keep the kids feeling warm and cozy; however, they must eat a meal before attending the event. Kids will also need to bring a blanket and pillow for the entertainment that will end the evening.