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Celebrating 23 Years of Dedication

Lee Williams Retires from Decatur Parks and Recreation

After 23 years of dedicated service, Lee Williams, the esteemed Decatur Recreation Center Supervisor, bids farewell to the community he passionately served.

Beginning in 1999-2003 as an After-school program staff member, Lee's journey continued in 2004 as a program supervisor, overseeing facility usage, sports camps, and more. His contributions often expanded beyond official duties, from fixing playground equipment to sanitizing during the pandemic.

In recognition of his outstanding contributions, Lee Williams was honored with the Thomas O. Davis Award in 2014. This prestigious award acknowledges public employees who strengthen the bond between government and the community, serving as inspirational role models. Lee's significant role within the Ebster community, fostering connections with families and youth, played a pivotal part in earning him this accolade. Teens in particular looked up to Lee, appreciating his kind and tender-hearted approach, demonstrating genuine care for their well-being.

Lee, a mentor to many, guided employees like DeMarcus Bundrage to success. As he retires, the Decatur Parks and Recreation Department expresses gratitude for his lasting impact on the city.

Thank you, Lee Williams, for making Decatur better. Your retirement celebrates a career of selfless service and genuine care for the community. Congratulations! DECATUR 4

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Senior Party Pass

Introducing the 2024 Senior Party Pass! Dive into an exciting world of exclusive celebrations hosted by Decatur Parks and Recreation. With this pass, you'll gain access to our monthly senior parties, each brimming with fun, laughter, and vibrant themes.

We've curated a diverse lineup, starting with an MLK celebration on January 10, followed by a heartwarming Valentine's Day Party on February 14, and an enchanting Saint Patrick's Day Party on March 13.

The Senior Party Pass is your ticket to every festivity for just \$50 per year (\$60 for non-residents). But wait, there's more! If you prefer to participate on a per-party basis, join us for \$5 per event. Join us for a year packed with joyous occasions, vibrant themes, and fantastic memories. Get your Senior Party Pass today on CommunityPass and let the celebrations begin!

Walk & Talk Decatur

Presented by City of Decatur & Clarity Fitness January 18, February 15, and March 21 at 6 p.m.

Whether you're a fitness enthusiast or just starting your wellness journey, this event offers something for walkers of all experience levels. Lace up your sneakers and get ready to explore the vibrant streets of Decatur. Join us for a fun-filled stroll around the Downtown Decatur Square every third Thursday starting on January 18! After the walk, join us back at Clarity Fitness for information about upcoming Decatur events and light refreshments sponsored by our local business partner of the month!

Touch-a-Truck and Touch-a-Budget

Saturday March 9 (Rain Date March 23) • 10 a.m.-1 p.m. • East Lake MARTA Station

Join Decatur Parks and Recreation on Saturday, March 9 from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. for the annual Touch-a-Truck and Touch-a-Budget Event. This fun community event gives children of all ages an opportunity to touch, explore and see their favorite trucks or equipment on wheels. The City of Decatur and DeKalb County dump trucks, fire trucks, tractors, police cars and motorcycles and many other types of vehicles will be on display.





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PARKS AND RECREATION NEWS



On May 18, 2023, the City of Decatur secured an exciting win—a \$2.08 million grant from Governor Kemp's Improving Neighborhood Outcomes in Disproportionally Impacted Communities program. This substantial funding fuels Decatur Parks and Recreation's

vision to revamp the youth and teen activity zone at Ebster Park, enhancing safety and addressing essential maintenance concerns in this vital community space. The proposed updates will provide restroom facilities, improved accessibility with open ramps, safer lighting, and exciting new recreational opportunities. These upgrades will cater to community needs identified during engaging public sessions and will benefit the entire community, fostering a more vibrant and inclusive park.

Georgia Walk & Roll to School Day - March 6

As part of the Safe Routes to School initiative, Decatur schools actively participate in the annual Georgia Walk & Roll to School Day. During this event, parents, school staff, and community members join students in walking and biking, aiming to highlight the enjoyable aspects of physical activity. SRTS objectives encompass encouraging more students and adults to choose walking, biking, or bus transportation, fostering improved fitness levels, reduced traffic congestion, and enhanced air quality around schools. Let's also remember to honor our dedicated crossing guards! If you're interested in volunteering to walk with a group or becoming a parent champion, please contact greg.white@ decaturga.com or call 678-553-6559.



DECATUR RECREATION CENTER

231 Sycamore Street

Youth Programs

BALLET/TAP

A dynamic and engaging ballet and tap class that is designed to foster creativity, discipline, and a love for dance in our young students. With expert instructors and a supportive environment, our program introduces children to the enchanting world of ballet and the rhythmic beats of tap dance. Join us every week for a delightful journey through these two beautiful dance forms.

Day: Mondays, 3:15-4 p.m. or Saturdays,

1-1:45 p.m. **Age:** 3-5

Fee: \$240 R/\$340 NR Instructor: Tameka Ruger

INTRO BALLET

Beginning with a focused warm-up, they learn the importance of proper body alignment, posture, and flexibility, all vital foundations for ballet. Under the guidance of our experienced ballet instructors, the students gracefully glide through a series of exercises, improving their balance, strength, and technique.

Day: Fridays

Discover our diverse range of programs, each featuring resident (R) and non-resident (NR) rates. While most classes offer monthly fees, some also provide convenient drop-in rates.

Time: 3-4 p.m. Age: 6-10 and 11-18 Fee: \$240 R/\$340 NR Instructor: Tameka Ruger

COOKING CAMP

Hey friends! Let's get cooking! You will learn to master knife skills, food and kitchen safety, and explore some amazing culinary techniques that you can utilize in your home kitchen or future culinary career. Get ready to prepare and sample some delicious seasonal dishes during this amazing cooking experience packed with several themed challenges to explore.

Session: Saturday – 2/3, 3/2, 4/13, 5/11

Time: 9 a.m-12:30 p.m. Grade: 4th-8th Fee: \$395 R/\$420 NR Instructor: Christine Benta

HIP HOP

This class is designated to introduce kids to the energetic world of hip hop dance. Whether your child is a beginner or has some dance experience, our expert instructor will ensure they have a blast

while learning the fundamental techniques

of this popular dance style.

Day: Mondays, 4:15-5 p.m. or Saturdays,

2-2:45 p.m. **Age:** 3-5

Fee: \$240 R/\$340 NR Instructor: Tameka Ruger

HIP HOP/MAJORETTE

In our Hip Hop Dance class, your child will embark on an exciting journey through the vibrant and rhythmic world of urban dance. Each session is thoughtfully structured to provide a mix of fun choreography, technique development, and creative expression.

Day: Fridays Time: 5-6 p.m. Age: 6-10 and 11-18 Fee: \$240 R/\$340 NR Instructor: Tameka Ruger

JAZZ/TAP COMBO

In our Jazz/Tap class, the beat takes center stage as dancers create mesmerizing rhythms and syncopated sounds. Students experience the exhilaration of tap dance,

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					Fee: Resident/	D D W	
Class/Activity	Age	Time	Day	Session	Nonresident	Reg. Deadline	Instructor
Ballet/Tap	3-5	3:15-4 pm 1-1:45 pm	MON or SAT	Monthly	\$240/\$340	Ongoing	Tameka Ruger
Cooking Camp	4th-8th	9 am-12:30 pm	SAT	2/3, 3/2, 4/13, 5/11	\$395/\$420	Ongoing	Christine Benta
Intro Ballet	6-10 and 11-18	3-4 pm	FRI	Monthly	\$240/\$340	Ongoing	Tameka Ruger
Нір Нор	3-5	4:15-5 pm 2-2:45 pm	MON or SAT	Monthly	\$240/\$340	Ongoing	Tameka Ruger
Hip Hop/Majorette	6-10 and 11-18	5-6 pm	FRI	Monthly	\$240/\$340	Ongoing	Tameka Ruger
Jazz/Tap Combo	6-10 and 11-18	4-5 pm	FRI	Monthly	\$240/\$340	Ongoing	Tameka Ruger
Karate	7-18	10-11:30 am	SAT	Monthly	\$60/\$85	Ongoing	Adesi Brown
Lotus Fencing	7-10	5:30-6:30 pm	WED	Monthly	\$60/\$85	Ongoing	Arnav Singh
Lotus Fencing	11-14	6:30-7:30 pm	WED	Monthly	\$60/\$85	Ongoing	Arnav Singh
Magical Mornings	2-5	11 am-12 pm	1/17 and 3/20	Jan and Mar	\$5/\$10	Ongoing	Various Entertainers
Tumbling	2-5	12-12:45 pm	SAT	Monthly	\$240/\$340	Ongoing	Tameka Ruger
Youth Theater and Performing Arts	K-2	9-10 am	SAT	1/20 - 5/11	\$350/\$375	12/18 - 1/19	Candice Newsum
Youth Theater and Performing Arts	3rd-6th	10-11:30 am	SAT	1/20 - 5/11	\$350/\$375	12/18 - 1/19	Candice Newsum
Youth Theater and Performing Arts	7th-8th	10-11:30 am	SAT	1/20 - 5/11	\$350/\$375	12/18 - 1/19	Candice Newsum

learning to generate precise sounds through their feet while discovering their own unique style.

Day: Fridays Time: 4-5 p.m. Age: 6-10 and 11-18 Fee: \$240 R/\$340 NR Instructor: Tameka Ruger

KARATE

Discover the art of karate with our holistic approach to learning this empowering martial art. Our Karate class offers a comprehensive and well-rounded experience that focuses on physical technique, mental discipline, and self-awareness. Register before the first class of each month to secure your spot.

Day: Saturdays **Time:** 10-11:30 a.m.

Age: 7-18 **Fee:** \$60 R/\$85 NR

Instructor: Adesi Brown

LOTUS FENCING

Interested in sword fighting? Then fencing is the sport for you – it requires mental

quickness and physical strength. Develop speed, endurance, precision and flexibility. Intellectually, you'll develop focus and discipline. Register before the first class of each month to secure your spot!

Day: Wednesdays

Time: 5:30-6:30 p.m. and 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Age: 7-10 and 11-14 **Fee:** \$60 R/\$85 NR **Instructor:** Arnav Singh

TUMBLING

Are you ready to flip, twist and tumble your way to greatness? Join our exciting tumbling classes where athletes of all ages and skill levels can soar to new heights. Tumbling is an exhilarating activity that combines strength, flexibility, and coordination, making it perfect for dancers, cheerleaders, gymnasts, or anyone looking to enhance their athletic abilities.

Day: Saturdays **Time:** 12-12:45 p.m.

Age: 2-5

Fee: \$240 R/\$340 NR Instructor: Tameka Ruger

MAGICAL MORNINGS

Entertainment for Toddlers • 2-5 yrs School groups—don't miss out on this fun entertainment for young people! Storytelling, music, and movement are included. Groups of 10 or more must make reservation and pre-pay. Contact Demetri Wheeler at: demetri.wheeler@decaturga.com or call 678-553-6621.

YOUTH THEATER AND PERFORMING ARTS

CandiNews Productions provides youth theatre experience designed to awaken the creative spirit and imagination through acting, musical theater, and movement in a safe, noncompetitive environment. This semester we will explore acting techniques, improvisation, scene study and much more. There will be a performance for family and friends on the last day of class.

Day: Saturdays • January 20-May 11 **Time:** 9-10 a.m. and 10-11:30 a.m.

Age: K-2 and 3rd-8th **Fee:** \$350 R/\$375 NR

Adult and Senior Programs

AEROBIC DANCE EXERCISE

Get fit with LZ Aerobics! Dance exercise and senior aerobics classes available. Join us for a fun and energizing workout!

Day: Mon/Wed/Fri and Mon/Wed **Time:** 9 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. **Fee:** \$85 R/\$90 NR, \$5 Drop-in **Instructor:** Bobbie Elzey **Registration:** 404-290-9082

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE BASICS

This class is designed for beginner students. The student will be introduced to American Sign Language and Deaf Culture during class activities. By the end of the course, students will be able to keep up a basic conversation and know appropriate behaviors in the Deaf Community. There will be the opportunity to meet Deaf speakers and see language at hand. Other opportunities to keep your ASL alive will be discussed in class.

Day: Wednesdays • February 7-April 10

Time: 6:30-8 p.m. **Fee:** \$310 R/\$335 NR **Instructor:** Adesi Brown

ARTS FOR THE MIND AND SOUL/DANCE CLASSES

No matter your fitness goals, DivaDance® is your favorite new cardio option! You'll rack up tons of steps, burn up to 800 calories in an hour and celebrate your curves – all while having FUN learning choreography to your favorite pop songs from Bey to Biebs. Since Diva Dance® classes are for all-levels and feature new choreography at each class, you'll never feel behind, out of place, or judged.

Day: Mondays and Wednesdays

Time: 7-8 p.m. beginners, 8-9 p.m. advanced

Fee: \$80 R/\$105 NR, \$15 Drop-in Instructor: Courtney Kenner Registration: CommunityPass

BINGO

Get ready for Bingo fun! Join us twice a month and win awesome prizes with no limits on winning! Don't miss out!

Day: Tuesdays, 1/9, 1/23, 2/13, 2/27, 3/12,

3/26

Time: 10 a.m.

Fee: \$2/Card R and \$3/Card NR

Registration: Drop-in

CONTRA DANCE

In this high-energy dance, you'll experience playful connections and the joy of dancing to live music, every Friday evening. A 30-minute introduction/refresher at 7:30 p.m. gives you all the skills you need to get started, then dancing continues from 8-10:40 p.m. No partner is necessary, just drop-in! Wear comfortable clothes and shoes. Please visit contradance.org for more information.

Day: Fridays

Time: 7:30-10:40 p.m.

Fee: \$15 (\$7 student and \$20 supporter

offered)

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FLAMENCO DANCE

Study the technique that's used for basic marking steps, footwork, and llamadas, and then use it in combinations and improvisation. No experience necessary.

Day: Wednesdays **Time:** 7-8 p.m. **Fee:** \$60 R/\$85 NR

Instructor: Julie Baggenstoss **Registration:** CommunityPass

FUNCTIONAL EXERCISES

A seated senior aerobics class for those with mobility or balance challenges.
Classes include music and workouts using elastic straps, small weights, and Swiss

Day: Mon/Wed/Fri Time: 10:15 a.m. Fee: \$60 R/\$75 NR Instructor: Bobbie Elzey Registration: 404-290-9082

LINE DANCING

Improve your mind, move your body, and lift your spirit! This is a beginner/advanced beginner class.

Day: Wednesdays **Time:** 2-3 p.m.

Fee: \$60 R/\$85 NR, \$15 Drop-in **Registration:** CommunityPass

QIGONG WITH HEIDI

Qigong is a gentle movement practice to enhance well-being. We will slow down and make connections to our brains, our bodies and the earth and leave class feeling more energized. This class is beneficial to all fitness levels.

Day: Fridays Time: 10:30 a.m. Fee: \$60 R/\$85 NR Instructor: Heidi Made Registration: CommunityPass

SCOTT PARK COMMUNITY GARDEN

This urban oasis features an organic community garden that brings residents together, keeps them active and provides urban greenspace therapy. Each plot is rented annually by City of Decatur residents. Fees are \$75 per year. If interested in joining, please contact Demetri Wheeler at demetri. wheeler@decaturga.com

TABLE TENNIS

Participate in a sport you can play for a lifetime. All ages and skill levels are welcome.

Day: Thursdays and Sundays

Time: 6:45-10 p.m. and 9:30 a.m.-1:45 p.m. **Fee:** \$5/\$10 Drop-in or \$25/\$50 monthly

membership

Instructor: Charlie Slater

TAI CHI FLOW (LEGACY PARK)

Advancing practitioners. Utilizing robust Qigong, Tai Chi and other internal practices to clean and refurbish one's energy system. Basic knowledge of Yang Style Short Form and some Qigong is mandatory. The aim is to create a breath, balance, body flow so that the student is better able to practice meditation in motion.

Day: Saturdays
Time: 11 a.m.
Fee: \$60 R/\$85 NR
Instructor: Steve Dorage
Registration: CommunityPass

TAI CHI PRACTICE

Midlevel practitioners. Utilizing robust Qigong practice with Yang Style Short Tai Chi form to create full body, brain, energy workout. This practice will help cleanse one's system, refurbish chi and help create a flowing practice. Knowledge of some Qigong and Tai Chi Tang Short form is a prerequisite.

Day: Mondays
Time: 5 p.m.
Fee: \$60 R/\$85 NR
Instructor: Steve Dorage
Registration: CommunityPass

Special Events and Workshops – Active Seniors

RSVP to Demetri Wheeler, demetri.wheeler@decaturga.com, 678-553-6621

Experience the 2024 Senior Party Pass! Gain exclusive entry to our monthly senior celebrations hosted by Decatur Parks and Recreation. Get the pass for \$50 annually (\$60 for non-residents) or pay \$5 per party. Join us for a year of joy and vibrant festivities—get your pass on CommunityPass now!

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. CELEBRATION Wednesday, January 10 • 11 a.m.

Join us for a spirited and uplifting Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration. Join fellow community members for an afternoon of tribute and celebration, honoring Dr. King's profound impact on civil rights and social justice. Together, let's embody the spirit of unity and reflect on the enduring message of hope and equality that Dr. King stood for. RSVP by January 5.

VALENTINE'S PARTY

Wednesday, February 14 • 11 a.m.

Help Decatur Parks and Recreation Department celebrate and spread the love on Valentine's Day. Dress to impress, take part in all the festivities as we dance and celebrate on this day of love and kindness. RSVP by February 9.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY

Wednesday, March 13 • 11 a.m.

Join us for a lively St. Patrick's Day Celebration! Enjoy Irish music, dance, and delightful surprises. Don your green attire and immerse yourself in the festive fun, sláinte! RSVP by March 8.

TAI CHI/QIGONG

Beginners/Hybrid class. Engage 60 minutes to restore your energy. This is a beginner's class and uses Qigong/Tai Chi to help with balance and relaxation while building strength and flexibility. The class is low impact and is accessible to most everyone.

Day: Wednesdays and Saturdays **Time:** 12 p.m. and 9:30 a.m. **Fee:** \$60/\$85 per month **Instructor:** Neil Norton **Registration:** CommunityPass

VOLLEYBALL

Join our recreational volleyball league, founded by three passionate ringleaders who know the net inside out. Drop in, play, and learn from the best!

Day: Sundays **Time:** 6-9 p.m.

Fee: \$5/\$10 Drop-in or \$25/\$50 monthly

membership

WEDNESDAY WALKS

Walking is fun, and it provides opportunities for social interaction. It helps us relax or energize and is an easy way to stay healthy in mind and body. Take a 2-3 mile walk with your neighbors around the Decatur neighborhood. Meet us on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. at Decatur Recreation Center.

WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL

Decatur Parks and Recreation has collaborated with Atlanta VA Medical Center's recreational therapy program to offer wheelchair basketball. Anyone 18+ with a physical disability will have the opportunity to play, learn and compete in wheelchair basketball. Every skill level welcome, veteran status not required!

Day: Mondays and Thursdays

Time: 12-2 p.m.

DEEP STRETCH YOGA

Balance and relax your body and mind with yoga poses that are held for longer periods of time with support to release tension in connective tissue, muscles and joints. Suitable for all levels. Bring a mat and a yoga blanket or large towel.

Day: Thursdays **Time:** 10 a.m.

Fee: \$60 R/\$85 NR, \$15 Drop-in **Instructor:** Cheryl Burnette **Registration:** CommunityPass

SLOW FLOW YOGA

Start your day with gentle flowing sequences that link movement to breathe as well as slower movements and held postures focusing on alignment, flexibility and balance. Bring a yoga mat.

Day: Tuesdays **Time:** 10 a.m.

Fee: \$60 R/\$85 NR, \$15 Drop-in **Instructor:** Cheryl Burnette **Registration:** CommunityPass

DRC/Adults and Seniors At-a-Glance

Class/Activity	Age	Time	Day	Session	Fee: Resident/Non- resident	Reg. Deadline	Instructor
Aerobic Dance	Seniors	9 am 5:30 pm	M/W/F M/W	Monthly	\$85/\$90 (10 weeks) \$5/class	Ongoing	Bobbie Elzey
ASL Basics	Adults	6:30-8 pm	WED	2/7-4/10	\$310/\$335	Ongoing	Adesi Brown
Arts For the Mind	Adults	8 pm	M/W	Monthly	\$80/\$105 \$15/class	Ongoing	Courtney Kenner
Bingo	Seniors	10 am	2nd and 4th TUE	Monthly	\$2/\$3 a card	Ongoing	DPRD Staff
Contra Dancing	Adults	7:30-10:40 pm	FRI	Weekly	\$15	Drop In	DPRD Staff
Flamenco	Adults	7-8 pm	WED	Monthly	\$60/\$85	Ongoing	Julie Baggenstoss
Functional Exercises	Senior	10:15 am	M/W/F	Monthly	\$60/\$75	Ongoing	Bobbie Elzey
Line Dancing	Adults	2-3 pm	WED	Monthly	\$60/\$85 \$15/class	Ongoing	Alexis Jones
Qigong with Heidi	Adults	10:30 am	FRI	Monthly	\$60/\$85	Ongoing	Heidi Made
Scott Park Community Garden		Open	Various	Yearly	\$75 per year	Ongoing	Demetri Wheeler
Table Tennis	Adults	6:45-10 pm 9:30 am-12:30 pm	THU SUN	Daily	\$5/\$10	Ongoing	Charlie Slater
Tai Chi Pratice	Adults	5 pm	MON	Monthly	\$60/\$85	Ongoing	Steve Rorage
Tai Chi/Qigong	Adults	12:00 pm 9:30 am	WED SAT	Monthly	\$60/\$85	Ongoing	Neil Norton
Wednesday Walks	Adults	10 am	WED	Weekly	Free	Drop In	DPRD Staff
Wheelchair Basketball	Adults	12-2 pm	MON/THU	Monthly	Free	Drop In	DPRD Staff
Deep Stretch Yoga	Adults	10 am	THU	Monthly	\$60/\$85 \$15/class	Ongoing	Cheryl Burnette
Slow Flow Yoga	Adults	10 am	TUE	Monthly	\$60/\$85 \$15/class	Ongoing	Cheryl Burnette

EBSTER RECREATION CENTER

105 Electric Avenue

Youth Programs

EBSTER E-GAMES TOURNAMENT

Come join us and other video game enthusiasts at Ebster for our series of video game tournaments hosted by your very own Decatur Parks and Recreation Department. This will be a friendly yet competitive environment for those who want to showcase their skills. Tournaments will have singles and doubles competition brackets. Come out and let's see who will walk away crowned the best in Decatur!

Day: Fridays **Time:** 6:30-9 p.m. **Session:** 3/1, 3/15, 3/29 **Fee:** \$15 R/\$25 NR

GAME NIGHT

Come join us for a fun night of games of all varieties. From sports games, video games, board games, card games, group games, to group games...you name it! This will be a fun night for all involved! I mean who doesn't love pizza, popcorn, and games?!

Day: Friday, 1/19 **Time:** 6:30-10 p.m. **Grade:** 6th-8th **Fee:** \$35 R/\$45 NR

KIDS YOGA AND MINDFUL ART

Playful poses, mindfulness games, and strategies to self-regulate. Children will have a blast learning a variety of yoga postures, playing engaging games to develop mindfulness, and creating crafts to help them bring their yoga practice home. Participants will learn meditation tools and breath techniques that they can apply in real world situations. Mats are provided. *Please send a healthy snack and a water bottle.

Day: Mondays **Time:** 5-5:45 p.m. **Age:** 5-10

Session 1: 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12 Session 2: 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25 Session 3: 4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 4/29 Fee: \$20/class, \$80 R/\$105 NR

KIDS YOGA AND MINDFUL ART – SATURDAY CAMP

Playful poses, mindfulness games, and strategies to self-regulate. Campers will have a blast learning a variety of yoga postures, playing engaging games to develop mindfulness, and creating crafts to help them bring their yoga practice home. Participants will learn meditation tools and breath techniques that they can apply in real world situations. Mats are provided. *Please send a healthy lunch and a water beattle.

Day: 1/27, 2/24, 3/23 **Time:** 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Age: 5-10

Fee: \$40 R/\$65 NR per class

PICKLEBALL SOCIAL YOUTH AND TEENS

Interested in Pickleball? Looking to make some new friends? Maybe you just want to get active? Come out and learn the basic concepts of pickleball with us through a series of fun games and activities. This social setting is fit for all skill levels.

Day: Mondays and Wednesdays **Time:** 6:30-7:30 p.m., 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Grade: 6th-8th, 9th-12th **Session:** 3/4-3/27

Fee: \$10/class, \$80 R/\$105 NR per session

PRE-TEEN NIGHT AND TEEN SOCIAL NIGHT

Every other Friday during the months of January–March, Ebster will host activities for teens and pre-teens, aged 10-17, to promote positive relationships and youth development through a variety of games and activities specifically designed for teens and by teens. Activities may include; basketball, dodgeball tournaments, trivia nights, board game nights, video game tournaments, and more.

Day: Friday **Time:** 7-10 p.m.

Grade: 6th-8th, 9th-12th **Session:** 6th-8th: 1/12, 2/2, 3/8 9th-12th: 1/26, 2/23, 3/22

Fee: \$10 R/\$15 NR

TEEN AND ADULT YOGA

Join us for an invigorating yoga class. This class is perfect for anyone from beginners to experienced practitioners. Each session will begin with warm-up stretches that lead into a dynamic flow with a relaxing cool down. This class will emphasize alignment along with breath work and meditation techniques to calm your mind and nourish your body.

Day: Mondays **Time:** 6-7 p.m. **Age:** Teen-Adult

Session 1: 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12 Session 2: 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25 Session 3: 4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 4/29

Fee: \$20/class, \$80 R/\$105 NR per session

TEEN PAINT AND JUICE

Come join us on Thursdays for a fun and exciting painting experience, intended for grades 6th-12th. Participants will explore a variety of artistic mediums ranging from drawing, painting, mixed media, and more, while also enjoying music and refreshments.

Day: Thursdays **Time:** 6-7 p.m. **Grade:** 6th-12th

Session 1: 1/11, 1/18, 1/25 Session 2: 2/1, 2/8, 2/22 Session 3: 3/7, 3/14, 3/21

Fee: \$15/class, \$30 R/\$45 NR per session

VALENTINE'S DANCE PARTY

Get dressed in your Sunday best and come join us for a night of music, dancing, and food! There will also be cookie decorating or make a nice card for that special someone!

Day: Friday, 2/9 **Time:** 6:30-9 p.m. **Grade:** 3rd-5th **Fee:** \$35 R/\$50 NR

WINTER BREAK FUTSAL CLINIC

Learn techniques and skills from Professional Licensed USSF Coaches. Campers will play various small, sided games to learn new skills, build confidence and enhance tactical understanding of the game. Camp is open to boys and girls of all skill levels.

Day: Monday-Friday **Time:** 9 a.m.-3 p.m. **Grade:** 1st-8th **Session:** 2/12-2/16 **Fee:** \$60/day, \$300/week



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Ebster Youth At-a-Glance

Class/Activity	Age	Time	Day	Session	Fee: Resident/ Nonresident	Reg. Deadline	Instructor
Ebster Egames Tournament Series	6th-12th	6:30-9 pm	FRI	3/1 - 2K 3/15 - Super Smash/Mario Kart 3/29 - Fortnite	\$15/\$25		DPRD Staff
Game Night	6th-8th	6:30-10 pm	FRI	1/19	\$35/\$45	1/14	DPRD Staff
Kids Yoga and Mindful Art	5-10	5-5:45 pm	MON	1-1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12 2-3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25 3-4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 4/29	\$20/class \$80/\$105		Ashley Cocchi-Miller
Kids Yoga and Mindful Art	5-10	9 am-1 pm	SAT	1/27, 2/24, 3/23	\$40/\$65		Ashley Cocchi-Miller
Pickleball Social - Youth	6th-8th	6:30-7:30 pm	M/W	3/4 - 3/27	\$10/class \$80/\$105	2/26	DPRD Staff
Pickleball Social - Teens	9th-12th	7:30-8:30 pm	M/W	3/4 - 3/27	\$10/class \$80/\$105	2/26	DPRD Staff
Pre-Teen Social Night	6th-8th	7-10 pm	FRI	1/12, 2/2, 3/8	\$10/\$15		DPRD Staff
Teen Social Night	9th-12th	7-10 pm	FRI	1/26, 2/23, 3/22	\$10/\$15		DPRD Staff
Teen and Adult Yoga	Teens and Adults	6-7 pm	MON	1-1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12 2-3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25 3-4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 4/29	\$20/class \$80/\$105		Ashley Cocchi-Miller
Teen Paint and Juice	6th-12th	6-7:30 pm	THU	1- 1/11, 1/18, 1/25 2- 2/1, 2/8, 2/22 3- 3/7, 3/14, 3/21	\$15/class \$30/\$45		DPRD
Valentines Dance	3rd-5th	6:30-9 pm	FRI	2/9	\$35/50	2/2	DPRD Staff
Winter Break Futsal Clinic	1st-8th	9 am-3 pm	M-F	2/12 - 2/16	\$60/day \$300/week	2/4	DHS Varsity Coaching Staff

Ebster Adults At-a-Glance

Pickleball Open Play	All Skill Levels	10 am-2 pm	M - F	Ongoing	\$5/\$10		DPRD
Pickleball Sunday Morning Mixer	All Skill Levels	10 am-4 pm	SUN	1/7 - 3/31	\$5/\$10 drop-in or Included in Membership		DPRD
Pickleball League Play	Beginner and Intermediate	5, 6, and 7 pm	SUN	1/14 - 3/3	\$50/\$75	1/7	DPRD
Yoga	Teens and Adults	6-7 pm	MON	1-1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12 2-3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25 3-4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 4/29	\$20/class \$80/\$105		Ashley Cocchi-Miller

EBSTER RECREATION CENTER

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OAKHURST RECREATION CENTER

450 East Lake Drive

Adult & Senior Programs

PICKLEBALL OPEN GYM

Pickleball combines elements of badminton, tennis and table tennis. Two or four players use a solid paddle to hit a plastic ball over a net on a badminton-size court. Come join your fellow pickleball players every weekday morning for open play, available to players of all skill levels and experience.

Day: Mondays-Fridays **Time:** 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Fee: \$5/\$10 Drop-in or included in monthly

membership

PICKLEBALL SUNDAY MIXER

Recreation and competitive play for beginner and intermediate players.
Participants can expect games and partner switching, intended for social engagement and interactions.

Day: Sundays **Time:** 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Fee: \$5/\$10 Drop-in or included in

monthly membership

PICKLEBALL SOCIAL LEAGUE

Eight-week league for beginner and intermediate players. Participants are guaranteed six league games and a chance to qualify for the two weeks of playoff play. Singles and fixed partner brackets.

Day: Sundays

Time: Games at 5, 6, and 7 p.m.

Fee: \$50 R/\$75 NR

TEEN AND ADULT YOGA

This class is perfect for anyone from beginners to experienced practitioners. Each session will begin with warm-up stretches that lead into a dynamic flow with a relaxing cool down. This class will emphasize alignment along with breathwork and meditation techniques to calm your mind and nourish your body.

Day: Mondays **Time:** 6-7 p.m. **Age:** Teen-Adult

Session 1: 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12 **Session 2:** 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25 **Session 3:** 4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 4/29

Fee: \$20/class, \$80 R/\$105 NR per session

Youth Programs

DANCE

Get ready to wiggle, giggle, and move to the groove! We are thrilled to invite your little ones to our dance classes, where music, movement, and fun come together to create a wonderful experience for your child. A fun dance class including Tap/Jazz/ Hip Hop for ages 4-7.

Day: Mondays or Wednesdays **Age/Time:** 5:30-6:30 p.m. 5-7, 5:30-6:30 p.m. **Fee:** \$60 R/\$85 NR

Instructor: Courtney Kenner

FRIENDSHIP FORMULAS

Social skills classes for PreK-8th graders, focusing on emotional regulation, communication, play, cooperation, and executive functioning. This inclusive program welcomes all children, specializing in those with ADD, ADHD, autism, anxiety, and challenging behaviors. No diagnosis required. Using art, sensory activities, science experiments, and games, we equip children with tools and strategies for better interaction and cognitive skills.

Day: Begins February 5 • Mondays

Time 4:30-5:30 p.m. **Age:** Pre-K-8th **Fee:** \$175 R/\$200 NR

Registration: CommunityPass

FUTSAL

Futsal is a thrilling form of indoor football (soccer) that emphasizes skill, technique, creativity, and teamwork. It is played on a smaller court with a smaller ball and offers a unique and exciting style of play that is popular worldwide.

Day: Begins March 4 • Mondays and Wednesdays

Time 6-9 p.m.

Fee: \$300 R/\$325 NR – 12-week session **Registration:** jonas@jv10academy.com

KASHIMA SHINTO IAI

Ever wanted to swing a sword like a Samurai? Learn the process and internal discipline necessary to do it without injuring yourself from 3rd Degree Black belt Dr. David Renner; who has almost 3 decades of experience!

Day: Thursdays **Time** 7 p.m. **Age:** 16+

Fee: \$100 R/\$125 NR **Instructor** Dr. David Renner **Registration:** CommunityPass

PARENT'S NIGHT OUT

You deserve a break, let us help! Whether you want to go out for dinner, catch a movie or take a good nap at home alone, we've got you covered! We'll have games, indoor and outdoor activities and plenty of fun for kids ages 5-12 years old. Dinner and a snack are included, discounts for siblings!

Day: Friday, 2/23 **Time** 5:30-9:30 p.m.

Fee: \$35 R/\$45 NR + \$20 each add'l sibling

Registration: CommunityPass

SHOTOKAN KARATE

is the most common style of karate in the world and became an Olympic sport in the Tokyo 2020 games. Now YOU can learn this art regardless of age or experience! Dr. David Renner has been training since 1985 and regularly worked with Team USA Karate. If you are looking to improve focus, discipline, and self-confidence in a fun and safe environment, register now.

Day: Tuesdays **Time** 4 p.m.

Fee: \$180 R/\$205 NR Instructor: Dr. David Renner Registration: CommunityPass Winter Session - Jan 9-Mar 26 Spring Session - April 9-May 28 Classes are broken down by age ranges: 4-4:45 p.m. (pre-karate) ages 5-7 yrs 4:50-5:40 p.m. (youth/parent) 8-15 yrs 5:45-6:45 p.m. (Adults) 16+

TOT TIME

The ORC gym will be transformed into an indoor playground for our new "Tot Time" program. Specifically designed for toddlers ages 1-4 yrs, we're creating a safe space for them to play and explore age-appropriate games, toys, and activities with their caregivers. Whether you want to get out of the house or come in from the cold or rainy weather, all are welcome. Feel free to bring your favorite toys as well.

Day: Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays Saturdays (starting in March)

Time 10-12 p.m., 12-2 p.m.

Age: 1-4 Fee: \$5 R/\$10 NR

Registration: CommunityPass

VALENTINE'S PJ PARTY

We're spreading a little love on Valentine's Day at ORC! Dress up in your favorite set of PJs and join us for treats, photos, and fun.

Day: Wednesday, 2/14 **Time** 5-7 p.m.

Grade: K-2nd **Fee:** \$35 R/\$50 NR

Adult & Senior Programs

COUCH TO 5K RUNNING GROUP

Make your running dreams a reality! Don't let intimidation hold you back-together, we'll conquer couch to 5K program to help you become a confident runner.

Day: Begins March 11 • Mondays and

Wednesdays Time 6:30 p.m.

Fee: \$15 with T-shirt/\$50 with T-shirt and

race entry

Registration: sana.cuffey@decaturga.com

OAKHURST INDOOR POOL

The Oakhurst Pool is a 5 lane, 148,000-gallon indoor aquatics facility. The pool is a partnership between the Decatur Parks and Recreation and Dynamo Swim. The pool is open Monday-Friday 6 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturdays 1:45-5 p.m. and Sundays 12-5 p.m. For more information visit the Oakhurst Pool section on decaturga.com/parksrec.

DECATUR HIKING CLUB

Discover the thrill of hiking with new friends! If you're nervous about hitting the trails alone, join the Decatur Hiking Club for exciting hikes to various parks around Georgia. In March we'll hike the Powers Island Trail.

Day: Saturday, 3/30 **Time** 10 a.m. Fee: \$5 R/\$10 NR

Registration: CommunityPass

PILATES

Pilates is a low-impact exercise method that focuses on core strength to improve your posture, mobility and balance in your everyday life. Pilates is for everyone; all abilities are welcome; modifications will be used as needed to make exercises accessible and challenge participants. Bring a yoga mat.

Day: Fridays **Time** 10 a.m.

Fee: \$60 R/\$85 NR, \$15 Drop-in Registration: CommunityPass

Special Events

ST. PATRICK'S DAY TRIVIA NIGHT Saturday, March 16 • 4-6 p.m.

Looking for something fun to do with friends and family? Trivia and Tunes is your answer! Trivia and Tunes is musical trivia with a twist. The host asks questions and then plays a song which gives you a clue to the answer. Trivia and Tunes is fun for everyone, and our host Emily Holden is a local Decatur resident and parent who loves entertaining her fellow Decaturites! Register as a group or sign up individually and we'll place you on a team. \$10 individual, \$40 for a group of 4.

SENIOR TRIP TO THE MOVIES Friday, February 2 • 12 p.m. - \$25

Let's catch a midday matinee! The Movie Tavern hosts "Young at Heart" specials for those 60+ on Fridays. Choice of movie to be determined but it's sure to be lots of fun regardless of what we see! Movie admission and shuttle bus ride included in price. Register by January 26th on CommunityPass.

Oakhurst Youth At-a-Glance

Class/Activity	Age	Time	Day	Session	Fee: Resident/ Nonresident	Instructor
Dance	3-4 5-7	4:30-5:30 pm 5:30-6:30 pm	M or W	Monthly	\$60/\$85	Courtney Kenner
Friendship Formulas	Youth	4:30-5:30 pm	MON	Monthly	\$175/\$200	Friendship Formulas
Futsal	7-17	6-9 pm	M/W/F	Monthly	\$300/\$325	Jonas Venancio
Kashima Shinto lai	Teen/Adults	7 pm	THU	Monthly	\$100/\$125	David Renner
Parent's Night Out	Youth	5:30-9:30 pm	2/23		\$35/\$45 + \$20 siblings	DPRD Staff
Shotokan Karate	Youth	4 pm	TUES	1/9-3/26 & 4/9-5/28	\$180/\$205	David Renner
Tot Time	1-4	10 am-12 pm	T/W/TH	Weekly	\$5/\$10	DPRD Staff
Valentine's Party	K-2nd	5-7 pm	2/14		\$35/\$50	DPRD Staff

Oakhurst Adults At-a-Glance

Couch to 5K	Adults	6:30 pm	M/W	3/11	\$15	DPRD Staff
Decatur Hiking Club	Adults	10 am	SAT	3/30	\$5/\$10	DPRD Staff
Pilates	Adults	10 am	FRI	Monthly	\$60/\$85	Cecilia Harris
St. Patrick's Day Trivia Night	Adults	6 pm	3/16		\$10 individual	DPRD Staff
Senior Trip to the Movies	Senior	12 pm	2/2		\$25/\$35	DPRD Staff

GLENLAKE TENNIS CENTER

1121 Church Street

Contact Jabari Cole jabari.cole@decaturga.com • 404-377-7231

TENNIS IN DECATUR!

Tennis classes and drills are held at Glenlake Tennis Center, 1121 Church St., and are priced per session unless otherwise indicated. Please register in advance at the Glenlake Tennis Center unless otherwise indicated

Glenlake Tennis Center

5 Premier courts 1121 Church St. 9-8 p.m. M-F 9-6 p.m. SAT, SUN

Scott Park Tennis Courts

2 Premier courts w/ pickleball lines 231 Sycamore St. 8-10 p.m. daily

Oakhurst Park Tennis Courts

2 concrete courts 307 Feld Ave. 8-10 p.m. daily

Court Fees (per 2 hours) \$5 for residents before 6 p.m. \$10 for residents after 6 p.m.

\$10 for nonresidents before 6 p.m. \$20 for nonresidents after 6 p.m.

Residents must register at Glenlake Tennis Center or online through CommunityPass for court time. Proof of residency (picture ID and a recent tax/utility bill) required for first time registrants.

Youth Programs

MUNCHKIN TENNIS

The instructors teach children proper stroke form and footwork while keeping the major focus of the class about fun. Each child will need to bring a tennis racquet and closed toe/closed heel shoes. This is a drop-in class. Children may attend as many classes per week as they would like.

Day: Mondays-Thursdays **Time:** 4:10-4:50 p.m.

Age: 4-6

Fee: \$10 R/\$15 NR, per class **Registration:** Drop-in



BEGINNING AND INTERMEDIATE TENNIS (7-17 YRS)

The focus of each hour revolves around stroke development, movement, and introduction to tennis play. Each child will need to bring a tennis racquet and closed toe/closed heel shoes. Please contact jabari.cole@decaturga.com to inquire about availability.

Day: Mondays-Thursdays

Time: 5-6 p.m. **Age:** 7-17

Fee: \$15 R/\$20 NR, per class **Registration:** Drop-in

YOUTH ALTA/USTA TEAM TENNIS

Glenlake Tennis Center has youth girls and boys ALTA/USTA teams. Space is extremely limited, so please contact Glenlake Tennis Center for information about tryouts.

Adult & Senior Programs

ADULT BEGINNER TENNIS CLINIC

Whether you have never picked up a racket before, or you are a seasoned veteran looking to make your strokes better, this course is the best value in Metro Atlanta.

The course covers forehands, backhands, proper tennis movement, serves, overheads, and the basics of singles and doubles play. Contact Glenlake Tennis Center to check on the start date of the next clinic and to reserve your spot.

Day: Sundays **Time:** 12 p.m. **Session:** 6 weeks

Fee: \$100 R/\$125 NR, per session **Registration:** 404-377-7231

ADULT ROUND ROBIN

Players will compete with other adults of varying skill levels in singles and doubles mini sets.

Day: Sundays **Time:** 9:30-11 a.m.

Fee: \$15 R/\$20 NR, per class **Registration:** Drop-in

TEAM TENNIS

Glenlake Tennis Center is home to many ALTA and USTA teams. If you are looking to join a tennis team, you may call the Glenlake Tennis Center at 404-377-7231, with your name, phone number, and current skill level. If teams are looking for players, we will gladly pass along your contact information.

ATHLETICS



LAX to the MAX!

Still the fastest game on two feet. Decatur Parks and Recreation will offer leagues for players in Kindergarten–Middle School. Players must provide their own equipment including a lacrosse stick, helmet, gloves, and mouth guard.

BOYS LACROSSE IN-HOUSE LEAGUE

Discover the thrill of lacrosse! Join us Saturdays at Oakhurst Recreation Field for action-packed sessions where young players learn the basics, teamwork, and sportsmanship of this exciting sport!

Day: Saturdays • March 2-May 4 (Not held

during Spring Break) **Time:** 1-2:30 p.m. **Grade:** K-3rd **Fee:** \$180 R/\$215 NR

Registration: CommunityPass

BOYS LACROSSE

This league will be offered to boys, grades 4th/5th, 6th/7th and 8th. These teams will practice twice a week on local fields beginning the week of January 22. Games will be played on Sundays, beginning

February 11. 4th/5th and 6th/7th grade teams will play in the Gwinnett Lacrosse League and the 8th grade team will play in the Atlanta Middle School League.

Grade: 4th-8th **Fee:** \$180 R/\$215 NR

Registration: CommunityPass

GIRLS LACROSSE

This league will be offer to girls grades 6-8th and 8-12th These teams will practice twice a week on local fields beginning the week of January 22. Games will be played on Sundays, beginning February 11. These teams will play in the Gwinnett girls lacrosse league.

Grade: 6th-12th **Fee:** \$180 R/\$215 NR

Registration: CommunityPass

Go for the Goal!

Join us for a dynamic season filled with skill-building, teamwork, and exciting matches. From honing individual techniques to fostering camaraderie, our soccer sessions cater to all skill levels, promising an exhilarating journey into the world's most beloved sport!

MINI SOCCER

Mini soccer is instructional program that is held on Saturdays for 4-5 year olds. Each Saturday, participants will have one 30-minute practice and one 30-minute game. Teams consist of eight players. Everyone gets to play and have fun. All games and practices are held at Legacy Park.

Fee: \$80 R/\$105 NR

Registration: CommunityPass

COED LEAGUE SOCCER

Are you looking for an alternative to school teams that offers competition and fun at the same time? Look no further than our coed soccer league. All levels and skill ranges are welcome. Participants will have one one-hour practice during the week, beginning the week of March 4. Games will be on Saturdays, beginning March 16. League division: 6-7, 8-9, 10-12.

Age: 6-12

Fee: \$180 R/\$215 NR

Registration: CommunityPass

Youth Sports At-a-Glance

Program	Registration Dates	Fee (Res./Nonres.)
Boys Lacrosse In-House League	Begins January 2	\$180/215
Boys Lacrosse	Begins January 20	\$180/\$215
Girls Lacrosse	Begins January 20	\$180/\$215
Mini Soccer	Begins January 8	\$80/\$105
Coed League Soccer	Begins January 8	\$180/\$215



OUT OF SCHOOL TIME

Animal Crackers & Whiz Kids

The City of Decatur's Parks and Recreation Department offers seven afterschool programs serving City Schools of Decatur K-5th graders throughout the city. The Animal Crackers program serves K-2nd graders at five locations: Clairemont, Glennwood, Oakhurst, Westchester, and Winnona Park Elementary Schools. The Whiz Kids program is offered at two sites for 3rd-5th graders – Talley Street Upper Elementary and Fifth Avenue Upper Elementary. Programs have active waiting lists. You may add your child to the waiting list online at register.communitypass.net/cityofdecatur. Please call the Parks and Recreation office or email registration@decaturga.com to inquire about enrollment status.



After School Dates to Remember

FEBRUARY 20

Lottery registration opens at 10 a.m.

APRIL 19

Lottery registration closes at 6 p.m.

APRIL 26

After school lottery spin for 2024-25

MAY 1

Notification of lottery/waitlist enrollment

Decatur's Afterschool Program Fees 2024-2025

	Afterschool Program	Registration Fee	Monthly Session Fee/Nonresident Fee	Part-time Session Fee/Nonresident Fee	Location(s)
ANIMAL CRACKERS City of Docatur • After School	Animal Crackers , Grades K-2 Hours: M-F, dismissal to 6:15 pm	\$35	\$395/\$420 (M-F)	\$90/\$100 one day/week \$180/\$200 two days/week \$270/\$300 three days/week \$360/\$400 four days/week	Clairemont, Glennwood, Oakhurst, Westchester Winnona Park
whiz kids	Whiz Kids, Grades 3-5 Hours: M-F, dismissal to 6:15 pm	\$35	\$395/\$420 (M-F)	\$90/\$100 one day/week \$180/\$200 two days/week \$270/\$300 three days/week \$360/\$400 four days/week	5th Avenue Upper Elementary Talley Street Upper Elementary

Fees due in advance on the 15th of each month. Sessions are 20 school days each. For more information, visit decaturga.com/parksrec and select Out of School Time.

K-5th All-Day Camps

Decatur Parks and Recreation provides care for K-5th children on Teacher Workdays and other school breaks. All Day Camps are open to any family wishing to register including non-residents and families not enrolled in City of Decatur afterschool programs. Children must be at least 5 years of age and must have experience with full day programs.

Registration is limited. Programs open 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m. at Decatur Legacy Park, 500 S. Columbia Drive, Cochran Building.

Cost is \$50/day for residents, \$60/day for nonresidents. Bring your own lunch. Daily snack is provided.

DATE	THEME	DEADLINE
Feb. 12-16	MAGICAL CREATURES	Jan. 26
Feb. 12	Unicorns	Jan. 26
Feb. 13	Dragons	Jan. 26
Feb. 14	Mer-people	Jan. 26
Feb. 15	Wizards	Jan. 26
Feb. 16	Fairies	Jan. 26
APRIL 1-5	VIDEO GAMES	Mar. 16
April 1	Pixel	Mar. 16
April 2	Super Mario	Mar. 16
April 3	Emoji Movie	Mar. 16
April 4	Sonic	Mar. 16
April 5	Wreck It Ralph	Mar. 16



2024-25 Afterschool Programs Registration

In 2024-25 City of Decatur plans to offer seven afterschool programs for K-5th graders in Decatur. (See the table on page 14 for program locations.)

WHO: For new Kindergarten families, families just moving to Decatur, and any family seeking to enroll in City of Decatur afterschool programs in the 2024-25 school year.

WHEN: Lottery registration will open February 20 at 10 a.m. and close April 19 at 6 p.m.

HOW: Please visit the Forms and Documents page on decaturga.com/parksrec for a downloadable PDF about the afterschool lottery process. The lottery will be run on April 26 and families will be notified via email of their enrollment status no later than May 11. Children not assigned a space in the lottery spin will be automatically placed on the waitlist for that program.

Pre-registration for currently enrolled families

WHO: Families with all fees paid through January 15, 2024 (Session 6) with at least one child enrolled in a City of Decatur afterschool program in the current 2023-24 school year as of January 15, 2024, are eligible to pre-register all eligible children (will be in K-5th grades in 2024-25 school year) for 2024-25 afterschool programs. **WHEN:** January 8-31, online.

Information and release and health forms for 2024-25 will be available to enrolled families online in January 2024. The forms should be completed and submitted online by January 31.

Register for Summer Camp

Come play with us this summer!
Information about City of Decatur's
2024 summer camp sessions can
be found in the Camp Edition of the
Playbook at decaturga.com/playbook.
Online registration for summer day
camp opens January 6, 2024, at 9
a.m. Families that have not previously
registered for City afterschool programs
or an activity or event through Decatur



Parks and Recreation should take steps to create a new family account on the City's registration software, CommunityPass. Please visit register.communitypass.net/cityofdecatur to create your account and complete the camp registration process. For more information on how to register please review the Camp Playbook for 2024 and look for additional information on decaturga.com/parksrec.

Financial Assistance

Financial assistance for summer camps is available to families on a sliding scale based on annual income and household size. The minimum weekly rate is \$40 per child. Families seeking financial assistance to send a child to camp should complete a financial assistance application in addition to the camper information and release form. Please find the 2024-25 financial assistance application link on the Forms and Documents page of decaturga.com/parksrec. See application for required documentation. Funds are provided in part by the Mary Miller Decatur Youth Fund and are awarded to city residents who have a documented need.

Give to the Mary Miller Decatur Youth Fund

To support children and families in need of afterschool, camp and athletics services who may not have the means to afford the full cost of programs, please consider a contribution to the Mary Miller Decatur Youth Fund.

The Mary Miller Decatur Youth Fund makes it possible for children in the City of Decatur whose families cannot afford to pay for athletics, swim team, afterschool, and camp programs to participate in these enriching opportunities. The Decatur Education Foundation graciously manages this fund, which allows Decatur children in need to participate in Decatur Parks and Recreation activities throughout the year.

To make a financial contribution to the Decatur Youth Fund, mail a check made out to the Decatur Education Foundation (please write "Decatur Youth Fund" in notes) to 500 S. Columbia Drive, Decatur, GA 30030. Contributions are tax deductible. For more information, contact Claire Miller at 404-377-0494 or claire.miller@decaturga.com.





NOW HIRING!

Awesome afterschool staff needed

Decatur Parks and Recreation seeks motivated, qualified applicants for the Afterschool Counselor position. If you or someone you know is looking for rewarding, high energy, part-time work, please share this opportunity with them. The position works during the City Schools of Decatur school year and shifts are 1:45-6:15 p.m. at 3rd-5th grade programs and 2:15-6:15 p.m. at K-2nd grade programs with some Tuesday night and Saturday morning meetings. The position pay rate is \$16 per hour. Applications are online at decaturga.com/jobs.

How to Play

How to Play in Decatur

Register at register.communitypass.net/cityofdecatur or Decatur Recreation Center, 231 Sycamore St.

- Proof of residency is required for resident fees and is subject to verification. Non-verifiable addresses will not be accepted. Proof of residency accepted includes: tax bill, utility bill, rent receipt, current signed lease agreement, or property deed/ mortgage note.
- Online registration requires a family account and password. Paperwork must be completed in advance of registration day to allow online registration. Find more information at register.communitypass.net/ cityofdecatur.
- Registration for all programs will continue at Decatur Recreation Center and online until programs are filled or until the registration deadlines. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., and Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- For information on how to register online, go to decaturga.com/parksrec. Click on Register and Reserve for instructions. CommunityPass will not accept financial aid registration. Contact our office for support at 404-377-0494. CommunityPass accepts Visa, MasterCard, Discover, or e-Check.

Financial Assistance

A limited amount of financial assistance is available to City of Decatur residents who demonstrate a need on a first-come-first-served basis. Proof of residency and income verification must be submitted with the financial assistance application. Assistance is based on a sliding scale. A minimum rate will be required for each activity. Applications are available online and at the Decatur Recreation Center.

Financial Assistance Notes:

- An application for financial assistance is not a promise of financial aid.
- Only City of Decatur residents may apply for financial aid and are required to provide verification of residency upon application, in the form of a tax bill, utility bill or rent receipt.
- Residents are required to submit verification of income.
 Copies of three current paycheck stubs, letters of supplemental income, Medicaid letters, or copies of the preceding year's filed taxes will be accepted. All information will remain confidential.

DATES to REMEMBER

Jan. 6 Summer Camp Registration Begins

Jan. 15 Closed for MLK Holiday

Feb. 10 Super Hooper Day

Feb. 12-16 City Schools of Decatur Winter Break

March 6 Georgia Walk & Roll to School Day

March 9 Touch-a-Truck & Touch-a-Budget

April 1-5 City Schools of Decatur Spring Break

OPEN GYM

All adult (18+) open gym activities are \$5 Res/\$10 Non-Res. Monthly memberships can be purchased on CommunityPass, \$25 Res/\$50 Non-Res.

Decatur Recreation Center

231 Sycamore St.

YOUTH OPEN GYM BASKETBALL

Monday-Friday, 3:30-5 p.m. During the school year

FAMILY OPEN GYM

Saturdays (Starting in March), 1-3:30 p.m.

TABLE TENNIS

Thursdays, 6:45-10 p.m. Sundays, 9:30 a.m.-1:45 p.m.

ADULT VOLLEYBALL

Sundays, 6-9 p.m., year-round

Ebster Recreation Center

105 Electric Ave.

YOUTH OPEN GYM BASKETBALL

Monday-Friday, 3:30-5 p.m. During the school year

PICKLEBALL

Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sundays 10 a.m.-4 p.m.



Oakhurst Recreation Center

450 East Lake Drive

YOUTH OPEN GYM BASKETBALL

Monday-Friday, 3:30-5 p.m. during the school year

TOT TIME

TU/WED/THU 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Saturdays (Starting in March) 12-2 p.m.

PICKLEBALL

Starting in March: TU/TH 5-7 p.m., Saturdays, 2-4 p.m.

ADULT MEN'S BASKETBALL

Thursdays (Starting in March), 7-9 p.m.

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