



Community Bulletin

August 8th, 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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Do you want to make a difference? Do you enjoy working with kids? Want to join an inspiring team of educational professionals? If so, please consider applying for an [Applied Behavioral Analysis Technician](#) or [Child Specific Classroom Assistant](#) position at Shrewsbury Public Schools. Please visit the SchoolSpring links for more information and to apply.

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

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!

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1. [Please Note](#) – Shrewsbury Public Library Events **(New)**

Solutions for Better Heart Health

On Wednesday, August 10th at 10:30 a.m., join the Shrewsbury Public Library and Jill Patterson, Registered Dietician Nutritionist, for this informative and interactive workshop on a heart-healthy lifestyle!

Heart disease is the number one leading cause of death in Americans. Participants will learn a total approach (eating well, staying active, and reducing stress) to improving their heart health. Education about managing cholesterol and blood pressure along with applicable and practical tips will be incorporated into this 60-minute presentation. There are many benefits of adopting a heart-healthy lifestyle: increased energy, decreased stress, improved cholesterol and blood pressure levels, and decreased risk of heart disease. A few simple tweaks can lead to big results!

Sponsored by the Friends of the Shrewsbury Public Library. This program will take place virtually on Zoom; please register to attend [here](#).

Healthy Garden Recipes

Fresh is best! Join the Shrewsbury Public Library on Thursday, August 18th at 7:00 p.m. to learn to prepare healthy meals with the ingredients from your backyard garden. Presented by Kate Donovan of Blackstone Valley Veggie Gardens; sponsored by the Friends of the Shrewsbury Public Library. This program will take place in person at the library; please register to attend [here](#).

2. Please Note – Shrewsbury Parks & Recreation Fall Program Offerings (New)

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

Youth Basketball League - Registration starting in September (TBA). Leagues by grade: Boys 3rd & 4th, Girls 3rd & 4th, Boys 5th & 6th, Girls 5th & 6th, Boys 7th & 8th, Girls 7th-9th, and Boy's 9th-12th.

Junior Golf - Starting Tuesday, September 13th.

Youth Tennis - Starting the week of September 12th.

Crew Rowing - Grades 7th and 8th, starting the week of August 29th.

Visit our website! shrewsburyma.myrec.com Create a new account if you have not done so within the past year.

3. Save the Date – “Bad Guys” Movie Night in the Park, September 17th (New)

Come to the Dean Park Bandstand on Saturday, September 17th for a viewing of "Bad Guys" - a great new kids movie for the entire family! Fresh popcorn will be made on site. The movie begins at 7:15 p.m. Bring a blanket or a lawn chair and enjoy the movie with family and friends! This event is sponsored by SELCO and Shrewsbury Parks & Recreation.

4. Please Note – Shrewsbury to Refresh Website and Release a Mobile App (New)

The Town of Shrewsbury is preparing to refresh the town website - shrewsburyma.gov. The new structure is designed to be easier to navigate and provide us with a platform that we can grow into as new content becomes available over time. In addition to this desktop website update, we will also be rolling out a mobile app created to provide residents and community members more accessibility to popular items while on the go!

During the relaunch, you will find some of the newer content pages "under construction" as we build out that content in a phased approach.

Rest assured, throughout this process we will be soliciting your feedback. If you would like any further information on this topic, please contact tgalusha@shrewsburyma.gov or call the Office of the Town Manager at (508) 841-8508.

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

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

- Mondays, August [8th](#), [15th](#), [22nd](#) - Rubik's Cube Club - 3:00 p.m. in Meeting Room B. All ages. Registration required.
- Tuesday, [August 9th](#); Thursday, [August 18th](#); Wednesday, [August 24th](#) - Walk and Talk Book Club - 9:30 a.m. at Dean Park, Prospect Park, and Lake Street Park. Grades 5-12. Registration required.
- Monday, August 8th-Saturday, August 27th - Teen Adventure Walk - all day at Lake Street Park. Grades 5-12. No registration necessary.
- Wednesday, August 10th - Escape from the Haunted Library - [10:00 a.m.](#) and [3:00 p.m.](#) in Meeting Room B. Grades 5-12. Registration required.
- Thursday, August 11th - Escape from the Haunted Library - [12:00 p.m.](#) and [3:00 p.m.](#) in Meeting Room B. Grades 5-12. Registration required.
- Friday, August 12th - Escape from the Haunted Library - [10:00 a.m.](#) and [3:00 p.m.](#) in Meeting Room B. Grades 5-12. Registration required.
- Tuesday, August 16th - Teen Take & Make: Celebrate Dogs - 9:00 a.m. in the Teen Room. Grades 5-12. No registration necessary - grab a kit to take home.
- Monday, [August 22nd](#) - Upcycle Your Cloth Masks - 2:00 p.m. in Meeting Room A. Grades 5-12. Registration required.

- Tuesday, [August 23rd](#) - Sustainability Town Hall with Senator Moore - 7:00 p.m. in Meeting Room A. All ages. Registration required.
- Friday, August 26th - Flower Smash Art - 3:00 p.m. in Meeting Room A. Grades 5-12. No registration necessary.

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

6. Please Note – Spirit of Shrewsbury Event Details & Volunteers Needed

The Spirit of Shrewsbury Fall Festival will take place on Saturday, September 24th at Oak Middle School. There will be many different activities for everyone - craft shows, exhibitions, costume competitions, activities for kids, Shrewsbury Got Talent competition, food vendors, and more. A parade will be held on Sunday, September 25th. More details to follow soon!

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 or email Shyla Ram at shyla.ram09@gmail.com. Thank you for your help!

Youth Athletics and Activities

1. Please Note – Shrewsbury Colonials AAU 12U Baseball Team (New)

The Shrewsbury Colonials AAU baseball program is planning to hold the second 12U tryout for the 2023 season. Indoor training will begin in 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, 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 final tryouts for the 2023 12U team on Saturday, August 13th at 9:00 a.m. at the upper Dean Park Baseball Field. 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.

2. Please Note – Shrewsbury Little League Fall Softball Registration

Now open for a limited time - registration is open for the fall 2022 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 September 11th through October 23rd. Practices and games are on Saturdays and Sundays. A five week clinic is included in your registration price. Non-Shrewsbury players are welcome if your town does not offer a fall program. If you have any questions, please email us at shrewsburygsb@gmail.com.

3. Please Note – Shrewsbury Youth Soccer Fall Programs

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](#).
