



Community Bulletin

July 18th, 2022

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](#).

School Department at Town Hall Summer Hours

Starting on Tuesday, June 21st, the School Department will follow the Shrewsbury Town Hall's summer hours. The following schedule will be in effect through Friday, August 19th. The School Department will resume regular 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily hours the week of August 22nd.

Monday: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday: 8:00 a.m. to **6:30 p.m.**

Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Thursday: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Friday: 8:00 a.m. to **12:00 p.m.**

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Shrewsbury Public Schools is currently accepting applications for a District Courier, 30 hours per week. The hourly rate is \$20.89-\$26.03 based on experience. This position is benefit-eligible and includes paid time off. Candidates with diverse racial, ethnic, cultural, religious, class, and/or gender background and experiences are strongly encouraged to apply. Please [click here](#) for more information about the position and to apply.

2. [Save the Date](#) – Music Drive by the Shrewsbury Schools Music/Theater Association **(New)**

Please save the date for the 67th annual SSMA Music Drive, taking place the morning of Saturday, September 10th. All high school theater and music students should plan to participate in this one-time, four-hour event to sell season concert tickets in our neighborhoods and help raise funds for our theater and music departments. This one event alone earns as much as \$16,000 for use by our performing arts directors and teachers, and we need full community support to accomplish this!

We are in great need of adult drivers! Each year we need 40 to 50 parents to help drive the students out on their routes. It is a tremendous task to find enough drivers to help us in this event. Please consider helping this year! Visit myssma.com to learn more and volunteer to drive!

3. [Please Note](#) – 2022-2023 Parker Road Preschool Openings

Are you looking for a fantastic preschool program for your 3 or 4 year old child for the 2022-2023 school year? Parker Road Preschool, Shrewsbury's integrated preschool, has

availability for the 4-day afternoon session (Monday through Thursday) and a very short waitlist for the 5-day morning session. Please visit the [Shrewsbury Public Schools registration website](#) for more information about our program. If you are interested in joining our waitlists, please click on the orange banner labeled "[2022-2023 Preschool Waitlist](#)" to add your child to the waitlist. We look forward to welcoming you to our Parker Road family!

4. Please Note – Summer Enrichment Classes

Shrewsbury Public Schools is offering a small selection of afternoon enrichment classes in July and August to all current Shrewsbury Public Schools students entering grades 1-9. These classes were originally open only to students who are also invited to participate in Summer Academy classes in the morning; remaining spots in these classes are now open to all students who will be in grades 1-9 in the Shrewsbury Public Schools next fall. Spaces are limited, and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

Location: Maj. Howard W. Beal School

Schedule: Monday-Thursday, 12:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Dates: July 18-21, July 25-28, Aug 1-4, Aug 8-11

Cost: Classes are discounted for all participants, and each class costs \$40/week.

How to Register

- Visit our registration website <https://shrewsburyma.ce.eleyo.com/>
- In the upper right corner, click "Sign In"
- If you don't have an account, click "Create One Now"
 - Set up your account - when it asks for "Your info" it means the parent, not the student
 - Add your child to your account
 - Add a second parent to the account if applicable
- Click "Explore" or go back to the home screen
- Under the heading "Summer Academy PM enrichment" click "register now"
- There are many courses to choose from each week
- You can sort the classes by date, or by grade to find a class that meets your needs
- Each child can choose one class per week
- After you've added all the classes to your cart, check out and pay
- All payments must be made online, at the time of registration
- Unpaid classes are incomplete registrations and will not be saved in your shopping cart

If you have any questions or need assistance with registration, please contact Karen Isaacson, Director of Extended Learning, at kisaacson@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us.

Community Items

1. Please Note – Town of Shrewsbury Strategic Planning Community Feedback (New)

The Town has entered into its next phase of the Strategic Planning process! After the first round of community feedback, the Board of Selectmen have drafted Strategic Outcome Areas and are looking for feedback from the community on each area! More details on the Strategic Outcome areas can be found on the [Strategic Planning webpage](#). Get involved by attending one of our community feedback sessions or providing your feedback [online from the comfort of your home](#)!

The various Community Feedback Sessions are scheduled throughout the Months of July and August over a 4 week period in a variety of modalities - virtual, in person, and drop-in sessions. Please [click here](#) to see the schedule. Please reach out to Taylor Galusha at tgalusha@shrewsburyma.gov if you have any questions and visit the [website](#) for more information on the project!

2. Save the Date – Shrewsbury Parks & Rec Food Truck Festival, August 5th (New)

Shrewsbury Parks & Recreation is sponsoring a Food Truck Festival on Friday, August 5th from 4:30 to 8:30 p.m. on the Oak Middle School front lawn. Bring a blanket or lawn chair and come out and enjoy food from over 10+ food trucks. There will be trucks serving entree items and sweet items.

DJ Larry Falk will be on hand playing music and there will be a coloring station for kids and lawn games for people to use during the event. The event will be held rain or shine. Mark your calendar and make plans to have a fun night out with family and friends. For more information, please [visit our website](#) or email parkrec@shrewsburyma.gov.

3. Please Note – Shrewsbury Public Library Events (New)

Hit the Bus Concert

On Tuesday, July 19th at 6:00 p.m., join Shrewsbury Parks & Recreation and the Shrewsbury Public Library at the Dean Park Bandstand (805 Main Street in Shrewsbury) for a concert by Hit the Bus. The band plays an eclectic mix of music ranging from the 50s through today's hits. Hit The Bus plays the music people want to hear, dance, and party to! Rain Date: Thursday, July 21st. Sponsored by Shrewsbury Parks & Recreation and the Friends of Shrewsbury Library. No registration required.

Ukulele with Julie for adults

Want to try an instrument that's fun and easy to play? Join the Shrewsbury Public Library with Julie Stepanek on Thursday, July 21st at 7:00 p.m. as she shows the fundamentals of ukulele playing. You'll learn how to tune, strum, and read chords. After a short lesson, you'll be able to play songs! No experience necessary. Bring your own ukulele or borrow one of hers. Sponsored by the Friends of the Shrewsbury Public Library. This program will take place at the library; please register to attend [here](#).

Lori Diamond & Fred Abatelli Summer Concert

On Tuesday, July 26 at 6:00 p.m., join Shrewsbury Parks & Recreation and the Shrewsbury Public Library at the Dean Park Bandstand (805 Main Street, Shrewsbury) for a concert by award-winning Northboro musicians, Lori Diamond and Fred Abatelli, with their favorite special guest, Anelise! Lori and Fred will deliver their memorable, soul-stirring originals, along with a vast array of your favorite songs from the 60s–90s. Anelise is perhaps best known for her "Quarantine Sessions" on social media. With a fresh, joyous approach, she provides musical nostalgia like nobody else. Bring your chairs, blankets and expectations for a wonderful family-friendly time. You'll definitely find yourself singing along with this very special family trio as they celebrate inclusion and the joy of music! Rain date: Thursday, July 28th. Sponsored by Shrewsbury Parks & Recreation and the Friends of Shrewsbury Library.

Paul Newman: Star of Stage, Screen, and Salad Dressing

Join the Shrewsbury Public Library on Thursday, July 28th at 7:00 p.m. for this engaging program. Hollywood actor Paul Newman had an Academy Award, a happy marriage to Oscar-winning Joanne Woodward, Broadway success, and a set of blue eyes that could melt the most cynical moviegoer. As the star of such classics as Cool Hand Luke, Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid, and The Sting, his status of screen icon is cemented in film history. But despite his success on the stage, screen, and race tracks, he was most passionate about his philanthropic work with gravely and terminally-ill children. Come hear about his life and career with film lecturer Frank Mandosa - there will be trailers, free handouts, and chances for movie-themed door prizes! Sponsored by the Friends of the Shrewsbury Public Library. This program will take place in person at the library; please register to attend [here](#).

4. Please Note – Volunteers Needed for Spirit of Shrewsbury

Spirit of Shrewsbury is looking for volunteers to help with this year's celebration. We will need approximately 50 volunteers on Saturday, September 24th from 7:00 to 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. We will also need volunteers on Sunday, September 25th to help with the parade route from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m (approximately 20 volunteers needed) and the senior tea from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. (approximately 6 volunteers needed).

Those who volunteer on September 24th will receive a free t-shirt, pizza, and a volunteer certificate. If you are interested in volunteering, please [click here](#) to sign up. Thank you for your help!

5. Please Note – Infant Formula Shortage Resources

The Central MA Regional Public Health Alliance (CMRPHA) in conjunction with several partners have developed a resource in English and Spanish for families during the formula shortage. It includes tips, guidance, and links for those seeking assistance. Please [click here](#) to view the resource.

If you are struggling to find formula, please contact the Worcester Family Resource Center of YOU Inc., an affiliate of Seven Hills Foundation, at (508) 796-1411 or 20 Cedar Street, Worcester MA 01609. They are collecting information on where local supplies are as they become available.

6. Please Note – SELCO Treasure Hunt & Raffle

"Electrify Everything" is a fun and educational summer activity for the whole family and sponsored by SELCO. Complete the treasure hunt and enter a drawing to win prizes. See more information [here](#).

7. Save the Date – Shrewsbury Council on Aging Event, September 22nd

Think ahead with the Shrewsbury Council on Aging Thursday, September 22nd at 6:00 p.m. Residents aged 50-150 are invited to learn about the resources available to them as they reach this new chapter of their life! Please see the [flier](#) for more information.

8. Please Note – “Summer Eats” Free Meals for Kids & Teens

Summer Eats is a totally free-of-charge program that provides free meals to all kids and teens, ages 18 and under, at locations all across Massachusetts during the summer months. Summer Eats livens up every kid's summer by filling their bellies and filling their days with activities that get them out, up, and moving.

Administered by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, Summer Eats sites across the state provide free meals to all kids and teens, no identification or registration required. Caregivers can rest easier knowing meals are off their hands, and use that time and energy to focus on everything else on their to-do list.

Find a Summer Eats meal site through [Project Bread](#) - check back frequently for new and updated site locations and meal service information.

Youth Athletics and Activities

1. Please Note – Shrewsbury Youth Soccer Fall Programs (New)

Registration is now open for the fall season for all Shrewsbury Youth Soccer age groups (pre-kindergarten through grade 12). Our travel games are currently scheduled to start on September 10th and our in-town games on September 19th, with practices starting 1-2 weeks before. Click [here](#) to register.

We have migrated our registration system to Sports Connect. Some important points for registration:

- If you do not currently have a Sports Connect account, you will have to create one and add each of the players you would like to register for the fall.
- You do not have to upload a birth certificate.
- If you are ordering a travel uniform, please be sure to select the corresponding fee buttons under Additional Registration Information.
- The Fan Wear Clothing Store that Sports Connect forces you into at the end of the registration process, much like an amusement park where you are dropped into the souvenir shop at the end of the ride, does not offer travel uniforms. Travel uniforms have to be selected at the top of the registration form.

Shrewsbury Youth Soccer is running additional “Tiny Tykes” weekend training sessions this fall for our younger players with coaches from Challenger Soccer. The 2-5 year old session is on Sundays at 4:00 p.m. and the 6-8 year old session is on Sundays at 5:00 p.m. These sessions are separate to our regular program and you can register [here](#).

2. Please Note – Shrewsbury Colonials AAU Baseball Program (New)

The Shrewsbury Colonials AAU baseball program is planning to hold tryouts for the 2023 season. Indoor training will begin mid-January into early April, incorporating a complete program with pitching and hitting instruction from qualified instructors. There will be double headers either Saturday or Sunday between early April into early June (12U) or early July (13-14U) for a 20-25 game schedule, including two tournaments. This allows the boys to play in a highly competitive environment with little to no interference with the town Little League baseball program. We are planning to hold tryouts for the teams, including 12U, 13U, & 14U.

The Colonials 2023 teams plan to hold tryouts on Saturday, July 30th with potential dates to follow. Players will be evaluated for available roster spots and notified of results shortly

thereafter. If interested, please fill out the contact form [here](#). A registration and waiver form will be sent to you with more information on the teams. If you have a conflict with the tryout date, we will schedule an additional day/time for a make-up session.

If you are interested in a 2023 team tryout or have any questions about the program, please contact Kevin Martin at mphco@verizon.net or Coaches Nick Martin at nmartind1@gmail.com and Casey Boudreau at casey.boudreau22@gmail.com.

3. Please Note – Football for You with Patriots Alumni

“Football for You” is a unique 2-hour, free non-contact clinic that stresses leadership, teamwork, and commitment to over 200 young athletes ages 9-14. Each clinic is coached by Patriots Alumni in conjunction with local high school staff. Returning this year for parents and guardians are three optional 15-minute information sessions that will address sportsmanship and nutrition education.

The clinic is coming to Shrewsbury at St. John’s High School on Wednesday, July 27th. Please see the [flier](#) for additional information about the clinic and visit the [website](#) for registration information.
