

**Resident
Registration Begins
Sun., Nov. 20**

**Non-Resident
Registration Begins
Sun., Nov. 27**

A Note to Parents...

We're happy your kids love to participate in Joliet Park District programs, but out of fairness and safety for all, **only children registered for a program may participate.** Adult and child program fees are for one adult and one child. For your convenience a nursery is available for siblings.

Nothing Kills a Good Program Quicker...

Than everyone waiting until the last minute to register. If there are not registrants, the program is cancelled, and coming in the day of the program won't save it! **So please register early to keep the program alive!**

Age Limits and Why

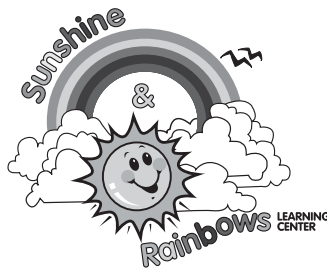
In order to provide your child with the best possible recreational and learning experience, all of our programs are planned according to the ages listed in our brochure. Our instructors are sensitive to the needs of the individual age levels. Children must be the age listed in the brochure for each program by the date the program begins, unless otherwise specified. Birth certificates may be requested at any time by instructors to verify age.

Inclusion

The Joliet Park District supports the rights of people with special needs to participate in any program. An adult or child must adhere to the guidelines of that particular program. The Joliet Park District believes that all members of the community are entitled to have equal leisure opportunities. For information on the inclusion process, please contact Katie Dillon or Kathy Green in Special Recreation of Joliet and Channahon (SRIC) office, 815-741-7275 ext. 175 or 169. Any accommodations and expectations will be discussed prior to the start of a program.

A Day in the Class...

- **Children arrive at Sunshine and Rainbows Play Center**
- **Together Time:** Welcome Song, Language, Show & Tell, Instruction for the Day
- **Free Play/Creative Art:** Creative art materials are available for children's use.
- **Clean-up:** Children share the responsibility of putting the toys and materials back in their proper places.
- **Story Time • Computers • Little Chef**
- **Music • Physical Education**
- **Circle Time:** Concepts, Finger Plays, Games, Songs.



*The
Right Preschool
for all the Right
Reasons!*

Early Learning Welcome to the Sunshine and Rainbows Learning Center!

The Sunshine and Rainbows Learning Center is an extension of early learners of the Joliet Park District. The preschool program has been in existence for over 30 years and started as a one classroom play program in the old Inwood Recreation building above the swimming locker rooms.

Today the Learning Center has openings for students in 12 different classrooms that attend either a 2-day, 3-day or 5-day program in the morning, afternoon, or evening in the Multi-Purpose Building.

The Early Childhood Classroom

The Sunshine and Rainbows Learning Center follows the Illinois Early Childhood Standards and Benchmarks. We teach children holistically and as individuals in a caring environment. In the classroom many different opportunities for learning are provided using center based exploration, sensory tubs, developmentally appropriate literacy and math lessons, props, and manipulatives.

In addition each classroom has physical education and music instruction. Our Learning Center uses the "Handwriting Without Tears" method for teaching pre-writing and printing skills. Computer time is also available that helps reinforce colors, shapes, patterns, and letter recognition through the use of the mouse and keyboard.

Family Involvement & Community Events

We also include the family in many events. We have music presentations in Fall, Winter and in February. Both the 3's and 4's, according to the Early Learning Standards, may perform at Joliet Bicentennial Indoor Small Theater. Kris Kringle, Science Fair, Family Picnic, Grandparents Dance, Mother's



Market Day®

Don't Miss Out on Your Favorite Foods from Market Day!

- January 6
- February 5
- March 2
- April 6
- May 4

All proceeds from this fundraiser will provide a field trip to Brookfield Zoo for our Early Childhood Learning Center and youth programs. Everyone is welcome to participate!

Market Day Account is #25845

Link on to the Market Day site
from www.jolietpark.org

Inquiries can be directed to Karen Cooper
at 815-741-7275, ext. 129 or
kcooper@jolietpark.org

Day Tea, Family Dance, and Bicycle Rodeo are just a few of the events held during the school year. We also do community outreach programs to help teach caring, sharing and giving. We collect mittens and hats for the Will County Homeless Shelter. Animal food, paper products, and cleaning supplies are collected for the Will County Animal Shelter.

After School Enrichment Programs

We also extended our program to include kindergarten – 4th grade students in our After School Enrichment program. Students from Troy schools are transported from their home schools to the Joliet Park District after their school day.

Flying Solo Learning Program

For the child who misses the September 1st birth date from entering Illinois Elementary schools, we offer the Flying Solo Learning program that allows children, who turn 3 years old after September 1st, who are ready to begin a preschool program, to attend an extended program available during the day and evening hours. We also have available Meeting the Challenge, an opportunity for children to attend a preschool program but for 1 day only and in a mixed age group setting.

Summer Learning

The learning does not stop in May! We offer the following enrichment learning opportunities for preschooler and kindergarten aged children:

- **Camp Starfish**
- **Fabulous Fridays**
- **Summer Puddle Jumpers**
- **Kinder Camp. Extended hours are available to meet the needs of working parents.**
- **Summer Plus One**

Registration will begin in December for the 2012 summer session. Registration is open to Joliet residents and non-residents. Questions may be directed to Karen Cooper at 815-741-7275 ext. 129 or at kcooper@jolietpark.org.

Early Learning

Multi-Purpose Center

3000 W. Jefferson St.

★ Kindergarten Star Connection 2012-2013 School Year

Kindergarten is an important time for your child. The Joliet Park District is pleased to offer an all day educational and recreational-based Kindergarten program taught by certified teachers. Your child will be exposed to math, science, social studies, reading and art. This program follows the Illinois Early Childhood Standards and Benchmarks. The all day program is developmentally appropriate and offers an exciting curriculum by McMillian/McGraw.

Age: 5-6 years by Sept. 1, 2012 **Deadline:** 12/30/12
Multi-Purpose Center (Room 5)
 3-1000-13 Mon-Fri 8/27/12-5/24/13 8:45 am-3 pm
 \$255/month

Preschool Orientation for Parents

Parents, you are invited to attend these Sunday afternoon Parent Orientation sessions to meet the classroom teachers and receive information about the Early Learning Center policies and other program procedures. **Please note: Parent Orientation is planned for adults only. Please do not bring your preschooler or siblings to this session.**

Sun., August 26 1-1:50pm <i>Mon/Wed/Fri AM classes</i>	Sun., August 26 3-3:50pm <i>Tues/Thurs AM classes</i>
Sun., August 26 2-2:50pm <i>Mon/Wed/Fri PM classes</i>	Sun., August 26 4-4:50pm <i>Tues/Thurs PM classes</i>
<i>Mon/Tues/Wed PM classes</i>	<i>Mon-Fri AM classes</i>

Joliet Park District Recreation & Enrichment Program



Welcome to the Joliet Park District Recreation and Enrichment Program, a place where children can be active, be with friends, have good experiences, be independent, learn new things, and have a great time in a supervised and safe environment. Our program includes sports, arts and crafts, games, reading, storytelling, music, videos, and study time. If you have any questions or concerns, please call Karen Cooper, Recreation Coordinator at 815-741-7275 ext. 129, or email at kcooper@jolietpark.org.

Program Philosophy: Troy Trojans and Kindergarten Star Connection are committed to providing a safe and nurturing environment for children who need learning activities before, during, and after school. The Joliet Park District structures the program to be relaxed and recreational to counter-balance the day's educational activities. The staff is sensitive and flexible in order to meet the needs of both children and parents. Special emphasis will be placed on tailoring the program to meet each child's energy level.

Sunshine & Rainbows & Kindergarten Star Connection Information Night for Interested Parents

Tuesday, January 10, 2012 • 6-7:30 pm

Registered Student's Parent Orientation:

Sun., August 26, 2012 • 3:30-4:30 pm

Are you interested in our Sunshine & Rainbows Learning Center Program and our Full Day Kindergarten Star Connection Program? Would you like to see what we have to offer at the Joliet Park District for your emergent learner? Here's your opportunity to visit our classroom and meet our competent staff. Our director and staff will be available to answer your questions.



Sunshine & Rainbows Early Learning Center

Multi-Purpose Center, 3000 W. Jefferson St. • 815-741-7275

Children must be the following ages as of September 1, 2012.

2012-2013 Registration

All in-person registration is completed at the Multi-Purpose Center, 3000 W. Jefferson St. Registration is taken on a first come first served basis.

At time of registration you will need (no exceptions):

- Proof of residency (current utility bill or RDC)
- Copy of County-recorded birth certificate
- Credit or debit card information for the automatic monthly electronic funds transfer, unless payment is made in full at the time of registration. An electronic funds transfer must be filled out. A \$25 fee will be charged for any declined cards.
- There will be a full month (non-refundable, non-transferable) deposit at the time of registration. This deposit will be applied to the Learning Center's fee.
- A \$25 Graduation fee for all 4 year old classes is required at registration

DAYS	CODE #	DATE	TIME	MONTHLY FEE
3 Year Old Classes				
3-1030-13	Mon/Wed/Fri	9/10/12-5/6/13	9:15-11:15 am	\$155/ \$145 (RDC)
3-1031-13	Mon/Wed/Fri	9/10/12-5/6/13	12:15-2:15 pm	\$155/ \$145 (RDC)
3-1032-13	Tues/Thurs	9/11/12-5/7/13	9:15-11:15 am	\$135/ \$125 (RDC)
3-1033-13	Tues/Thurs	9/11/12-5/7/13	9:15-11:15 am	\$135/ \$125 (RDC)
3-1034-13	Tues/Thurs	9/11/12-5/7/13	12:15-2:15 pm	\$135/ \$125 (RDC)
4 Year Old Classes				
3-1040-13	Mon/Wed/Fri	9/10/12-5/6/13	9:15-11:30 am	\$155/ \$145 (RDC)
3-1041-13	Mon/Wed/Fri	9/10/12-5/6/13	9:15-11:30 am	\$155/ \$145 (RDC)
3-1042-13	Mon/Wed/Fri	9/10/12-5/6/13	9:15-11:30 am	\$155/ \$145 (RDC)
3-1043-13	Mon/Wed/Fri	9/10/12-5/6/13	12:15-2:30 pm	\$155/ \$145 (RDC)
3-1045-13	Tues/Thurs	9/11/12-5/7/13	9:15-11:30 am	\$135/ \$125 (RDC)
3-1046-13	Tues/Thurs	9/11/12-5/7/13	12:15-2:30 pm	\$135/ \$125 (RDC)
3-1050-13	Mon-Fri	9/10/12-5/6/13	9:15-11:30 am	\$280/ \$255 (RDC)
3-1052-13	Mon/Tues/Wed	9/10/12-5/6/13	5-7:15 pm	\$155/ \$145 (RDC)



Early Learning

Multi-Purpose Center
3000 W. Jefferson St.



Brown Bag Learning Winter Session

This enrichment program is designed as a continuation of time directly before or after Sunshine & Rainbows Learning Center class. Each child is required to bring a brown bag lunch (lunch will not be provided). Activities will include: nature, science, arts, theater, math, and physical movement including tumbling. Your child will be escorted to the classroom. Child must be enrolled in Sunshine & Rainbows program and class follows the Learning Center calendar. You must register for the complete fall session. Students enrolled in Brown Bag Learning will be automatically enrolled in curbside pick-up. Staff will bring students out directly to car after the completion of enrichment program. Instructors: Learning Center Staff

Age: 3-5 yrs

Deadline: 2/8, 2/9

Multi-Purpose Center (East Gym)

5-1060-12	Mon/Wed/Fri	2/13-4/20	11:30 am-12:30 pm
5-1061-12	Tues/Thurs	2/14-4/19	11:15 am-12:15 pm

Sunshine & Rainbows Optional Curbside Student Drop-off & Pick-up

We are offering an optional curbside student drop-off and pick-up for an additional fee for the months of March and April. The cost will be \$10 month for a 2-day program, \$15 month for a 3-day program, \$20 month for a 5-day program. If you are interested in this optional program, please register and we will contact you for further details. The entire school will do student curbside drop-off and pick-up during the months of January and February at no additional charge. Instructors: Learning Center Staff

Age: 3-5 yrs

Deadline: 3/2, 3/28

MPC South Entrance

6-1090-12	Mon/Wed/Fri	3/7-3/30	9:15 am/12:30 pm	\$15
6-1091-12	Mon-Fri	3/6-3/30	9:15 am/12:30 pm	\$20
6-1092-12	Tues/Thurs	3/6-3/29	9:15 am/12:15 pm	\$10
6-1093-12	Mon/Wed/Fri	3/7-3/30	12:15 pm/2:30 pm	\$15
6-1094-12	Tues/Thurs	3/6-3/29	12:15 pm/2:30 pm	\$10
6-1095-12	Mon/Wed/Fri	4/11-4/20	9:15 am/12:30 pm	\$15
6-1096-12	Mon-Fri	4/10-4/20	9:15 am/12:30 pm	\$20
6-1097-12	Tues/Thurs	4/10-4/19	9:15 am/12:15 pm	\$10
6-1098-12	Mon/Wed/Fri	4/11-4/20	12:15 pm/2:30 pm	\$15
6-1099-12	Tues/Thurs	4/10-4/19	12:15 pm/2:30 pm	\$10

Sunshine & Rainbows NEW! Preschool Enrichment Extended Program

Every day is an adventure in learning. This enrichment program is designed as a continuation of time directly after Sunshine & Rainbows Learning Center class and a wonderful extension of our Learning Center Program. Your preschooler will join friends from their class and meet new friends from other preschool classes. The Enrichment Program will incorporate further learning and fun. Our caring and experienced staff will provide enjoyable activities your child will look forward to. Each child is required to bring a brown bag lunch (lunch will not be provided). Instructors: Learning Center Staff

Program Highlights:

- Counting, alphabet & handwriting practice
- Gymnastic/Tumbling instruction
- Swimming on Friday afternoons
- Daily fun in the indoor gym or at the outdoor playground
- Computers
- Storytime/Theater
- Group & individual playtime
- Quiet Time
- Arts & Crafts

Age: 3-5 yrs

Deadline: 1/6, 2/27

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 1)

5-1080-12	Mon/Wed/Fri	1/9-2/29	11:30 am-3:30 pm
5-1081-12	Tues/Thurs	1/10-3/1	11:15 am-3:30 pm
6-1080-12	Mon/Wed/Fri	3/7-4/20	11:30 am-3:30 pm
6-1081-12	Tues/Thurs	3/6-4/19	11:15 am-3:30 pm

Weeping Willows

Your child will be nurtured as he/she learns to cope with separation and is introduced to group interaction. Hands-on activities will allow him/her to learn while exploring. Gross-motor skills will be developed through indoor and outdoor activities. Children must be age 2 by the beginning of class. Children do NOT need to be potty trained to enter this class. Parent would be notified in case of "accident" during class that needs immediate attention. Instructed by: Nicole Croom & Gail Rohrer

Age: 2-3 yrs

Deadline: 1/3, 3/1, 4/12

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 4 North)

5-1015-12	Mon/Tues	1/9-2/14	12:30-2:30 pm
5-1016-12	Wed/Thurs	1/12-2/16	12:30-2:30 pm
6-1015-12	Mon/Tues	3/5-4/10	12:30-2:30 pm
6-1016-12	Wed/Thurs	3/7-4/12	12:30-2:30 pm
6-1017-12	Mon/Tues	4/16-5/22	12:30-2:30 pm
6-1018-12	Wed/Thurs	4/18-5/24	12:30-2:30 pm

Flying Solo

Did your child miss the September 1st preschool age requirement but seems ready for preschool? This class is designed with your bright child in mind. Class introduces individual and group learning. Art mediums, letters, numbers, and shapes are introduced through theme-based curriculum. This enriching class focuses on getting children accustomed to being away from parents in a warm, caring environment. Our ultimate goal is to overcome the tears, complete an art creation and teach class participation skills, but also focus on more preschool preparedness skills. Gym and music time is included. Dress child in play clothes. This is a two consecutive days a week Learning Center class that follows the National and Illinois Early Childhood Standards and Benchmarks. Each session has different learning themes. "Learning Curriculum" is used. Register early! Instructed by Jenni Rodriguez

Age: 3-5 yrs

Deadline: 1/4, 3/1, 4/12

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 6)

5-1020-12	Mon/Tues	1/9-2/14	9-11 am
5-1021-12	Mon/Tues	1/9-2/14	12:30-2:30 pm
6-1020-12	Mon/Tues	3/5-4/10	9-11 am
6-1021-12	Mon/Tues	3/5-4/10	12:30-2:30 pm
6-1022-12	Mon/Tues	4/16-5/22	9-11 am
6-1023-12	Mon/Tues	4/16-5/22	12:30-2:30 pm

\$170/\$160(RDC)



Learn
While Having
Fun!

little sprouts
 at Pilcher Park Nature Center
 early learning center

Research has found that children who spend more time in nature pay attention better, think more clearly, and are able to cope more effectively with stress. The new Little Sprouts program is dedicated to bringing children and nature together. We will offer the experiences typically found in child-centered learning centers; however, what is special about Little Sprouts, is that these experiences will be focused through daily interaction with nature, animals, and plant life.

The nature curriculum is based on seasonal changes. Topics reflect current events in the natural world and provide the basis for daily outdoor discovery plus:

- Creative arts
- Large & small motor skill development
- Math & manipulative activities
- Natural science exploration
- Construction play
- Language experiences

Little Sprouts is more appropriate for children whose families are looking for discovery-based learning rather than traditional lessons that are scheduled and confined by curriculum objectives. Natural themes and materials are incorporated throughout indoor and outdoor activities.

"Children who do not experience nature won't grow up to cherish or protect it."

Little Sprouts
Early Learning Center
 2011-2012 Registration

Our program operates on a nine-month annual tuition basis and is paid monthly. Classes begin September 10, 2012 and are limited to 15 students on a first-come, first-served basis.

Children ages 3-5 must be fully toilet trained. First and last month's tuition is due at time of registration. A county birth certificate is required at time of registration.

Age: 3-5 yrs

Pilcher Park Nature Center

3-1876-13 Mon/Wed/Fri 9/10/12-5/10/13 9:15-11:30 am
 \$150/\$135(RDC) monthly

3-1877-13 Tues/Thurs 9/11/12-5/9/13 9:15-11:30 am

3-1878-13 Mon/Wed 9/10/12-5/8/13 12:30-2:45 pm

3-1879-13 Tues/Thurs 9/11/12-5/9/13 12:30-2:45 pm

\$125/\$115(RDC) monthly

No Class: Major holidays, 2 week winter break, 1 week spring break

Meeting The Challenge

This class introduces individual and group learning. Art mediums, letters, numbers, and shapes are introduced. Dress child in play clothes. This is a one day a week Learning Center class that follows the National and Illinois Early Childhood Standards and Benchmarks. Gym and music are included in this multi-age class. Register early to secure a spot for your child. "Theme-Based Learning Curriculum" is used. Instructed by Jenni Rodriguez

Age: 3-5 yrs

Deadline: 1/4, 3/1

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 6)

5-1025-12	Wed	1/11-2/29	9-11 am
5-1026-12	Wed	1/11-2/29	12:15-2:15 pm
6-1025-12	Wed	3/7-4/25	9 am-2:15 pm
6-1026-12	Wed	3/7-4/25	12:15-2:15 pm

\$95/\$85(RDC)

Handwriting Without Tears™

Hand skills are critical for early childhood learning and are the basis for all manipulative activities including writing. In this fun program your child will develop legible and fluent handwriting with the use of manipulative materials, games, workbooks, and songs. All materials provided.

What we will work on:

- Fine motor control
- Letter spacing
- Letter and number recognition
- Using appropriate grasps
- Color and shape awareness
- Language proficiency
- Lower and upper case letters
- Finger strength and dexterity

Who would benefit: Children who demonstrate difficulties/delays with fine motor control, upper extremity weakness, poor grasp, letter formation, and line spacing. Children who fatigue easily while writing.

Age: 4-8 yrs

Deadline: 1/9, 3/5

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 3)

5-1800-12	Wed	1/11-2/22	11:30 am-12 pm
5-1801-12	Wed	1/11-2/22	4-4:30 pm
6-1800-12	Wed	3/7-4/25	11:30 am-12 pm
6-1801-12	Wed	3/7-4/25	4-4:30 pm

\$50/\$45(RDC) No Class: 4/4

Adult & Child

Multi-Purpose Center
 3000 W. Jefferson St.

Ready, Set, Grow

Your little cruiser is ready to explore the outside world with you. Join other parents and tots as we use music, games, and small equipment to get your terrific tot moving. We will have a variety of equipment for the beginner mover, cruiser, and new walker. There will be structured circle time as well as unstructured time for your child to explore and build early social skills. There will be plenty of exercise and movement in this baby tot class.

Instructor: Beth Bravato

Age: 9-18 mos/adult

Deadline: 1/18, 3/7, 4/12

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 6)

5-1235-12	Mon	1/23-2/27	10:50-11:20 am
6-1235-12	Mon	3/5-4/9	10:50-11:20 am
\$20/\$18(RDC)			
6-1236-12	Mon	4/16-5/14	10:50-11:20 am
\$18/\$16(RDC)			

Baby Boomers ☆☆

Your child is ready to discover the world through creative play and exploration. A dynamic blend of structure and free play as you and your child participate in musical games, balance, and coordination exercises guaranteed to spell F-U-N. This is a terrific parent/child interactive class utilizing brightly colored tumbling equipment including mats, cylinders, and tunnels. Please dress in active wear. **Instructor:** Beth Bravato

Age: 12-24 mos/Adult

Deadline: 1/18, 3/7, 4/12

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 6)

5-1201-12	Mon	1/23-2/27	9-9:45 am
6-1201-12	Mon	3/5-4/9	9-9:45 am
\$24/\$20(RDC)			
6-1202-12	Mon	4/16-5/14	9-9:45 am
\$22/\$18(RDC)			

☆☆ Register for more than 1 session and receive 10% off the next session.

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Tot Adventures with Dr. Seuss ☆☆☆

Discover the literacy world of rhyme through the story adventures of Dr. Seuss. Each week one of Dr. Seuss's favorite stories will be read. All the creative play and exploration will revolve around the story. We will sing songs and create an interactive craft to reinforce the story. Please dress in active wear. Instructor: Beth Bravato

Age: 2-4 yrs/Adult	Deadline: 1/18, 3/3, 4/12
Multi-Purpose Center (Room 1)	
5-1206-12 Tues	1/24-2/28 9:50-10:30 am
6-1206-12 Tues	3/6-4/10 9:50-10:30 am
\$24/\$20(RDC)	
6-1207-12 Tues	4/17-5/15 9:50-10:30 am
\$22/\$18(RDC)	

Rockin' Tots

NEW!

Wiggle & giggle to a rockin' tot beat throughout this musical and active movement adventure! Your child will explore sensory and tactile items as they play with instruments like tambourines, maracas, drums and share props including balls, beanbags, hoops, and scarves. Develop your child's motor skills during structured and unstructured time designed to encourage socialization. Your tiny tot must be walking. Instructor: Beth Bravato

Age: 12-24 mos/Adult	Deadline: 1/23, 3/5, 4/16
Multi-Purpose Center (Room 1)	
5-1208-12 Thurs	1/26-3/1 9-9:45 am
6-1208-12 Thurs	3/8-4/12 9-9:45 am
\$24/\$20(RDC)	
6-1209-12 Thurs	4/19-5/17 9-9:45 am
\$22/\$18(RDC)	

Playtime Beginnings

NEW!

Sing, dance, jump, play, and have fun developing total body coordination. This is a terrific parent/child interactive class that utilizes brightly colored tumbling equipment including mats, cylinders, and tunnels. Play with instruments like tambourines, maracas, drums, and share props including balls, beanbags, hoops, and scarves. Your child will explore sensory and tactile items. Develop your child's motor skills during structured and unstructured time to encourage socialization. Please dress in active wear. Instructor: Beth Bravato

Age: 2-3 yrs/adult	Deadline: 1/18, 3/3, 4/12
Multi-Purpose Center (Room 6)	
5-1213-12 Mon	1/23-2/27 10-10:45 am
6-1213-12 Mon	3/5-4/9 10-10:45 am
\$24/\$20(RDC)	
6-1214-12 Mon	4/16-5/14 10-10:45 am
\$22/\$18(RDC)	

Busy Babies

EVENING CLASS

Join the fun as you and your tot discover the world through creative play and exploration. Enjoy a variety of activities including stretching exercises, coordination activities, listening skills through music, rhyme and repetition, and of course, creative playtime! There will be structured circle time as well as unstructured time for your child to explore and build early social skills. There will be plenty of exercise and movement in this baby tot class. Instructor: Gail Rohrer

Age: 10-20 mos/adult	Deadline: 1/18, 3/3, 4/12
Multi-Purpose Center (Room 6)	
5-1210-12 Tues	1/24-2/28 6-6:30 pm
6-1210-12 Tues	3/6-4/10 6-6:30 pm
\$20/\$15(RDC)	
6-1211-12 Tues	4/17-5/15 6-6:30 pm
\$15/\$12(RDC)	

Sing a Song of Sixpence ☆☆☆

Brain research shows that when learning an activity with music the brain embraces the information. Come and join the fun with your child as we sing songs, nursery rhymes, dance, and use musical instruments. Parents should be prepared to join in with their tots in this fun and active 'together' time. Instructor: Gail Rohrer

Age: 2-4 yrs/Adult	Deadline: 1/18, 3/3, 4/12
Multi-Purpose Center (Room 6)	
5-1215-12 Tues	1/24-2/28 6:45-7:30 pm
6-1215-12 Tues	3/6-4/10 6:45-7:30 pm
\$24/\$20(RDC)	
6-1216-12 Tues	4/17-5/15 6:45-7:30 pm
\$22/\$18(RDC)	

Holiday Tot Time

You will love this music and movement class with a holiday theme! Parents and tots will sing and dance to fun holiday tunes, musical games, and rhythm instruments. Coordination exercises are included. Instructor: Beth Bravato

Age: 2-4 yrs/Adult	Deadline: 11/28
Multi-Purpose Center (Room 1)	
4-1240-12 Thurs	12/1-12/22 10-10:45 am
\$24/\$20(RDC)	

Toddlers in Action ☆☆☆

Get together for crafts, coordination activities, and creative movement. Small and large motor movements are emphasized in this circle time class. New songs, projects, and activities each session. Class is designed for a toddler's adventurous attention span including 15 minutes active circle time using music and props, then 15 minutes large movement and spatial awareness, followed by 15 minutes of creative art. Instructor: Beth Bravato

Age: 2-3 yrs/Adult	Deadline: 1/23, 3/5, 4/16
Multi-Purpose Center (Room 1)	
5-1225-12 Thurs	1/26-3/1 10-10:45 am
6-1225-12 Thurs	3/8-4/12 10-10:45 am
\$24/\$20(RDC)	
6-1227-12 Thurs	4/19-5/17 10-10:45 am
\$22/\$18(RDC)	

Little Tykes Sports and Games

This program gives you and your child an opportunity to bond and have fun together while learning a variety of sports. This class is great for simple motor skills such as throwing, catching, batting, shooting, passing and anything that involves hand-eye coordination and footwork. Parent must participate with their child. Please wear athletic shoes. Activities will be held outside weather permitting. An additional sibling may attend for \$10. Instructor: Karen Cooper

Age: 2-4 yrs/adult	Deadline: 1/23, 3/5, 4/16
Multi-Purpose Center (West Gym)	
5-1230-12 Thurs	1/26-3/1 5-5:45 pm
6-1230-12 Thurs	3/8-4/12 5-5:45 pm
6-1231-12 Thurs	4/19-5/24 5-5:45 pm
\$24/\$20(RDC)	

Teeny Tiny Tots ☆☆☆

You and your child will spend an action-packed time working together on art projects, color matching, songs, finger plays, and action time. Your child has the opportunity to develop control, and fine and large muscle skills during this class. Instructor: Gail Rohrer

Age: 2-3 yrs/adult	Deadline: 1/23, 3/5, 4/16
Multi-Purpose Center (Room 5)	
5-1220-12 Sat	1/28-3/3 9-9:45 am
6-1220-12 Sat	3/10-4/14 9-9:45 am
6-1221-12 Sat	4/21-5/26 9-9:45 am
\$24/\$20(RDC)	



Nature

Pilcher Park Nature Center 2501 Highland Park Drive

Tadpoles

What a great way for parents or grandparents to jump-start their toddler's love of nature! Toddlers love to explore, play and touch, so this class is geared towards hands-on experiences, hikes and discovery learning. We'll have snacks too! Dress for the weather, and wear clothes and shoes for playing and painting.

Age: 2-3 yrs/adult Deadline: 1/31, 3/27

Pilcher Park Nature Center

5-1400-12	Tues	2/7-2/28	9:30-10:30 am
6-1400-12	Tues	4/3-4/24	9:30-10:30 am

\$45/\$40(RDC)

Nature Babies

"What's this!?" Our nature babies get this look on their face when we touch the turtles, explore the forest floor for natural treasures and sing "Itsy Bitsy Spider" to the webs we see. Join us for a discovery-filled class of seeing, touching, crafting and hiking. We'll share a snack each week too! Dress for the weather, and wear clothes and shoes for playing and painting.

Age: 1-2 yrs/adult Deadline: 2/1, 3/27

Pilcher Park Nature Center

5-1401-12	Wed	2/8-2/29	9:30-10:30 am
6-1401-12	Wed	4/4-4/25	9:30-10:30 am

\$45/\$40(RDC)

Green Frogs

Why "Green Frogs?" Because our tadpoles love nature and have changed into frogs! Sign up your preschooler for this action-filled class focused on learning through fun. We'll do experiments, crafts, and go for hikes each week. We'll share a snack each week too! Dress for the weather, and wear clothes and shoes for playing and painting.

Age: 3-5 yrs/adult Deadline: 2/2, 3/29

Pilcher Park Nature Center

5-1402-12	Thurs	2/9-3/1	9:30-10:30 am
6-1402-12	Thurs	4/5-4/26	9:30-10:30 am

\$45/\$40(RDC)

Explore With Me

Designed for parents who are interested in our weekday classes but cannot bring their children until the weekend. Explore nature with your toddler through hands on experiences, crafts, stories, and hikes. Learn about a different topic each week. We'll share a snack each week too! Dress for the weather, and wear clothes and shoes for playing and painting!

Age: 1-5 yrs/Adult Deadline: 12/31, 1/28, 3/31

Pilcher Park Nature Center

5-1408-12	Sat	1/7-1/28	10-11 am
5-1409-12	Sat	2/4-2/25	10-11 am
6-1408-12	Sat	4/7-4/28	10-11 am

\$45/\$40(RDC)

Arts and Leisure

Hartman Recreation Center 511 N. Collins St.

Toddlers in the Kitchen

Learn the basic kitchen skills for becoming a chef. New skills and recipes will be introduced each class. Parent participation is required.

Age: 3-5 years Deadline: 3/2

Hartman Recreation Center

6-1505-12	Tues	3/6-3/27	6:15-7 pm
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\$40/\$30(RDC)

Provena Saint Joseph Inwood Athletic Club 3000 W. Jefferson St.

Acting ABC's NEW

Twinkle, Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star... it's time for you to share! You will learn basic acting skills like audience awareness, basic theatre beginnings, and curtain calls. It's easy as ABC! Instructed by: Tiny Tots Theatre

Age: 3-5 yrs Deadline: 1/27

Provena Saint Joseph Inwood Athletic Club Community Room

5-1508-12	Thurs	2/2-3/8	4:15-5 pm
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More Than Series

Multi-Purpose Center

3000 W. Jefferson St.

More than...

These classes encourage children to explore the wonders of the world through a child-centered, integrated curriculum that addresses the five important early learning areas: math, art, music, science, reading and writing. All classes reflect the national early learning standards.

Age: 4-8 yrs Deadline: 12/27, 1/30, 3/2, 3/30, 4/27

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 2)

More Than Counting	5-1550-12	Sat	1/7-1/28	1-3 pm
More Than Letters	5-1551-12	Sat	2/4-2/25	1-3 pm
More Than Painting	6-1550-12	Sat	3/10-3/31	1-3 pm
More Than Magnets	6-1551-12	Sat	4/7-4/28	1-3 pm
More Than Singing	1-1550-13	Sat	5/5-5/26	1-3 pm

\$45/\$40(RDC)

All By Myself Learning

Multi-Purpose Center

3000 W. Jefferson St.

Kris Kringle Krafts

Preschoolers enjoy learning about cultural celebrations. Art, finger plays, games, and songs round out this cheerful holiday class. Instructor: Beth Bravato

Age: 3-5 yrs Deadline: 11/28

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 1)

4-1360-12	Thurs	12/1-12/22	9-9:45 am
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\$24/\$20(RDC)

Silly Science Time for Preschoolers

Ever wonder why there is air or where your shadow goes? Your child's curiosity will be sparked as we will be doing many hands-on experiments. Crazy contraptions, gooey mixtures and exciting experiments round out this science class as we learn about science in the process. We will discover many facts and answers to all the fundamental mysteries.

Age: 3-5 yrs Deadline: 1/18, 3/7, 4/12

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 6)

5-1307-12	Mon	1/23-2/27	11:30 am-12:15 pm
6-1307-12	Mon	3/5-4/9	11:30 am-12:15 pm

\$24/\$20(RDC)

6-1308-12	Mon	4/16-5/14	11:30 am-12:15 pm
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\$22/\$18(RDC)

Colors of the Rainbow ☆☆☆

Learn new songs, stories, and rhymes on the comfy carpet. We will use our paints, markers, dough, and glue sticks. This class is designed for your child to draw, paint, cut, paste, and learn other pre-writing skills by new different art mixed media projects. Every week a different color will be introduced, inspiring the theme of the project. New songs, projects, and stories each session. Please dress your child appropriately for creative masterpieces. Instructor: Gail Rohrer

Age: 3-5 yrs Deadline: 1/23, 3/5, 4/16

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 5)

5-1315-12	Sat	1/28-3/3	10-10:45 am
6-1315-12	Sat	3/10-4/14	10-10:45 am
6-1316-12	Sat	4/21-5/26	10-10:45 am

\$24/\$20(RDC)

Me Two

This class is designed to ease separation fears and encourage independence. Children will have fun on their own in a semi-structured environment building with blocks, fine motor activities, and creative arts. Stories, finger plays and songs will complete this learning experience. Parents do not stay. Instructor: Gail Rohrer

Age: 2½-3 yrs Deadline: 1/23, 3/5, 4/16

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 5)

5-1310-12	Sat	1/28-3/13	8:15-8:45 am
6-1310-12	Sat	3/10-4/14	8:15-8:45 am
6-1311-12	Sat	4/21-5/26	8:15-8:45 am

\$24/\$20(RDC)

Bearly Three ☆☆☆

"First-Timers" will delight in this class filled with games, crafts, and loads of fun. The emphasis of our class is on socialization skills. This is a great preparation class for children who want to attend school but aren't quite ready for the longer session. New songs, projects, stories, and activities each session. Instructor: Gail Rohrer

Age: 3-4 yrs Deadline: 1/18, 3/7, 4/12

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 6)

5-1320-12	Tues	1/24-2/28	4-4:45 pm
6-1320-12	Tues	3/6-4/10	4-4:45 pm
6-1321-12	Tues	4/17-5/22	4-4:45 pm

\$24/\$20(RDC)

ABC/123 Jump Start

Letters and numbers are introduced with catchy and age appropriate hands-on crafts, and open-ended tie-in activities that encourage children to distinguish letters and explore number concepts. "Handwriting Without Tears" curriculum is used to encourage proper printing skills. Instructor: Gail Rohrer

Age: 4-6 yrs Deadline: 1/18, 3/2, 4/13

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 6)

5-1325-12	Tues	1/24-2/28	5-5:45 pm
6-1325-12	Tues	3/6-4/10	5-5:45 pm
6-1326-12	Tues	4/17-5/22	5-5:45 pm

\$24/\$20(RDC)

Lollipop Kids ☆☆☆

Children create imaginative art projects as they practice cutting, tracing, and pasting. Shapes, numbers, colors, and letters are introduced. Activities are age appropriate for fun and development. Themes that will be included are winter, Valentine's and spring. New songs, projects and activities each session. Instructor: Gail Rohrer

Age: 3-6 yrs Deadline: 1/18, 3/2, 4/13

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 6)

5-1330-12	Tues	1/24-2/28	3-3:45 pm
6-1330-12	Tues	3/6-4/10	3-3:45 pm
6-1331-12	Tues	4/17-5/22	3-3:45 pm

\$24/\$20(RDC)

Elmo's School Adventures ☆☆☆

Children will develop pre-literacy, language skills, hand eye coordination, follow directions through songs, music, and story time. Children will explore colors, shapes, and numbers through a variety of activities including art, flannel boards, and active music movement. Children will work in small and large groups. Instructor: Gail Rohrer

Age: 3-5 yrs Deadline: 1/23, 3/5, 4/16

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 5)

5-1335-12	Sat	1/28-3/3	11-11:45 am
6-1336-12	Sat	3/10-4/14	11-11:45 am
6-1337-12	Sat	4/21-5/26	11-11:45 am

\$24/\$20(RDC)

Five Six Pick Up Sticks ☆☆

Discovery games and activities help your preschooler with counting, matching, movement, number recognition, and simple math. Instructor: Beth Bravato

Age: 3-5 yrs

Deadline: 1/18, 3/2, 4/13

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 1)

5-1345-12	Tues	1/24-2/28	12:30-1:15 pm
6-1345-12	Tues	3/6-4/10	12:30-1:15 pm
6-1346-12	Tues	4/17-5/22	12:30-1:15 pm

\$24/\$20(RDC)

For Boys Only ☆☆

Get your little boy into physical fitness and sports at a young age and he will develop self-confidence and physical awareness. Class focuses on non-competitive sport skills and activities. Activities outside, weather permitting. A different sport is introduced each week. Instructor: Beth Bravato – Tuesday, Karen Cooper – Thursday

Age: 3-5 yrs

Deadline: 1/23, 3/5, 4/16

Multi-Purpose Center (West Gym)

5-1340-12	Tues	1/24-2/28	11:15 am-12 pm
5-1341-12	Thurs	1/26-3/1	4-4:45 pm
6-1340-12	Tues	3/6-4/10	11:15 am-12 pm
6-1341-12	Thurs	3/8-4/12	4-4:45 pm

\$24/\$20(RDC)

6-1342-12	Tues	4/17-5/15	11:15 am-12 pm
6-1343-12	Thurs	4/19-5/17	4-4:45 pm

\$22/\$18(RDC)

Boys' Adventures

This class is designed for that special little guy in your life who loves adventures. Each week we will have a different theme for your little boy to explore and use his imagination through the adventure of play. A story and craft will be included weekly. Themes will be Dinosaurs, Race Cars, Outer Space, Pirates, Airplanes and Zoo. Instructor: Beth Bravato

Age: 3-6 yrs

Deadline: 1/18, 3/7, 4/12

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 1)

5-1350-12	Mon	1/23-2/27	12:30-1:15 pm
6-1350-12	Mon	3/5-4/9	12:30-1:15 pm

\$24/\$20(RDC)

6-1351-12	Mon	4/16-5/14	12:30-1:15 pm
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\$22/\$18(RDC)

Holiday Camps**Multi-Purpose Center****3000 W. Jefferson St.****Camp Kinder Spring Quest**

Daily activities are planned to be age appropriate, yet challenging, exciting, and engaging to make this the BEST Spring Break yet! Sports, fitness, games, arts, crafts, science and a field trip are planned. We will swim daily too, at our indoor pool.

Age: 4-6 years

Deadline: 3/28

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 1)

6-1455-12	Mon-Fri	4/2-4/6	9 am-4 pm
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\$145/\$135(RDC)

Camp Spring Fire Fly

Looking for some Spring Fling Fun? Let us en-lighten your child's spring break with arts, crafts, games stories, theme days, and outdoor adventures, weather permitting. Your child will enjoy this adventurous camp and you will not hear those words "I'm Bored". Child must have had previous experience in one of our Early Learning Programs to be enrolled in Camp.

Age: 3-6 years

Deadline: 3/28

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 4 North)

6-1457-12	Mon-Fri	4/2-4/6	9-11:30 am
6-1458-12	Mon-Fri	4/2-4/6	12:30-3 pm

\$50

Polar Cub Camp

Have your child join us during the winter holiday break for playtime, crafts, story time, and large muscle activities. Dress appropriately for the weather and hope for snow! Maybe we will be able to explore out in the snow.

Age: 3-5 yrs

Deadline: 12/17, 12/23

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 4 South)

4-1450-12	Wed/Thurs/Fri	12/21-12/23	9-11 am
4-1451-12	Wed/Thurs/Fri	12/21-12/23	12:30-2:30 pm
\$20			
4-1452-12	Mon-Fri	12/26-12/30	9-11 am
4-1453-12	Mon-Fri	12/26-12/30	12:30-2:30 pm
\$35			

Holiday Park District Dance Camp

This camp will introduce your child to the different styles of dance, poms, cheer, movement, and tumbling. Children will be placed in age groups. All levels of skill welcome. A snack will be served. All children must be prepared to stay without the help of an adult. Please wear leotard or yoga attire.

Age: 4-8 years

Deadline: 12/21

Multi-Purpose Center

4-1455-12	Tues/Thurs	12/27-12/29	9-11:30 am
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Theme Parties

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Friday Theme Parties

Make Friday memorable as your child enjoys engaging themes. Each theme will contain activities in math, music, movement, language, science, and art. Add a little pizzazz to your child's Friday afternoons. Each child needs to be prepared to stay alone without the assistance of a parent. Please dress your child in play clothes as we will be using many art mediums and doing movement activities. **Register for more than one theme day and receive 10% off each following theme day.** Hostess: Early Childhood Staff

Age: 3-6 yrs Deadline: 1/6, 1/13, 1/20, 1/27, 2/3, 2/10, 2/17, 2/24, 3/2, 3/9, 3/16

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 6)

Picture Me Princess	5-1600-12	Fri	1/13	1-3 pm
Playful Puppies and Cuddly Kittens	5-1601-12	Fri	1/20	1-3 pm
Discovering Dinosaurs	5-1602-12	Fri	1/27	1-3 pm
Tales of a Mermaid	5-1603-12	Fri	2/3	1-3 pm
Beary Busy Bears	5-1604-12	Fri	2/10	1-3 pm
Under the Sea	5-1605-12	Fri	2/17	1-3 pm
Animal Safari	5-1606-12	Fri	2/24	1-3 pm
Pirates and Buried Treasures	6-1600-12	Fri	3/2	1-3 pm
Mighty Trucks	6-1601-12	Fri	3/9	1-3 pm
Tinker Bell and Friends	6-1602-12	Fri	3/16	1-3 pm
Yogi Bear and Boo Boo	6-1603-12	Fri	3/23	1-3 pm

\$11/\$10(RDC)

Super Heroes

Come share your secret powers with other super hero friends at the Joliet Park District. We will play games, make a craft and listen to stories that relate to one of your favorite super heroes. Dress in your favorite superhero outfit if you choose. Hostess: Gail Rohrer

Age: 4-8 yrs

Deadline: 1/14

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 5)

5-1610-12	Sat	1/21	1-3 pm
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\$11/\$10(RDC)

Disney Princess Tea Party

Do you enjoy dressing up like a princess? Become royalty for the afternoon while enjoying games, enchanting activities, and chatting with other princesses. Join us for a special tea party just for little princesses. We will enjoy a special tea, learn some kingdom dances and make a dainty piece of art. Come dressed as your favorite princess if you choose. Hostess: Gail Rohrer

Age: 3-8 yrs

Deadline: 1/9, 3/2

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 5)

5-1615-12	Mon	1/16	1-3 pm
6-1615-12	Fri	3/9	1-3 pm

\$11/\$10(RDC)

Teddy Bear Pajama Party

Attention all teddy bears and their owners! Join us for an evening of fun! Snuggle up and enjoy a favorite bear story, beary bear music, a teddy bear parade and a tasty bear snack. Teddy bears – be sure to wear your pajamas and have your owners wear their favorite pajamas too. This plans to be a very memorable evening of fun. Hostess: Karen Cooper

Age: 3-6 yrs/adult

Deadline: 2/1

Multi-Purpose Center (Room 6)

5-1617-12	Fri	2/3	6:30-7:45 pm
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\$11/\$10(RDC)

Holiday Pajama Party

Hippity, hoppity, all the way down the lane goes the Easter Bunny. Celebrate this special spring holiday as we sing, read, make a holiday treat and snuggle up for a classic holiday story. Wear your cozy holiday pajamas as we enjoy a special evening together. Hostess: Karen Cooper

Age: 3-6 yrs/adult Deadline: 3/23
Multi-Purpose Center (Room 6)
 5-1616-12 Fri 3/30 6:30-7:45 pm
 \$11/\$10(RDC)

Hello Easter Bunny

Spring is in the air... look who's hoppin' down the trail. Come to this fun and exciting class where we will learn about our favorite bunnies. We will play games, sing songs and create a masterpiece centered all around bunnies.

Age: 3-5 yrs Deadline: 3/28
Multi-Purpose Center (Room 6)
 6-1621-12 Fri 3/30 1-3 pm
 \$11/\$10(RDC)

Sports

Multi-Purpose Center

3000 W. Jefferson St.

Mighty Hitters T-Ball

Mighty Hitter's T-ball teaches kids the basics of baseball in a fun and safe environment with no standing around. Throwing, catching, hitting and fielding will be taught as well as running the bases and how to play the game. Games will be played if there are enough participants. Players should bring their own glove.

Age: 4-6 yrs Deadline: 1/9, 2/27, 4/9
Multi-Purpose Center (Gym)
 5-1735-12 Thurs 1/12-2/16 4-4:45 pm
 6-1735-12 Thurs 3/1-4/5 4-4:45 pm
 6-1736-12 Thurs 4/12-5/17 4-4:45 pm
 \$40/\$30(RDC)

Start Smart Baseball

Parents, work one-on-one with your child teaching the basics of baseball, like throwing, catching, running, and batting to prepare participants for organized tee ball and baseball. Please bring a glove.

Age: 3-5 yrs/Adult Deadline: 4/9
Multi-Purpose Center (Gym)
 6-1740-12 Thurs 4/12-5/17 6-6:45 pm
 \$40/\$30(RDC)

Mini Kickers

This program is designed to teach children the basics of soccer in a fun and exciting way. Dribbling, passing, and shooting will be covered through fun games. This class is great for coordination and self esteem.

Age: 4-6 yrs Deadline: 1/9, 2/27, 4/9
Multi-Purpose Center (Gym)
 5-1715-12 Wed 1/11-2/22 4-4:45 pm
 5-1716-12 Wed 2/29-4/4 4-4:45 pm
 6-1715-12 Wed 4/11-5/16 4-4:45 pm
 \$40/\$30(RDC) No Class: 1/18

Start Smart Soccer

Join your tot for a safely-structured class filled with learning and fun for children, with the assistance of an adult. Parents, work one-on-one with your child teaching the basics of soccer like kicking, passing, dribbling, and trapping, throw-ins and agility.

Age: 3-4 yrs/Adult Deadline: 1/9, 2/27, 4/9
Multi-Purpose Center (Gym)
 5-1730-12 Wed 1/11-2/22 6-6:45 pm
 5-1731-12 Wed 2/29-4/4 6-6:45 pm
 6-1730-12 Wed 4/11-5/16 6-6:45 pm
 \$40/\$30(RDC) No Class: 1/18

Little Hoopsters

This program will introduce your children to the game of basketball if they are beginners or if they need to know how to get to the next level. Basic skills of dribbling, passing, shooting, and defense will be taught. Games will also be played to show the importance of teamwork in game situations.

Age: 4-6 yrs Deadline: 1/9, 2/27, 4/9
Multi-Purpose Center (Gym)
 5-1720-12 Mon 1/9-2/13 4-4:45 pm
 5-1721-12 Mon 2/27-4/2 4-4:45 pm
 6-1720-12 Mon 4/9-5/14 4-4:45 pm
 \$40/\$30(RDC)

Start Smart Basketball

Join your tot for a safely-structured class filled with learning and fun for children, with the assistance of an adult. Parents, work one-on-one with your child teaching the basics of basketball like catching, passing, dribbling, and shooting.

Age: 3-5 yrs/Adult Deadline: 1/9, 2/27, 4/9
Multi-Purpose Center (Gym)
 5-1725-12 Mon 1/9-2/13 6-6:45 pm
 5-1726-12 Mon 2/27-4/2 6-6:45 pm
 6-1725-12 Mon 4/9-5/14 6-6:45 pm
 \$40/\$30(RDC)

Early Childhood Physical Education Goals & Objectives

The ultimate goals of physical education are for children to develop confidence and competence in the control and movement of their bodies and to develop the attitudes, knowledge, skills and practices that lead to maintaining, respecting and protecting their bodies. The immediate objectives are to:

- Develop spatial awareness (understanding of personal and general space and direction)
- Develop temporal awareness (awareness of speed, timing, duration and rhythm)
- Improve balance, flexibility and agility
- Develop fundamental motor skills such as jumping, hopping, throwing, kicking, striking, running, catching and climbing
- Develop wrist, hand, finger, finger-thumb and eye-hand movements
- Improve focus and develop attention span
- Promote socialization and open interaction

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Tiny Tacklers Flag Football

This class is designed to teach and enhance essential football skills. Proper techniques of passing, receiving, and teamwork skills while learning the rules of flag football. Games will be played if enough participants register.

Age: 4-6 yrs Deadline: 1/9, 2/27, 4/9

Multi-Purpose Center (Gym)

5-1745-12	Fri	1/13-2/24	4-4:45 pm
5-1746-12	Fri	3/2-4/13	4-4:45 pm
6-1745-12	Fri	4/20-6/1	4-4:45 pm

\$40/\$30(RDC) No Class: 5/4

Kids' Karate

Kids will learn how to do the basic moves of the classic art of karate. This class will prepare your child to continue in the karate program's beginner sessions.

Age: 4-6 yrs Deadline: 2/1, 3/7, 4/11

Multi-Purpose Center (Gym)

5-1790-12	Wed	2/1-2/29	5:30-6 pm
6-1790-12	Wed	3/7-4/4	5:30-6 pm
6-1791-12	Wed	4/11-5/9	5:30-6 pm

\$35/\$25(RDC)

Hartman Recreation Center

511 N. Collins St.

Mini Soccer Kidz

Learn the fundamentals of soccer through instructional drills and games. Parent participation with their children is required.

Age: 3-5 yrs/Adult Deadline: 1/20, 3/5

Hartman Recreation Center

5-1760-12	Tues	1/24-2/14	5-5:45 pm
6-1760-12	Wed	3/7-3/28	5-5:45 pm

\$40/\$30(RDC)

Mini Dribblers

This class is designed to teach children the fundamentals of basketball. This class will feature lowered rims and proper size basketballs. Parent participation with their child is required.

Age: 3-5 yrs/Adult Deadline: 4/2

Hartman Recreation Center

6-1770-12	Wed	4/4-4/25	5-5:45 pm
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Tots will participate with parent assistance. Musical games, position of the week, balance, strength and coordination exercises are just a few activities introduced in this loosely structured gym time movement class. Excellent large motor skill development and a great environment to promote socialization. Come join us and experience the ever-changing gymnastics circuit! Program fee is for 1 adult and 1 child.

Age: 1-2 yrs/adult **Deadline:** 1/5, 3/22,
Multi-Purpose Center (Gymnastics Room)

5-1649-12	Tues	1/10-3/13	9:30-10:15 am
5-1650-12	Thurs	1/12-3/15	9:30-10:15 am
5-1651-12	Fri	1/13-3/16	9:30-10:15 am
5-1652-12	Sat	1/14-3/17	1:55-2:40 pm
6-1649-12	Tues	3/27-6/5	9:30-10:15 am
6-1650-12	Thurs	3/29-6/7	9:30-10:15 am
6-1651-12	Fri	3/30-6/8	9:30-10:15 am
6-1652-12	Sat	4/7-6/9	1:55-2:40 pm

\$65/\$60(RDC) No Class: 5/22, 5/24, 5/25

Tumble Bee Tots ★

Join your tot for this safely structured class filled with learning and fun! Children, with the assistance of an adult, continue to develop large muscle motor skills like rolling, hopping, crawling, balancing, and age appropriate gymnastics. Includes music, props, and the ever-changing gymnastics circuit. Tots and parents follow a circuit course and a music circle time is included. Program fee is for 1 adult and 1 child.

Age: 2-3 yrs/Adult **Deadline:** 1/5, 3/22,
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5-1654-12	Tues	1/10-3/13	10:20-11:05 am
5-1655-12	Thurs	1/12-3/15	10:20-11:05 am
5-1656-12	Fri	1/13-3/16	10:20-11:05 am
5-1657-12	Sat	1/14-3/17	12:10-12:55 pm
6-1654-12	Tues	3/27-5/29	10:20-11:05 am
6-1655-12	Thurs	3/29-5/31	10:20-11:05 am
6-1656-12	Fri	3/30-6/1	10:20-11:05 am
6-1657-12	Sat	4/7-6/9	12:10-12:55 pm

\$65/\$60(RDC) No Class: 5/22, 5/24, 5/25

Bustling Bees ★

This tumbling class is for the child prepared to stay and participate without a parent. Your child will work on age appropriate gymnastics skills such as forward rolls, backwards rolls, straddle rolls and beginning cartwheels. Balance beam and springboard skills will be introduced. Music, props, and the ever-changing gymnastics circuit are used to enhance the excitement and fun! This class is a great way to enhance child's focus and improve social skills.

Age: 3-5 years **Deadline:** 1/5, 3/22,
Multi-Purpose Center (Gymnastics Room)

5-1661-12	Tues	1/10-3/13	11:15 am-12 pm
5-1662-12	Thurs	1/12-3/15	11:15 am-12 pm
5-1663-12	Fri	1/13-3/16	11:15 am-12 pm
5-1664-12	Sat	1/14-3/17	1-1:45 pm
6-1661-12	Tues	3/27-5/29	11:15 am-12 pm
6-1662-12	Thurs	3/29-5/31	11:15 am-12 pm
6-1663-12	Fri	3/30-6/1	11:15 am-12 pm
6-1664-12	Sat	4/7-6/9	1-1:45 pm

\$65/\$60(RDC) No Class: 5/22, 5/24, 5/25

Wear your Tumble Bees t-shirt to class each week! If interested, purchase can be made at the MPC front desk.

Tumble Bees Early Childhood Movement

Enrolling your child in our Tumble Bees Early Childhood Movement program is a wonderful way to expose participants to balance and movement activities. Your child will learn movement skills, coordination, and self confidence in a positive atmosphere. Our staff has years of experience with children. Each week Tumble Bees will practice skills and learn new progressions in creative formats that keep learning fun. To assist in creating a positive instructional environment, classes have a three week policy in which if your child is not enrolled in the proper class, he or she will be placed in the appropriate class. Children should enroll in classes based on the age they will be when the session starts.



The Joliet Park District has an observation area available for the Gymnastics and Tumbling programs. Please be respectful to all classes going on when in the observation area.

Tumble Bees Tumbling Attire: Appropriate attire includes leotards, shorts, sweats, t-shirts and non-skid socks or bare feet. Please do not wear jeans, belts or jewelry.

Children's Nursery: ****Only parent/guardian and participant are allowed in classes.** Please utilize the children's nursery for all other siblings. A children's nursery is available at the Provena Saint Joseph Inwood Athletic Club, located adjacent to the Multi-Purpose Center. Rates are reasonable and the care is exceptional. Call 741-7275, ext. 122 for details.

Joliet Park District Program Philosophy:

Every participant can have fun learning developmentally appropriate movement in a safe environment which promotes positive self-esteem.

A Gentle Reminder: Your promptness in picking up your child after class is greatly appreciated. A few minutes without mom or dad after everyone else has left can be frightening to small children. Thank you for not parking in the fire lanes.

Open Tumble Bees

Come enjoy the socialization and fun that the Tumble Bee gym has to offer. Participants will enjoy interactive play with each other and with both their parents/guardians. At least one parent must attend open gym with the child. A discount will be provided for those that have more than one child at Open Tumble Bees. Participants should sign in and pay their fee at the Multi-Purpose Center front desk. If the front desk is closed then pay in the gymnastics room. Please check the gymnastics bulletin board as some dates may be subject to cancellation.

Age: 1-5 yrs/adult

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1 child (1-2 yrs)	9-10 am	Wed (Year-Round)	\$7/\$6(RDC)
2+ children (1-2 yrs)	9-10 am	Wed (Year-Round)	\$12/\$10(RDC)
1 child (3-5 yrs)	10:15-11:15 am	Wed (Year-Round)	\$7/\$6(RDC)
2+ children (3-5 yrs)	10:15-11:15 am	Wed (Year-Round)	\$12/\$10(RDC)

No Class: 12/28, 1/4, 5/16, 5/23

Long and short hair must be worn off the face and in a securely fastened ponytail for every class.

Our Gymnastics Room Offers: Floor Exercise

Uneven Bars • 6 Beams
Mini Bars • Parallel Bars
Adjustable Training High Bar
Pommel Horse • Tumble Trak
Vaulting Table

★ 10-Week
Session