

North East Westchester Special Recreation 2021

Summer Programs For Group Homes and Apartment Residents

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**.... and over 100 highly dedicated,
qualified, and professional, part-time staff
and volunteers.**

North East Westchester Special Recreation, established in the early 1970's, is a community based therapeutic recreation agency serving children and adults with developmental disabilities in the north east portion of Westchester County. North East is the second largest agency of its kind in the State of New York and has gained local and state-wide attention for the quality and novelty of programs and services.

The Superintendents of Recreation of the following communities serve as the North East Board of Directors.

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North East Westchester Special Recreation is a non-profit agency. We receive funding from the New York State Office For People With Developmental Disabilities, town assessments, program fees and donations. Fund-raising activities allow us to expand upon our program options and offer programming to more individuals in need of services.



REGISTRATION:

Each participant in a North East program must have a current Participant Information Form on file. Participants presently enrolled in a North East program may register using the attached Program Registration Form.



Summer Dates:

June 19 - September 11, 2021

Registration for in-district residents begins immediately. Participants are enrolled in programs on a first-come, first-served basis. Many of our programs fill quickly so please register as soon as possible.

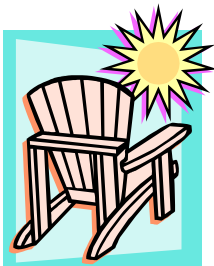
Registration for out-of-district residents begins on **June 9th**. You may send your registration to us prior to that date and we will hold it until the 10th. At that time, out-of-district residents will be accepted in the order the registrations were received by our office, as room permits.

TRANSPORTATION:

While North East is able to provide transportation for several programs, please consider car pooling and para-transit when possible.

CAR POOLING:

We will provide you with the names of co-participants in any program for which you plan to arrange car pooling. Parents wishing their name withheld from circulation must indicate this on the registration form.



LATE PICK-UPS:



North East staff have been instructed to wait with participants at pick up locations until parents/guardians arrive. When you are late it creates a problem as we have to pay staff for their time. For this reason, we will charge \$10 for every 15 minutes you are late in picking up.

PARA-TRANSIT:

Para-transit is public, curb to curb, transportation alternative for adults and young adults with differing abilities. Para-transit does provide services to and from recreation programs. Para-transit is especially available for recreation in the evenings and on weekends. Contact the Office for the Disabled at 995-2957.

INTAKE PROCESS:

Persons applying to a North East Program for the FIRST TIME must go through our INITIAL INTAKE PROCESS. This includes completion of a Participant Information Form and a personal consultation with one of our full time staff to examine and plan for the program needs of the applicant and his/her family.

At least every three years thereafter, consultations may be arranged to review the needs and interests of each participant and their family. However, additional consultations may be promptly scheduled when a specific concern or difficulty has been identified.

We are continually assessing our programs and our participants needs. We reserve the right to change and/or recommend placement as we deem appropriate. We will discuss this with those involved however the final decision will be made by North East.





INCLUSION:

We would like to support your son/daughter's interest in participating in your local community recreation department program. We will be available to: assess the appropriateness of an intended placement in a program, visit the participant at the program to ensure continued success, or consider providing a staff member to attend the program with the participant for a limited time.

FEES:

A moderate fee structure exists for most programs. These fees are a small percent of our actual program costs. All program fees must be paid in full with the enclosed registration form unless you have been approved for a payment plan. When necessary, payment schedules may be arranged, and partial scholarships are available on a limited basis to those participants in the North East district. If you are interested in applying for a scholarship or payment plan, please call our office immediately to request the necessary paperwork.

Nut Free Environment:

Peanut butter sandwiches and other nut products **should not be sent to our programs.**

We have a number of participants who are *extremely* allergic to these foods and we are interested in their safety. Since we cannot regulate the outside world, if your son/daughter is expected to be in the community and has this allergy, please send their epiPen.



RETURNED CHECKS:

Unfortunately we will have to charge you \$20.00 for any checks returned to us for insufficient funds. This is the fee we incur from the bank for this error.

CANCELLATION POLICY:

If a program needs to be cancelled, normally due to poor weather conditions, an announcement will be made on WHUD 100.7 radio and on their website www.whud.com. You may also access this information by calling our office. If a cancellation must be made at the "last minute", we will attempt to call all program participants. If a program is cancelled, we will attempt to reschedule it if possible.

REFUND POLICY:

Cash refunds will be issued when:

- * A program is cancelled before it begins due to insufficient enrollment.
- * A participant is on a waiting list.
- * Medical reasons cause the participant to stop attending the program. A physician's note is requested to verify the illness.
- * In the event that the participant attended the program prior to requesting a refund due to medical reasons, a prorated portion of the program fee will be refunded.



Important Information for North East Participants

North East Office Hours:

Monday-Friday - 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Program Staff Schedule:

Tuesday-Saturday

(times vary according to program responsibilities)



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Please note that current program information and directions are available on our website.

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WONDERFUL WEEKLY PROGRAMS

Monday



Nite Life Leisure

Code: 519

Leonard Park Pool, Mt. Kisco

Mondays, June 28, July 12, 19, 26, August 2, 9

Time: 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Fee: \$75

Summer time fun in the Park!

We will enjoy spending time in Leonard Park's beautiful pool, then on to some fun activities: arts and crafts, music, nature, games, sports and more.

The program will be held rain or shine. We will bring our activities inside at this site in the event of rain.



Tuesday



Bowling

Code: 302

Jefferson Valley Lanes

Tuesdays, June 29, July 6, 13, 20, 27, August 3

Time: 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Fee: \$175

Transportation Fee: \$70

Bowling is a great way to get out of the heat and spend time with your friends! A record of each bowlers weekly progress will be maintained and averages will be distributed at the end of the session. This program is a great way to socialize with friends, have fun, and improve your bowling skills.

Transportation Arrangements:

Mt. Kisco Boys & Girls Club

Pick-up 3:00 pm, Return at 6:00 p.m.

WARC Workshop Pick-up 3:00 p.m.

Bradhurst pick-up 2:15 pm

Camp St. Theresa (Briarcliff Manor) pick-up 2:45 pm

Return: Bradhurst 6:00pm

Space is limited for transportation. If you are interested, please fill out the registration indicating your transportation preference.





Wednesday

Concerts and Pizza in the Park

New Castle Recreation Field **Code: 520**

Concerts begin at 7:00 PM

We will have pizza before the concerts.



We have not yet received information for the upcoming concerts. Hopefully they will take place. If they do not happen, we will have our own music nights, We can listen to music, dance and do some karaoke. Either way we will have fun with our friends,

July 7 **Fee: \$25**

July 14 **Fee: \$25**

July 21 **Fee: \$25**

July 28 **Fee: \$25**

All concerts will be held at the New Castle Recreation Field. The rain location will be determined.

Transportation

Stop & Shop

Pick- up 6:00 p.m., Return 9:00 p.m.

Bradhurst

Pick-up 5:30 p.m., Return 9:00 p.m.

We will bring the pizza and soda, you bring a blanket or lawn chair. We'll sit under the summer sky and enjoy some great entertainment, good food and good friends.



Thursday

Team Softball Code: 521

Katonah Memorial Park

Thursday June 17, Wednesday June 23

Thursdays: July 1 , 8, 15, 22, 29

Time: 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Program Fee: \$90.00

Transportation Fee: \$90.00



Transportation available from:

Bradhurst at 5:30 p.m., Return at 8:45 p.m.

Shop & Shop at 6:00 p.m., Return 8:20 p.m.

In case of inclement weather, program will be cancelled.

Come join the North East Knights Softball Team!

Experience the benefits of team work, skill development and camaraderie. We will start with warm ups, move on to sport drills, and finish every practice with a team scrimmage. All skill levels welcome! **You should have your own softball glove.**

Equipment is available. You must wear sneakers and comfortable clothes. No shoes please!

Rules and teamwork will be reinforced as well as socialization with other players and coaches.

***Please bring water!**





SUMMER OUTINGS

Code: 512

Join us for a number of exciting Summer Outings! Transportation is provided from the Mt. Kisco Stop & Shop and Bradhurst Community Center. Registered participants must call the office the week of the trip for pick-up and drop-off times as well as further trip details.

Quassy Amusement Park

Middlebury Ct.

Saturday, June 19

Fee: \$60

Quassy here we come!! Get ready for a fun filled day at Quassy Amusement Park. We will enjoy the rides, games and of course the amusement park food and entertainment!! Sure to be a great day!



Rhinebeck Aerodrome

Rhinebeck NY

Saturday, July 10

Fee: \$60

Join us on our visit to America's first museum of flying antique and replica planes!! We will visit the museum which houses over 60 aircraft from the first days of flight! There will even be an airshow of the golden age of flight!!!!.



Canoe Trip

Avon, CT

Saturday, July 24

Fee: \$65

It is a perfect Summer fun adventure. Time to float down the calm, Farmington River! Bring your picnic lunch, wear your bathing suit and sneakers that can get wet. You will need to paddle and participate on this trip. Lifejackets are provided.

The river is only waist deep.



Katonah Picnic

Katonah Memorial Park

Saturday, August 7

Fee: \$55

An all time summer favorite! A good old fashion cook-out with friends. There will be plenty to do: games, arts and crafts, water balloons, swimming and of course some great food.

Rain location: Bedford Hills Community House.



An Adventure Day!

Somers , NY

Saturday, August 21

Fee: \$55

There are so many wonderful things to see and do right here in our own backyard. So, our adventure begins at Lasdon Park. Did you know they have a dinosaur there? Then we are off to Muscoot Farm for a picnic and visit some animals. Last but not least: Ice cream at King Kone!!



Renegades Baseball Game

Fishkill, NY

Fee: \$60

Wednesday, Sept 8

Catch all the excitement and help us root for the Renegades as they take on the Brooklyn Cyclones. There is lots of fun and games at the stadium. 7:05 pm game time.



Marine Life Study Cruise

Maritime Aquarium Norwalk Ct.

Saturday, September 11

Fee: \$65

Are you interested in what lives in the Long Island Sound? Well here's your chance to get up close and personal with the marine life in the sound! Join us aboard a real life research vessel. Its sure to be educational, fun and exciting!!!



VACATION WEEK



Frost Valley

Code: 517

Participants: 16 and older (limited space)

Dates: Sunday, August 22nd through
Friday, August 27th

Fee: \$750

(Includes: transportation, three meals per day, snacks, lodging and all activities)

This trip has become a North East tradition!

Frost Valley is a beautiful YMCA camp located in the Catskill Mountains. This six day trip is packed with enjoyable activities such as: hiking, boating, swimming, cycling, archery, group sports, arts and crafts, hayrides, a talent show, dancing, campfires, storytelling, sing-a-longs, the cable bridge, a ropes adventure course and a visit to the planetarium. Challenging and exciting! The camp also provides nursing and medical services.

A "bring along" checklist and additional information will be mailed to you upon receipt of your registration form and payment.

If necessary, a lottery system may be put into effect. You will be contacted regarding your trip registration.

*** Previous overnight experience with North East is required for this trip.**



CHAMPIONS FOR NORTH EAST!

A fundraising campaign to support our programs.
Your generosity helps us to give memorable
experiences, opportunities of discovery and
lasting friendships.

There are three levels of donations:



GOLD MEDAL WINNERS

\$2,000 + You have Hearts of Gold!



SILVER MEDAL WINNERS

\$600 - \$1,999 You are Shining Stars!



BRONZE MEDAL WINNERS

\$200 - \$599 You give us Strength!

*Please make checks payable to
North East Westchester Special Recreation.*

Your donation is fully tax deductible to the
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