PRESCHOOL ACTIVITIES

DEAR PARENTS: In an attempt to provide the best learning environment for your child, we ask that all parents and siblings refrain from entering the teaching area during classes. This helps to eliminate interruptions for both the instructor and your child. We feel it is most beneficial for children to have time alone to interact with their peers. Space permitting, parents may attend the last day of classes to view their children's progress. Your understanding and cooperation is greatly appreciated. Feel free to discuss your child's progress with the instructor after class.

LITTLE FEET 1
Ages 3 ½-4
Preschoolers love music and dance! Enhance your child's sense of rhythm and coordination with this beginner dance program. Through creative movement exercises set to music, your child will learn creativity, motor control, balance, and self-confidence all while having a blast! Attire: any color leotard, pink tights, pink ballet slippers, and black tap shoes. Students will work toward a recital. Dress rehearsal is scheduled for May 4 and the recital on Saturday, May 5, 2012. Registration fee includes recital costume. *Class began in September, but registration is now open to half year participants.*

Activity #0010-301	Fee: $199
Tuesdays	RDF: $179
Jan 10-May 1	4:45-5:30pm
(No class Apr 10)	
George Wilson Center	16 sessions

LITTLE FEET 2
Ages 5-6
A step up from Little Feet, this class is full of fun activities for your child to develop their rhythm, dance skills, and coordination. A uniquely combined class of ballet and tap will give your child a well-rounded experience in beginner level dance and teach class etiquette. Through a well-balanced dance curriculum your child will develop their creativity, self-confidence, and motor skills. Attire: any color leotard, pink tights, pink ballet shoes, and black tap shoes. Students will work toward a recital. Dress rehearsal is scheduled for May 4 and the recital on Saturday, May 5, 2012. Registration fee includes recital costume. *Class began in September, but registration is now open to half year participants.*

Activity #0014-301	Fee: $239
Wednesdays	RDF: $215
Jan 11-May 2	5-6pm
(No class Apr 11)	
George Wilson Center	16 sessions

Resident Discounted Fee (RDF)

The City of Newark Parks and Recreation strives to provide quality and affordable recreation opportunities to the community. In recognizing that City of Newark residents support our department along with other City Services, through their city taxes, the City offers residents a discounted fee. Non-residents will pay the regular fee for the programs.

GYMNASTICS CLASSES
We have partnered with First State Gymnastics to offer these exciting classes! In our Pre-School Program we offer a movement education oriented approach to what is many young student's first sport experience. We provide a positive and fun environment as they develop some important basics for future progress in gymnastics or other sports they may participate in. Basic motor skills are targeted including balance, strength, flexibility, coordination as well as learning to listen, follow directions and work with others. Much of the equipment used is designed for little hands and little feet to gain the confidence to step out on bigger challenges! Classes will be held at First State Gymnastics, 131 John F. Campbell Drive, just off of Marrows Road.

PARENT/TOT GYMNASTICS
Ages 18 months – 36 months

Activity #0620-102	Fee: $128
Tuesdays	RDF: $108
Jan 24-Feb 28	10:30-11:15am
First State Gymnastics	6 sessions

TUMBLE TOTS
Ages 3-5

Activity #0621-102	Fee: $128
Tuesdays	RDF: $108
Jan 24-Feb 28	9:30-10:15am
First State Gymnastics	6 sessions

PINT SIZE BASKETBALL
Ages 4-7
Registration has been taken since Fall 2011. Fun, teamwork, sportsmanship and learning the fundamentals of dribbling, passing, and shooting are the goals of this program. Scrimmage games will be played. All equipment is provided. Boys and girls are welcome. Gym shoes must be worn.

Ages 4-5

Activity #0600-102	Fee: $61
Tuesdays	RDF: $45
Jan 10-Feb 28	6-6:45pm
McVey Elementary School	8 sessions

Ages 6-7

Activity #1600-102	Fee: $61
Tuesdays	RDF: $45
Jan 10-Feb 28	7-7:45pm
McVey Elementary School	8 sessions

SOCCEROOS
Ages 3-6
Registration has been taken since Fall 2011. This program is a great introduction to the world's most popular sport! This class will be taught indoors and will focus on basic skill development such as dribbling, passing, receiving, shooting, and eye/foot coordination. We'll cover the basic rules and emphasize fun. We suggest that all children wear shin guards.

Ages 3-4

Activity #1603-102	Fee: $47
Thursdays	RDF: $31
Jan 19-Feb 23	6-6:45pm
McVey Elementary School	6 sessions

Ages 5-6

Activity #1603-112	Fee: $47
Thursdays	RDF: $31
Jan 19-Feb 23	7-7:45pm
McVey Elementary School	6 sessions

FAMILY YOGA
Ages 2-6 ***Heather Duff***
A fun yoga class for children ages 2-6 and their caregivers that includes yoga postures, music, movement activities, relaxation and crafts. Siblings of all ages are welcome to register as well (siblings under age 2 are free). Please bring yoga mats if you have them. Fee includes child and one adult.

Activity #0335-102	Fee: $65
Tuesdays	RDF: $53
Jan 17-Feb 21	10-10:45am
George Wilson Center	6 sessions

Activity #0335-112	Fee: $65
Tuesdays	RDF: $53
Feb 28-Apr 3	10-10:45am
George Wilson Center	6 sessions

TINY TOTS PLAY GROUP
Children under 5 with a guardian
Tots and parents enjoy an hour of play and socializing at the George Wilson Center. We'll provide access to our tumble mats, balls, simple craft supplies, and other fun equipment. Bring books for story time. Connect with other parents and exchange ideas for more play dates and activities. This informal program will be participant led.

Activity #0030-102	Fee: $15
Mondays	RDF: $10
Jan 23-Mar 12	9:30-10:30am
(No class Feb 20)	
George Wilson Center	6 sessions

SUNDAY SWIM NEW!!
Ages 4 and over
Escape the cold and gather the family together for an afternoon swim at the Newark Senior Center. The heated pool will be available for open swim time. No children under the age of 4 are permitted in the pool. Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult 18 or older. *Each individual is required to pay the registration fee*.

Activity #3653-102	Fee: $39
Sundays	RDF: $25
Feb 12-26	4-6pm
Newark Senior Center	3 sessions

LITTLE PICASSOS NEW!!
Ages 3-5 ***Tori Paruszewski***
Your little one can paint, paste, draw and create his or her own masterpiece. Your child will experience a variety of art mediums as they explore the world of creativity while building self-esteem and confidence. Child must be potty trained.

Activity #0005-102	Fee: $61
Wednesdays	RDF: $48
Feb 15-Mar 21	10-11:30am
George Wilson Center	6 sessions

PRESCHOOL ALL STAR SPORTS (P.A.S.S.)
Ages 3-4
Children will enjoy activities, games and drills, which will emphasize how to use equipment, basic motor development skills, and rules of the sports. Children should wear comfortable clothing and sneakers.

Activity #0520-102	Fee: $48
Wednesdays	RDF: $33
Feb 22-Mar 21	4-4:45pm
George Wilson Center	5 sessions

MARCH MADNESS
Ages 3½-6
March is a time with many things for a preschooler to do as the month comes in like a lion and goes out as a lamb. Your preschooler will have fun at the George Wilson Center whipping up many treats. We'll make enough to sample and take home to share. Our projects vary each year.

Activity #0002-102	Fee: $53
Thursdays	RDF: $40
Mar 1-15	10-11:30am
George Wilson Center	3 sessions

ONLINE REGISTRATION AVAILABLE!

Registration is easier than ever and it's at your fingertips!!
Visit our website at www.cityofnewarkde.us/parksrecreation.

SOCCER SHOTS NEW!!
Ages 3-8 ***Soccer Shots***
Soccer Shots is a program offered to children 3-8 that meets once per week to introduce your child to soccer! The instructors are energetic, and enthusiastic, great teachers and love working with children. They not only teach soccer skills but also work on improving balance coordination and agility with the kids. Soccer Shots also uses the sessions to teach children important concepts such as teamwork, sharing and respect. Come join the fastest growing youth soccer program today!

Activity #1522-102	Fee: $96
Thursdays	RDF: $81
Mar 1-Apr 5	5-5:45pm
George Wilson Center	6 sessions

PARENT AND TOT ART CLASS NEW!!
Ages 2-5 ***Tori Paruszewski***
Explore the world of art with your child. We will use a variety of painting techniques and crafts to make masterpieces. Child does not have to be potty trained and parents must stay.

Activity #0047-102	Fee: $61
Tuesdays	RDF: $48
Mar 20-May 1	10-11:30am
(No class Apr 10)	
George Wilson Center	6 sessions

LITTLE TENNIS
Ages 5-6
Little tennis is designed as a very basic introduction to tennis that will teach basic motor development skills to prepare your child for tennis. Emphasis will be placed on movement, balance, body and space awareness, as well as hand-eye coordination. Lessons will be fun and taught in a playful manner. Racquets will be provided. Children should wear sneakers and bring water to drink.

Activity #0637-102	Fee: $47
Tuesdays	RDF: $32
Mar 20–Apr 24	5:30-6pm
George Wilson Center	6 sessions

Activity #0637-112	Fee: $47
Tuesdays	RDF: $32
May 15–June 19	5:30-6pm
George Wilson Center	6 sessions

SPRING FLING FUN
Ages 3½ -6
Spring is just around the corner. Send your preschooler over to the George Wilson Center's cozy kitchen, where each week we will stir up special spring things. We will have samples at the end of each class. A special way to say "Spring is here"! Our projects vary each year.

Activity #0003-102	Fee: $53
Thursdays	RDF: $40
Mar 29-Apr 12	10-11:30am
George Wilson Center	3 sessions

LITTLE SLUGGER
Ages 4-6
This program is a great introduction to America's favorite pastime, baseball. Fun, teamwork, sportsmanship and learning the basic mechanics of fielding, hitting and base running are the goals of this program. All equipment except gloves is provided. Boys and girls are welcome. This is an outdoor program.

Activity #0343-102	Fee: $56
Saturdays	RDF: $40
Apr 21-May 12	1:30-2:45pm
George Wilson Center	4 sessions

LITTLE TREKKERS NEW!!
Ages 2-5 with parent ***Ahren Lewis***
Accompany your little trekker as they experience the magic of the natural world! Children will explore different nature topics as they hike and investigate along the trails of Rittenhouse Park. After the hike children will complete a small nature related craft they can take with them. Please dress for the weather since the class will take place in the great outdoors!

Activity #0008-102	Fee: $19
Saturday	RDF: $9
Apr 21	10-11:30am
Rittenhouse Park	

Activity #0008-112	Fee: $19
Saturday	RDF: $9
May 5	10-11:30am
Rittenhouse Park	

PONY PARTY AT SUNSET STABLES
Ages 3-7 ***Sue Campbell***
Come join the fun at the Pony Party! The fun starts with a barn tour followed by pony rides, crafts and pony theme games. Giddy up, let's have some fun!

Activity #1505-102	Fee: $47
Saturday	RDF: $32
Mar 24	11am-12pm
Sunset Stables	

Activity #1505-112	Fee: $47
Saturday	RDF: $32
May 5	11am-12pm
Sunset Stables	

DELAWARE SOCCER CAMP
Ages 3-6 ***Run by Ian Hennessy***
Delaware Soccer Camps is pleased to offer our Tots Camp which is a gentle and fun introduction to soccer for boys and girls from 3-6 years. The kids will start out with soccer related games, spend some time at the playground, enjoy a healthy snack and finish with small scrimmages and fun children's games. T-shirt included in the cost – They won't want to miss it!

Activity #0605-202	Fee: $99
Monday-Thursday	RDF: $89
July 9-12	9-11:30am
Downes Elementary School	4 sessions

How to Watch a Good Activity Die
Nothing kills a good activity more quickly than everyone waiting until the last minute to register. You see, there's a point where, if there are not enough registrants, an activity is cancelled.
Coming on the day of the activity to sign-up won't resurrect it, so please register early.

SUMMER TOT LOT
Ages 4-5
Tot Lot is a terrific outdoor recreation program designed especially for preschool children. The program meets Monday through Thursday for three separate two-week sessions during the summer. Recreation leaders' work together to create a program that is instructional and also lots of fun! Activities include arts and crafts, stories, games, movement, supervised free play and special events. Tot Lots will operate on rainy days, but will take place indoors. Children must be potty trained.

Activity #0313-212	Fee: $130
Monday-Thursday	RDF: $110
June 18-28	9am-12pm
Downes Elementary School	8 sessions

Activity #0313-222	Fee: $121
Monday-Thursday	RDF: $101
July 2-12	9am-12pm
(No camp July 4)	
Downes Elementary School	7 sessions

Activity #0313-232	Fee: $130
Monday-Thursday	RDF: $110
July 16-26	9am-12pm
Downes Elementary School	8 sessions

SPORTS SQUIRTS SUMMER CAMP
Ages 3-5 ***US Sports Institute***
The US Sports Institute Sports Squirts Program has been designed to introduce children aged 3 to 5 to a variety of sports such as soccer, t-ball, basketball, lacrosse and hockey in a safe, structured environment. All games and activities will encompass hand/eye coordination, balance, agility and movement – all key factors to the early development of children in sport.

In addition to having a great time playing the different sports, children will develop social interaction and communication skills. All sports are developed through a series of games and activities designed to ensure learning and most importantly: Fun, Fun, Fun!

Ages 3-5

Activity #0641-202	Fee: $96
Monday-Thursday	RDF: $81
July 16-19	4:30-5:30pm
West Park School	4 sessions

HOBBIT HALF-DAY CAMP
Ages 4-6
Hobbit Half Day Camp, located at Rittenhouse Park, is a nature-oriented educational program for young campers. Activities include nature appreciation, camping skills, canoeing, craft projects, hiking, songs and much more. Children must be age 4 by the first day of camp. Our staff is well trained and motivated to make your child's experience the best it can be.
CAMP HOURS: 8:30-11:30am

ACTIVITY	DATES	ACTIVITY FEE
0400-212	June 18-June 29	Fee: $130 RDF: $110
0400-222	July 2-July 13 (No camp July 4)	Fee: $117 RDF: $99
0400-232	July 16-27	Fee: $130 RDF: $110
0400-242	July 30-Aug 10	Fee: $130 RDF: $110

Camp T-SHIRTS are available to campers for an additional $10. Please place order when you register.
RAINY DAY SCHEDULE: See Rittenhouse Day Camp information on page 23.
REGISTRATION: Complete the registration form provided in this document. A separate registration form is required for each child.

REGISTRATION PROCESS!
Resident processing begins NOW! You can mail, walk in, or fax your registration form at any time or **register online at www.cityofnewarkde.us/parksrecreation.** Registrations will be processed in the order that they are received.

Non-Resident Processing - non-residents may mail, walk in, fax your registration form at any time or **register online at www.cityofnewarkde.us/parksrecreation**. However, non-resident registration forms will not be processed until January 6 in the order in which they are received.