



Community Bulletin

May 31st, 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](#).

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School District Items

1. Please Note – Kindergarten Summer Fun Program (New)

The Summer Fun Program is a great way to prepare your child for the start of kindergarten. Students will become familiar with their school building and experience the routines of a typical day in a kindergarten class. They will leave feeling more confident and ready for the first day of school! All preschool students who will be starting kindergarten at Shrewsbury Public Schools in the fall of 2022 are eligible to register. The program will run in each of the five elementary schools, so please register for the location where your child will be attending kindergarten.

Deadline to register: June 17th

Cost: \$100 - Financial aid is available

Dates: Monday, August 15th through Thursday, August 18th

Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Visit our [website](#) for more information on how to register. Please contact Karen Isaacson, Director of Extended Learning, at kisaacson@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us with any questions. Please note that each class is taught by one of the kindergarten teachers at Shrewsbury Public Schools, but it may not be your child's specific teacher or classroom.

2. Save the Date – SHS Athletics Boosters Leo M. Murray Jr. Golf Classic, June 24th (New)

We are pleased to announce that the annual SHS Athletic Boosters Leo M. Murray Jr. Golf Classic will be held on Friday, June 24th at Juniper Hill Golf Course in Northborough. The money raised from this event will be used to support the needs of all our athletic teams, along with funding two scholarships for graduating seniors. We have sold out early over the past several years, so we encourage you to register quickly.

The cost of the tournament remains \$150 per player, which includes green fees, cart, tournament gift, dinner buffet, and a chance to win a luxury car. You will also be able to buy in to fun tournament contests. Your registration is confirmed upon receipt of electronic payment. Please register at <http://birdeasepro.com/SHSBoosters>. This site will also be used for sponsorship opportunities as well. If it is of interest to you or your business, please take a look. We look forward to you joining us again this year for another exciting day of golf! Thank you in advance for your anticipated support!

3. Save the Date – SHS Athletic Boosters Annual Mattress Fundraiser Sale, June 4th

Need a new mattress? According to a leading research journal for the mattress and furniture business, 1 in 10 people buy a mattress every single year. If this is you in 2022, we have the

perfect solution! Purchase the new mattress you need while at the same time supporting the student athletes of Shrewsbury High School and Oak Middle School. Our 2nd Annual SHS Athletic Boosters Mattress Fundraiser is being held in the Fieldhouse at Shrewsbury High School on Saturday, June 4th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. See the [flyer](#) for additional details. Thank you in advance for your anticipated support!

Community Items

1. Please Note – Shrewsbury Youth Development Focus Groups (New)

The Central Massachusetts Regional Public Health Alliance (CMRPHA) is a coalition of five municipalities, including the Town of Shrewsbury, working cooperatively to create and sustain a viable and labor-efficient regional public health district. CMRPHA is currently completing an assessment under the Massachusetts Collaborative for Action, Leadership, and Learning 3 (MassCall3) grant, which is funded by the Massachusetts Department of Health and focuses on using evidence-based strategies to prevent and delay first use of alcohol, tobacco, and marijuana. These funds will support prevention work in Worcester, Shrewsbury, Grafton, and Millbury for the next three years.

As part of the grant's assessment process, CMRPHA has administered a regional youth health survey in each town to examine risky and positive behaviors. They are now starting the next phase of the assessment process, which is conducting focus groups and one-on-one interviews in early June with students in grades 5-12 as well as parents/caregivers.

If you are interested in your child participating in a virtual focus group or one-on-one interview, or if you would like to join the parent/caregiver focus group, you may [click here](#) to register. Please [click here to see the flier](#) for additional information and [click here to view the required consent form](#).

2. Save the Date – Kids' Equipment Day, June 4th (New)

Kids' Equipment Day is Saturday, June 4th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Municipal Highway Garage. Kids of all ages can come see the town's big trucks up close. New this year will be a "Name a Snow Plow" contest and equipment demonstrations. Residents are also asked to help "Stuff a Public Works Truck" with condiments or paper goods which will be donated to St. Anne's Human Services (items can be ketchup, mustard, relish, paper towels, toilet paper, paper plates, etc.). The event is sponsored by the Department of Public Works. For more information, please email parkrec@shrewsburyma.gov.

3. Please Note – Shrewsbury Farmers Market (New)

The Shrewsbury Farmers Market will begin on June 15th and will run every Wednesday through September 21st from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. The market will be located at 98 Maple Avenue in the Senior Center parking lot and will feature over 25 vendors selling vegetables, fruits, baked goods, honey, jams, meats, eggs, soap, sauces, spreads, crafts, and more. WIC and SNAP are accepted by farm vendors and kids activities are back this year.

It takes a village to put on a farmers market and we need the help of volunteers. Many people in the past have used their volunteer experience with the farmers market on job or college applications. Please use the [Sign-Up Genius](#) if you are interested in volunteering. If you have any questions, please contact Missy at melisahollenback@hotmail.com.

4. Please Note – Shrewsbury Parks & Recreation Offerings (New)

Online Registration - Currently accepting registration for programs listed. Pre-registration is required for all of the parks & recreation programs. Space is limited.

Youth Archery Sessions - Thursdays for grades 3rd-5th starting June 2nd from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Cost is \$145.

Teen Archery Sessions - Thursdays for grades 6th and up starting June 2nd from 5:40 to 6:40 p.m. Cost is \$145.

Youth Flag Football - Wednesday evenings starting June 22nd at Sherwood Middle School field. Cost is \$65.

Youth Summer Tennis Sessions - Visit our website for fees, times, dates and schedules. Classes start the week of June 20th.

Youth Summer Basketball League - Tuesday evenings starting June 21st at Shrewsbury High School Gymnasium. Cost is \$74.

Children's Conversation Skills Workshop - Grades 2nd-7th on June 28th from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. at Dean Park South Pavilion. Cost is \$45.

Home Safety - Ages 9 and up on June 4th from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Dean Park South Pavilion. Cost is \$37.

Youth Cricket - Grades 1st-6th on June 23rd from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Municipal Field. Cost is \$60.

Adult Summer Tennis Sessions - Visit our website for fees, times, dates and schedules.

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

5. Please Note – Shrewsbury Parks & Recreation Crew Rowing (New)

Crew Rowing (Learn to Row) - For grades 8th-12th, four days each session. There are four sessions offered during the weeks of 6/21-6/24 and 7/18-7/22 . Choose between the 8:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. class. This program is being offered through a partnership with the Regatta Point Community Sailing and Parks & Recreation! Cost is \$225. Currently accepting registrations.

6. Please Note – Shrewsbury Parks & Recreation Summer Playground

We are currently accepting registration for all 6 weeks of Summer Playground this summer, starting on June 27th. Parents have weekly options and AM/PM add-ons to each week! Please make sure you have an active account in our new system. Click [here](#) for our website. Contact us with any issues at parkrec@shrewsburyma.gov.

7. Please Note – Shrewsbury Youth and Family Services Summer Programming

LeadHERship Camp

Welcome to LeadHERship Camp (formerly You Go, Girl), one of Shrewsbury Youth and Family Services' most popular programs. This program focuses on the concerns, hopes, dreams, and goals of 4th grade girls by discussing the important changes they are experiencing during this critical time in their lives. They will learn how to strengthen their self-confidence, manage emotions, and communicate better with friends and family members. There will be plenty of practice in decision making and problem solving, too! They will learn how being healthy will help them become the person they are meant to be. We have included ways to stay drug-free and help others stay drug-free. Finally, they will practice setting goals and thinking about ways to make the most of themselves! This program will be held Monday-Thursday at the First Congregational Church. Click [here](#) to register.

Session 1: June 27 - June 30

Session 2: July 11 - July 14

Cost: \$150 per session

Classes run from 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Harry Potter and the Enchanters Camp

Welcome to Harry Potter and the Enchanters Camp, a program for kids who want to learn about mental health and have a love for the Harry Potter series written by J.K. Rowling. Throughout the Harry Potter books and movie series, the main character Harry Potter expresses negative emotions and identifies tools along the way to help him manage those feelings. This program will allow children to learn about mental health, identify tools and coping skills to help manage fears and worries, challenge negative thoughts and identify positive thinking, and explore hopes and dreams for the future. The program will also include fun activities such as sorting kids in their own Hogwarts house, creating wands, and participating in team building exercises. This program will run Monday-Thursday at the First Congregational Church and welcomes children ages 9-11. Click [here](#) to register.

Session 1: July 11 - July 14

Session 2: July 18 - July 21

Cost: \$100 per session

Classes run from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Youth Athletics and Activities

1. Please Note – Shrewsbury Little League Summer Softball (New)

Pick-Up Softball League

Calling all middle school and high school softball players! Want to play some pick-up softball under the lights? Join the new Shrewsbury Pick-Up League. Can't commit to a whole season? Come when you want. Games will rotate on weeknights and there will be some Sunday night games. Bring a friend or a whole team! Eat pizza and play some pick-up softball (teams will be picked evenly before each game and players rotate during the game to play every position). Registration is required and will open on June 5th at <https://shrewsburylittleleaguema.com>.

Summer Softball Registration - ONE WEEK ONLY!

Who: Girls of any skill level interested in playing summer softball.

Ages: Open to ages 4 (by January 1, 2022) and up.

When: The program begins June 20th and runs through July 31st.

Registration is open now through June 5th. Register at <https://shrewsburylittleleaguema.com> or email shrewsburygsb@gmail.com.

2. Please Note – Central Mass Cross Country Clinics (New)

In its sixth consecutive year, the Central Mass Cross Country Clinics provides young aspiring harriers in the central mass community the opportunity to train in a group setting, learn from collegiate coaches, and hear from guest speakers including Olympic athletes and professional

coaches. The clinics begin on July 17th and operate bi-weekly through August 17th. The clinics are open to any and all boys and girls ages 12-18. Limited spots are available on a first come, first serve basis. More information and registration can be found at www.cmassxcc.com.

3. Please Note – “Take Charge Hoops” Summer Basketball Clinic

The Shrewsbury High School Boys Varsity Basketball Coaches, Adrian Machado and Gerry Nowosacki, will be sponsoring a 4-day summer basketball clinic. The focus will be on individual skills through the use of time-oriented drill stations. The clinic will be conducted using groups based on grade level and gender where appropriate. Coaches Machado and Nowosacki will coordinate all activities with the support and assistance of College players and Area High School Coaches who will demonstrate and provide instruction.

This program is for boys and girls in grades 3rd through 8th and will take place from July 11th through July 14th, 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Shrewsbury High School. The cost for the program is \$150 per student. Please [click here](#) for the registration form.

4. Please Note – Shrewsbury Little League “Buddy Volunteers”

The Shrewsbury Little League Challenger Baseball team is looking for Buddy Volunteers. This is an adaptive baseball program for individuals with physical and intellectual challenges that rely on Buddy Volunteers. The role of a Buddy is to assist the Challenger players in the areas of batting, base running, catching, and throwing as needed during practices and the games to assure their safety.

Requirements for Buddies:

- Buddy volunteers should be grades 8 or above
- Buddy volunteers are needed for this program at a 1:1 ratio
- We ask that buddies commit to coming to each practice and game
- We rely heavily on email for communication for this program
- Volunteers must possess a lot of patience
- No prior experience is necessary

Practices are on Tuesdays from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on the Upper Dean Softball Field. Games are on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. either in Shrewsbury, Northborough, Westborough, or Grafton. If you are interested or know someone who would be interested in volunteering, please get in touch with Chip Collins at shrewsburychallenger@gmail.com.

5. Please Note – Shrewsbury Volleyball Clinic

The Shrewsbury High School Volleyball team invites all middle school girls going into grades 5th through 9th to join them in learning and playing volleyball at a clinic on June 8th, 9th, and 10th. Come join the team in hitting, passing, and playing this great sport. All levels are welcome! Please print and complete the [application](#) and mail it with payment to Shannon Michalowski at 34 Edgewood Road, Shrewsbury, MA 01545. If you have any questions, please call (508) 320-0795 or email michalowskifamily@gmail.com.
