



Community Bulletin

December 13th, 2021

Dear Shrewsbury Families,

Please note the following announcements and information related to various events or activities that may be of interest to you and your children. Announcements from non-school sources are passed on as a courtesy if they meet the requirements of the [School Committee policy](#).

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Community Items

1. **[Please Note](#) – Shrewsbury Parks & Recreation Offerings**

Winter Online Registration- Currently accepting registration for some of the Winter programs. New programs will be added throughout December/January based on space availability. Pre-registration is required for all of the parks & recreation programs. Space is limited

Kids Test Kitchen! - For kids ages 7 and up, each virtual class presents students with an opportunity to explore new or familiar foods in their raw, unmanipulated state. Then, with adult supervision and occasional assistance, (as needed), we'll work together virtually, to slice, dice, peel, measure, and cook until we have each prepared the finished dish. The virtual experience gives students the unique opportunity to immediately share their work with family! 6 Thursdays starting 1/6 from 5:30-6:30pm
Cost is \$82

Social Skills Workshop- Grades 2-7th on Saturday 1/15 from 11:45-1:15pm at Oak MS Cafe.
Cost is \$55

Dining Etiquette Workshop- Grades 2-7th on Saturday 1/15 from 10-11:30am at Oak MS Cafe.
Cost is \$60

Children's Conversation Skills Workshop- Grades 2-7th on Saturday 1/15 from 6:30-7:30pm at Sherwood MS Cafe. Cost is \$45

Restaurant Ready Workshop- Grades 2-7th on Thursday 2/3 from 6:30-7:30pm at Sherwood MS Cafe. Cost is \$45

Home Safety- Ages 9 and up, Saturday 1/22 from 9:30-Noon at Oak MS Cafe. Cost is \$37

Babysitting Course- for grades 6-8th on Thursdays 1/20 & 1/27 from 4-6:30pm at Oak MS Cafe.
Cost is \$57

Tai Chi- Wednesdays starting January 5th from 5:30-6:30pm for 8 classes. Cost is \$48 for a resident.

Men's Pickup Basketball- Wednesdays starting January 16th at Oak MS Gym. Cost is \$30

Adult Co-Ed Volleyball- Intermediate on Mondays, Advance on Tuesdays and Recreational on Thursdays. Visit our website for fees, times, dates and schedules.

Visit our new website! shrewsburyma.myrec.com Old accounts do not work in the new system. Please build a new household and we can approve for you.

2. Please Note – Shrewsbury Public Library December Events for Tweens & Teens

We have tons of great events for tweens and teens happening in December at the Library!

- Wednesday, December 15th - Peeps Winter Scenes. Grades 5-12. Register [here](#).
- Fridays, December 17th - Self Improvement Club - 4:00 p.m. in Meeting Room A. Grades 5-8. Register [here](#) (December 10th) and [here](#) (December 17th).

- Friday, December 17th - Teen Take & Make: Hand-Poured Candles - all day in the Teen Room. Grades 5-12. No registration necessary - grab a kit to take home.
- Monday, December 20th - Teen Advisory meeting - 8:00 p.m in the Teen Room. Grades 5-12. Register [here](#).
- Monday, December 27th - Escape from the Ice Fortress - 1:30 p.m. and 2:45 p.m. in Meeting Room A. Grades 5-12. Register [here](#) (1:30 p.m.) and [here](#) (2:45 p.m.)
- Tuesday, December 28th - Escape from the Ice Fortress - 11:00 a.m., 12:15 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. in Meeting Room A. Grades 5-12. Register [here](#) (11:00 a.m.), [here](#) (12:15 p.m.) and [here](#) (2:30 p.m.)
- Wednesday, December 29th - Animal Crossing Regifting Party - 2:00 p.m. in Meeting Room A and virtually. Ages 5+. Register [here](#).
- Fridays - Each Friday after school we'll have a different game or activity! Drop in for guessing games, puzzles, board games and more.

Check our [online calendar](#) or [flyer](#) for more details and registration!

3. Please Note – Town of Shrewsbury Scholarships (New)

Applications are now available for the 2022 Town of Shrewsbury scholarships. These scholarships are awarded to deserving residents of Shrewsbury who are seniors at any high school. Awards are based on financial need, character, community service, and academic achievement. The Scholarship Fund was instituted by Town Meeting vote in May 1995. In 2021, twenty-five \$500.00 scholarships were awarded to students who were furthering their education at accredited institutions of higher learning.

Students who are interested in applying for a scholarship may obtain applications at the Shrewsbury High School Guidance Office or other high school guidance offices in the surrounding area, or at the Board of Selectmen's Office. Applications can be downloaded at the Town of Shrewsbury website at [2022 Scholarship Application](#).

Completed applications must be received by the Board of Selectmen's office no later than 4:00 pm on Thursday, March 10, 2022. Additional information is included in the application.

For additional information regarding the Town of Shrewsbury Scholarship Fund, please see the [newsflash on the Town website](#).

4. Save the Date – Shrewsbury Historical Society Program, December 15th

Shrewsbury Historical Society presents "The History of Christmas Carols" by Sari Bitticks on Wednesday, December 15th at 7:00 p.m. Virtual program and taped rebroadcast on

Shrewsbury Channels 28 and 328 and available on demand online at www.shrewsburymediaconnection.org.

About the program: Everyone loves the old, familiar Christmas carols. But some of them do not mean what you think they do. Some are actually calls to rebellion and more. Find out who wrote some of your favorite carols, and why others were dangerous to sing.

About the presenter: Sari is President of the Auburn Historical Society and Chair of the Auburn Historical Commission. She enjoys conducting research for accurate, yet entertaining presentations.

Special bonus feature: As a special holiday treat, this program will also include an uninterrupted musical presentation of the carols performed on piano by Mark Mummert. Mark is Cantor at Trinity Lutheran Church in Worcester and Associate Conductor of the Worcester Chorus. He is on the faculty of the Hanover Theater and Conservatory in Worcester and performs regularly with the Worcester Chamber Music Society.

NEW: Download the Shrewsbury Media Connection app from the App Store and watch Shrewsbury Historical Society programs live as well as those recently recorded. Questions? Email shrewsburyhistory@townisp.com.

5. Save the Date – Shrewsbury Trails Committee (New)

The Shrewsbury Trails Committee invites you to start off a healthy New Year on January 1, 2022 with a First Day Hike!

Please join us at Lake Street Park on Saturday, January 1, 2022, between 10 a.m. and noon. Explore the trails, hunt for signs of wildlife, or just chat by the fire and drink hot chocolate. All are welcome and there is no pre-registration. Meet at the Park's picnic area near the first parking lot and be sure to dress for wintery weather and trail conditions. For more information call Lisa Grosskopf at 909-239-5843 or email the Trails Committee at trails01545@gmail.com.

Youth Athletics and Activities

1. Please Note – Shrewsbury Youth Soccer Spring 2022 Season

The goal of SYS is to create and foster a positive and fun-filled environment for players, coaches, officials and parents. The program strives to maintain the highest standard of skill and sportsmanship, developing and training players, coaches, and referees for all levels of competition and offering a program that encourages and supports the participation of all

abilities. The season is scheduled to start in April and run through to early June. Registration is open to all age groups from pre-kindergarten through grade 12. Click [here](#) to register.

2. Please Note – Central Mass Revolution Hockey

Looking to get your kiddo out on the ice for hockey? If so, visit www.RevsHockey.com for registration for our “Learn to Play Hockey House League” with Central Mass Revolution (Shrewsbury youth hockey and Starhawks youth hockey). See our [flyer](#) for all of the details. Go REVS!

3. Please Note – Shrewsbury Youth Lacrosse Spring 2022 Registration Open

Registration for the 2022 Spring lacrosse season is now open for Shrewsbury boys in 1st through 8th grades. As always, Shrewsbury Youth Lacrosse (SYL) encourages players of any ability to join us for an exciting new season of lacrosse. See [flyer](#) for more information and go to our [website](#) to find out more about our organization, the game, and how to register to play with us this spring.

Questions? Email us at shrewsburylax@gmail.com or find us on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#). Come join us for the fastest game on two feet!

4. Please Note – Shrewsbury Little League Baseball

Registration is now open for the Spring 2022 Shrewsbury Little League baseball season! Join the tradition and sign up now! Players 5-years-old to 12-years-old can register [here](#). Team assignments for all divisions will be sent out in the spring. Registered ball players in AAA (9- and 10-year-olds) and Majors (11- and 12-year-olds) will be invited to an indoor player evaluation this February - please be on the lookout for more information.

5. Please Note – Shrewsbury Little League Softball

Register now for the Spring 2022 Shrewsbury Little League softball season! Join the tradition of learning the game of softball in a competitive and fun program. Players preschool through high school age can register [here](#). No prior playing experience is necessary. The season runs from April–June and team assignments will be sent out in the spring. Players will be invited to an indoor evaluation on January 29th at The Bancroft School. The Pitching Clinic registration is also now open.
