



# LEOMINSTER

## Recreation Department

SUMMER  
2025

Registration  
Begins  
April 8th



# DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

## MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Recreation Department is to provide a wide variety of recreational programs that the residents desire and request along with maintaining recreational property, facilities and equipment.

## STAFF

Lisa Comeau, Director  
Nick Abruzzi, Assistant Director  
Douglas Munroe Jr., Maintenance Supervisor  
Deborah Mathieu, Program Assistant/Office  
Trevor Osterberg, Recreation Supervisor  
Connie Breed, Bookkeeper

## OFFICE

Leominster Recreation Department  
40 Barrett Parkway, Leominster, MA 01453

### Office Hours:

Mon.-Wed. & Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.  
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The Leominster Recreation Department reserves the right to correct any mistakes in this brochure. We also reserve the right to cancel any program because of low enrollment, poor weather, etc.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

It is our goal to offer quality recreational activities for all ages. These activities provide for a cooperative endeavor between the Leominster Recreation Department, the School Department, and the City of Leominster.

## FACILITY LOCATIONS

|   |                              |
|---|------------------------------|
| <b>Doyle Field</b>                          | <b>206 Priest Street</b>     |
| <b>Doyle Tennis &amp; Pickleball Courts</b> | <b>171 Priest Street</b>     |
| <b>Barrett Park</b>                         | <b>40 Barrett Parkway</b>    |
| <b>Arthur A. Fournier Park</b>              | <b>525 Litchfield Street</b> |
| <b>Prospect Park</b>                        | <b>321 Prospect St.</b>      |
| <b>Carter Park</b>                          | <b>125 Main Street</b>       |
| <b>Fay Scharnett Memorial Playground</b>    | <b>300 Merriam Ave.</b>      |
| <b>Third Street Playground</b>              | <b>163 Third Street</b>      |
| <b>Southeast Playground</b>                 | <b>95 Viscoloid Ave.</b>     |
| <b>Johnson Street Park</b>                  | <b>101 Johnson Street</b>    |
| <b>Bennett School</b>                       | <b>145 Pleasant Street</b>   |
| <b>Priest St. School</b>                    | <b>115 Priest Street</b>     |
| <b>Fallbrook School</b>                     | <b>25 DeCicco Dr.</b>        |
| <b>Frances Drake School</b>                 | <b>95 Viscoloid Ave.</b>     |
| <b>Johnny Appleseed School</b>              | <b>845 Main Street</b>       |
| <b>Northwest School</b>                     | <b>45 Stearns Ave.</b>       |
| <b>Samoset School</b>                       | <b>100 DeCicco Dr.</b>       |
| <b>Sky View Middle School</b>               | <b>500 Kennedy Way</b>       |
| <b>Leominster High School</b>               | <b>122 Granite Street</b>    |
| <b>Carter Jr. High Field</b>                | <b>261 West Street</b>       |
| <b>Lassie League Fields</b>                 | <b>20 Bassett Street</b>     |
| <b>Bachand Little League Fields</b>         | <b>40 American Way</b>       |
| <b>National Little League Field</b>         | <b>45 Stearns Ave.</b>       |
| <b>Justin DeSantis Little League</b>        | <b>40 Bernice Ave.</b>       |
| <b>Leominster State Pool</b>                | <b>111 Viscoloid Ave.</b>    |

**NO Smoking, NO Littering, NO Drinking and NO Drugs on Recreation and School Property. FINES WILL BE IMPOSED!**  
**NO Dogs are allowed at Barrett Park or any fenced in playing area.**

## RECREATION COMMISSIONERS

Maureen Donatelli, Chair

Jeff O'Neill, Vice Chair

Thomas Bissonnette, Douglas Cormier

Theresa McEwen, Peggy Stephenson



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# MEDICAL POLICY

The City of Leominster Recreation Department will not prohibit any person's participation in an activity due to a medical condition or disability, unless such condition is likely to cause injury to those individuals or other participants in that activity. A participant, who has been notified by a qualified medical professional, that he/she has a medical condition that is likely to cause injury to themselves or other participants, is obligated to inform the Leominster Recreation Department. The Leominster Recreation Department will work with families to make accommodations or recommend a program that will ensure a safe and successful experience.

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION AND POLICIES

### Registration begins on Tuesday, April 8th

Our office hours are:

Monday – Wednesday & Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., and Thursday until 5:30 p.m.

Registrations are done on a first come first served basis with priority given to Leominster residents. The Recreation Department reserves the right to cap the registrations for any program based on availability of personnel, facilities, or any other factors affecting the programs.

**\*\*NOTE: ALL OUR PROGRAMS ARE PEANUT/TREE NUT FREE\*\***

Register online at <https://leominsterma.myrec.com/info/default.aspx>  
or in the office at 40 Barrett Parkway, Leominster.

Registration closes a week before the program begins or once programs are full.

If you do not receive an email receipt after you register, then your registration is not complete and will not be added to the program until the registration is completed.

**\*\*\*No registrations will be accepted after the deadline.**

Non-residents wishing to register for a program will be allowed only if space permits, with a *\$20.00 increase in fee.*

***ALL registrations are non-refundable unless the Recreation Department cancels a program.***

***\*A \$10 processing fee will be charged if a refund becomes necessary.***

***\*There is a \$25 service charge for all returned checks.***

***Please make note of these important policies.***

# FREE ATTRACTION PASSES AVAILABLE

**ALL PASSES MUST BE RETURNED WITHIN 24 HOURS OF PICKUP TIME**

## TOWER HILL BOTANIC GARDEN PASS

11 French Drive, Boylston

### FREE DAY PASS FOR UP TO 3 PEOPLE

Visit Tower Hill in Boylston all four seasons to view their exquisite gardens, shop in the garden store, hike the trails, take in an event, educational seminar or picnic on the grounds with magnificent views. Open Daily from 10am-5pm. Email the Recreation Dept. to reserve your pass with the day and time you'd like to visit.

## DCR STATE PARKS PASS

### FREE DAY PASS FOR 1 VEHICLE

Leominster residents can borrow a 2025 MA Parks pass free of charge to visit over 50 facilities in the Massachusetts State Parks System. This pass entitles the bearer to free parking for one vehicle (excluding buses and passenger vans) but does not guarantee entry. Email the Recreation Department to reserve your pass with the date you'd like to visit. For a list of MA park facilities where Park Passes may be used, please visit [www.mass.gov/dcr](http://www.mass.gov/dcr).

# DOYLE TENNIS & PICKLEBALL

## KEYS TO DOYLE FIELD TENNIS & PICKLEBALL COURTS

Court keys are \$30.00 for residents and \$50.00 non-residents. A \$5 discount is available upon request for seniors over 65 and active/retired military. Proof of residency or military identification are required for the reduced rate. One discount per individual. Keys are available at the Recreation Department office. Courts will be opened when weather allows. (If you do not wish to purchase a key for the season, you may leave a \$30.00 refundable deposit for 24 hours). New keys will be issued annually. Key holders are required to review & abide by the tennis etiquette and court usage rules. Rules are posted online, and can be found [here](#). For additional information or questions, please email the Recreation Department.

## ADULT TENNIS LESSONS

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**INSTRUCTOR:** Colleen

**DATES:** July 8– August 12 (6 weeks)

**DAYS:** Tuesdays

**TIME:** 6:00-7:30 p.m.

**AGES:** Adults 18 +

**COST:** \$95/\$115

**SITE:** Doyle Tennis Courts



# FAMILY ACTIVITIES



## FAMILY FUN NIGHT AT POLAR PARK!

Come join the Leominster Recreation Department for a night out at Polar Park as the WooSox take on the Durham Bulls on Saturday, May 24th at 4:05 p.m. The tickets are located in section 104. **The cost of the program includes game ticket and a \$10.00 dollar credit built into each ticket for concessions at the park.** You will also have field access after the game. Tickets are limited so sign up and watch the future stars of the Boston Red Sox! **Once registered, pick up your tickets at the Recreation Department office at 40 Barrett Parkway by 4:00pm on Friday, May 23rd! Please note transportation is not included.**

**DATE:** Saturday, May 24th

**COST:** \$35.00 per ticket

**SITE:** Polar Park, 100 Madison St., Worcester

## FAMILY BINGO NIGHT!

Join us for a family night filled with fun and excitement! Our Family Bingo is a great way to have a night out and spend quality time with family. Play is not only for amusement but also for a chance to win great prizes!

**Pre-registration required!**

**DATE:** Thursday, August 21, 2025

**TIME:** 5:30pm - 7:00pm

**AGES:** All

**COST:** \$5.00 Res./\$10 Non-Res.

**SITE:** City Hall Tata Auditorium



## FAMILY SCAVENGER HUNT!

Gather your family for an outdoor adventure at Barrett Park! This Family Scavenger Hunt will take you along the scenic trail loop around the pond, where you'll search for hidden items and explore the beauty of nature along the way. This activity is designed for ages 4-7 and encourages teamwork, curiosity, and outdoor fun. Each family will receive a map upon checking in at Barrett Park and complete the hunt at your own pace. Families who find all the hidden items will receive a small prize. **Children must be accompanied by an adult. Please only register your child with no fee charged for adults.**

**DATE:** Tuesday, August 19, 2025

**TIME:** 5:00 pm - 6:30pm

**CHILDREN AGES:** 4 - 7

**COST:** \$10 Res./\$15 Non-Res.

**SITE:** Barrett Park



# LEOMINSTER STATE POOL INFORMATION

## SWIM PROGRAMS

The Leominster Recreation Department in conjunction with the Department of Conservation and Recreation, will once again manage operations at the State Pool located at 111 Viscoloid Avenue.

The pool will officially open on Saturday, June 21 and close for the season on Sunday, August 17, 2025. A variety of water activities for all ages will be offered; activities will include swim lessons and public swim time.

### POOL HOURS

**Public Swim:** Sunday thru Saturday 12:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

**Group Swim Lessons:** Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

**Private Swim Lessons:** Monday-Friday 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

\*Pool hours subject to change based on staffing and weather

### FEES

**Individual Pass:** Daily \$5.00, Season Pass \$35.00

**Senior (Over 65) or Military:** Daily \$3.00, Season Pass \$30.00

**Two Person Pass:** \$65.00

**Family Season Pass:** \$85.00 for same household family for 3-6 members, including adults

**Group Swim Lessons:** \$75.00 per session

**Private Swim Lessons:** \$125.00 per session

***Swim Lesson Registrations & Pool Passes will be available to purchase online starting on May 6, 2025 See the next page for more information on the swim lesson schedule***

### FAMILY SEASON PASS INFORMATION

We will once again offer family passes for swimming. The cost is \$85.00 for a same household family of 3-6 members including adults for the season. Picture ID for all adult members will be required to purchase a pool pass and when entering the pool. Family passes cannot be used to drop children off for the day without adult supervision. **An adult must accompany children 16 years and younger.**

### FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE FOR FAMILY SEASON PASSES

Financial assistance applications for family pool passes for the Leominster State Pool will be available beginning on May 6, 2025. Applications are available at the Mayor's office on a first come first served basis. **Income tax information and proof of residency for all family members are required.** Financial assistance is "Funded by City of Leominster/CDBG Program or US Dept. of HUD Applications are taken until funding is depleted.



### THIRD STREET PLAYGROUND & SPLASH PARK

Located at 163 Third Street, opens Memorial Day Weekend and closes after Labor Day.

**No dogs allowed.**

### SPLASH PAD AT FOURNIER PARK

Located at 525 Litchfield Street, opens Memorial Day Weekend and closes after Labor Day. Reservations for the pavilion are not accepted and can be used on a first come first served basis. Please be courteous to others and limit the length of stay under the pavilion to two hours. No private parties and no pop-up tents are allowed in the Splash Park area.

**No dogs allowed.**



# LEOMINSTER STATE POOL INFORMATION



## REGISTER FOR SWIM LESSONS ONLINE!!! Registration opens on Tuesday, May 6th

<https://leominsterma.myrec.com/info/activities/>

Swim lessons will once again be offered by the Leominster Recreation Department at the State Pool at 111 Viscoloid Ave. Certified Water Safety Instructors will provide these classes. Group lessons are thirty minutes in length. Learn to Swim Class descriptions are given below. Classes will be held Monday – Friday for two weeks and there will be four different sessions to choose from.

See dates and times below. “Learn-to-Swim” teaches people to swim and to be safe in and around the water.

Private lessons are also available and are thirty minutes in length for a two week period.

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|----------------|---|
| <b>Level 1</b> | <b>Introduction to Water Skills:</b> To help students feel comfortable in the water and to enjoy the water safely.<br><b>Requirements:</b> None. This is a class for those who are brand new or intimidated by the water.   |
| <b>Level 2</b> | <b>Fundamental Aquatic Skills:</b> To give students an introduction to fundamental skills.<br><b>Requirements:</b> Swimmers should already be able to float on front and back (with assistance) and put their head under water.   |
| <b>Level 3</b> | <b>Stroke Development:</b> To build on the skills in Level 2 by introducing new strokes including free style, side breathing and back stroke.<br><b>Requirements:</b> Swimmers should already be comfortable swimming front stroke and swimming on their back.  |
| <b>Level 4</b> | <b>Stroke Improvement:</b> To develop confidence in the strokes learned and improve on other aquatic skills by increasing endurance through swimming greater distances.<br><b>Requirements:</b> Swimmers should already be able to swim front and back crawl 25 yards.  |
| <b>Level 5</b> | <b>Stroke Refinement:</b> Coordination and refinement of strokes<br><b>Requirements:</b> Swimmers should already be able to swim freestyle, breaststroke and backstroke 25 yards, scissors kick, treading water, and dive.  |
| <b>Level 6</b> | <b>Swimming &amp; Skill Proficiency:</b> Refine strokes so students swim with more ease, efficiency, power and smoothness over greater distances.<br><b>Requirements:</b> Swimmers should already be able to swim front and back crawl 50 yds, elementary backstroke 25 yards, breaststroke 25 yards, butterfly 25 yards, sidestroke 10 yards, tread water for 3 minutes, and dive. |

**Anyone who needs special accommodations, please contact the pool at 978-537-8268 or prior to pool opening contact the Recreation Office via email: [recdept@leominster-ma.gov](mailto:recdept@leominster-ma.gov).**

### PRIVATE and GROUP LESSON SESSION DATES

**Session I:** June 23 - July 4 (There will be lessons on July 4th)

**Session II:** July 7- July 18

**Session III:** July 21 - August 1

**Session IV:** August 4 - August 15

**GROUP LESSON COST:** \$75.00 per session

**TIMES:** 30 minute lesson between 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

**PRIVATE LESSON COST:** \$125.00 per session

**TIMES:** 30 minute lesson from 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.



# SUMMER PROGRAMS

5 weeks to  
Choose from!



No Programs  
on July 4

All programs  
Are nut free

Lunches are not provided. Please send your child with a peanut/tree nut free snack, lunch and water bottle.

You will receive a welcome letter the week before with more information on drop off, pickup, what not to bring etc.

## LITTLE FLAMINGOS

This program is designed for ages 4 & 5. The children will interact with peers giving them a social experience and will take part in activities that include arts & crafts, sports, reading, playtime, and more, giving them an educational experience too. We will have theme days with related activities.

**DATES:** June 30 - August 1, 2025 (No program July 4th)

**TIME:** 9:00am - 1:00pm

**AGES:** 4 & 5

**COST:** Monday-Thursday: Week 1: \$100 Res./\$120 Non-Res.  
Monday-Friday: Week 2-5: \$120 Res./\$140 Non-Res.

**SITE:** Leominster United Methodist Church, 77 Hall St.

## SUNSHINE BUNCH

**Sunshine Bunch** is designed for children ages 6-9. All participants will take part in a variety of activities such as **sports, games, hands on building challenges, outdoor fun, and creative projects.** Children will be grouped by age to ensure activities are engaging and age appropriate. Participants will rotate through different activities throughout the day, keeping things exciting and fresh! Each week will feature a different visiting entertainer! Children should bring a peanut/tree nut free snack and lunch each day.

**DATES:** June 30 - August 1, 2025 (No program July 4th)

**TIME:** 9:00am - 3:00pm

**AGES:** 6 - 9

**COST:** Monday-Thursday: Week 1: \$120 Res./\$140 Non-Res.  
Monday-Friday: Week 2-5: \$140 Res./\$160 Non-Res.

**SITE:** Samoset School, 100 DeCicco Drive

## ADVENTURE SQUAD

The adventure squad offers youth ages 10 - 12 a fun filled program with an emphasis on exploration, creativity, and outdoor activities. The program will be based out of Barrett Park and will make use of everything it has to offer. Activities will include arts and crafts, team building exercises, sports, games and nature-based programming. This week long summer program will provide water fun to keep everyone cool during the heat of summer.

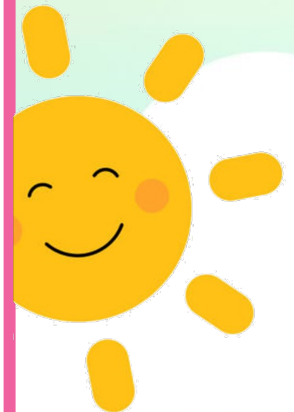
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**TIME:** 9:00am - 3:00pm

**AGES:** 10 - 12

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**SITE:** Barrett Park Program Building

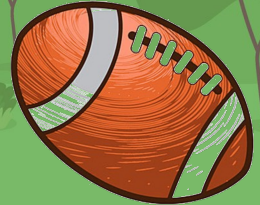


Financial assistance is available for City of Leominster residents only. Assistance is available for these Summer Programs only. Financial Aid is funded through the City of Leominster/CDBG Program or US Dept. of HUD.

**Deadline to apply for Financial Assistance is Friday, May 16, 2025.** You must apply at the Recreation Department. Income tax information and proof of residency for all family members are required. Financial Aid payments must be paid at least two weeks in advance as space is limited. Children are not registered until payment is made for that week before the deadline and if space allows.



# HALF DAY SPORTS PROGRAMS



## GYM CLASS GAMES with SKYHAWKS

Skyhawks provides a wide variety of fun, safe and positive programs that emphasize critical lessons in sports and life, such as teamwork, respect and sportsmanship. Our programs are designed to give each child a positive introduction into sports while fostering a lifelong love for an active, healthy lifestyle. For this program, our patient and knowledgeable staff use a variety of your favorite gym class skill-building games and activities to give each athlete a complete understanding and overview of many different popular sports and games. Sports and games include dodgeball, capture the flag, ultimate frisbee, kickball, wiffle ball, 4 square, flag football and many more. Participants should bring multiple water bottles, two snacks, sunscreen and wear appropriate athletic attire. Every child receives an award certificate and Skyhawks t-shirt.

**DATES:** June 23– 27  
**DAYS:** Monday - Friday  
**AGES:** 8 - 10  
**TIMES:** 9:00am - 12:00pm  
**COST:** \$150 Res./\$170 Non-Res.  
**SITE:** Barrett Park Back Field

## MULTI-SPORTS with SKYHAWKS

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**DATES:** August 4– 8  
**DAYS:** Monday - Friday  
**AGES:** 5 – 7  
**TIMES:** 9:00am - 12:00pm  
**COST:** \$150 Res./\$170 Non-Res.  
**SITE:** Barrett Park Back Field

## YOUTH TENNIS with SKYHAWKS

Serve up fun with Skyhawks Tennis! This program elevates tennis skills by focusing on the techniques of forehand, backhand and scoring while utilizing practice sessions and match play to develop consistent, well-rounded players. Each session also fosters personal growth, emphasizing sportsmanship and perseverance. Participants should bring multiple water bottles, two snacks, sunscreen and wear appropriate athletic attire. Every child receives an award certificate and Skyhawks t-shirt.

**DATES:** August 11– 15  
**DAYS:** Monday - Friday  
**AGES:** 7 - 10  
**TIMES:** 9:30am - 12:30pm  
**COST:** \$150 Res./\$170 Non-Res.  
**SITE:** Doyle Field Tennis Courts



\*Please note that the Skyhawks Programs are outdoor programs and in the event that it is forecasted to have severe weather, the program will be cancelled for that day.

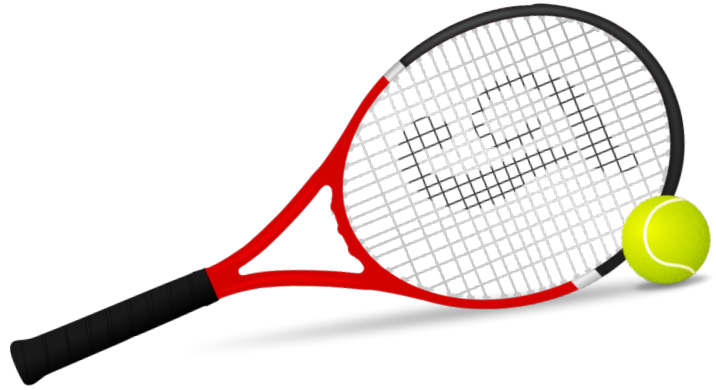
# YOUTH PROGRAMS

## TENNIS LESSONS

**Ages 11-13**    Wednesdays    3:00-4:00 p.m.

**Ages 8-10**    Wednesdays    4:00-5:00 p.m.

**Ages 6-7**    Wednesdays    5:00-6:00 p.m.



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The following is a guide to purchasing the right size racket based on the age of your child.

Children Ages 6 need a 21 inch racket  
Children Ages 7-8 need a 23 inch racket

Children Ages 9-10 need a 25 inch racket  
Children Ages 11 and older need a 26 inch racket

**INSTRUCTOR:** Colleen

**DATES:** July 9– August 13 (6 weeks)

**COST:** \$85 Res./\$105 Non-Res.

**SITE:** Doyle Tennis Courts

## SPORTSMANIA PROGRAM

Get ready for an action packed week of non-stop sports and fun. Our Sports Mania Program is designed for kids who like to stay active, compete, and make new friends. Each day features an exciting rotation of different sports, keeping everyone engaged and energized. With a mix of team sports, participants will build skills, improve teamwork, and enjoy friendly competition in a fun and supportive environment. Please wear athletic clothes, bring a water bottle, and a peanut/tree nut free snack.

**INSTRUCTOR:** Trevor

**DATES:** August 11– 15

**DAYS:** Monday-Friday

**TIME:** 9:00 a.m.– noon

**AGES:** 8-10

**COST:** \$100 Res./\$120 Non-Res.

**SITE:** Barrett Park Back Field

## BASEBALL CLINIC

Step up to the plate for an unforgettable baseball experience! This 4-day clinic is designed for players of all skill levels who want to sharpen their game and have a blast doing it. Over the first three days, participants will work on hitting, fielding, throwing, and base running, along with scrimmages. Then, on day four, we'll cap off the week with an exciting trip to watch a Worcester WooSox game! Bus transportation to and from the ballpark will be provided. Please wear athletic clothes and bring a water bottle each day. Participants should also bring money for food at the WooSox game.

Bring your own equipment if you have it, if not equipment will be available.

**INSTRUCTORS:** Nick & Trevor

**DATES:** August 4– 7

**DAYS:** Monday–Thursday

**TIME: Mon.-Wed: 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. (Lassie League Field)**

**TIME: Thursday: Drop-off at Barrett Park at 10:45 a.m. –  
Return to Barrett Park Approximately 3:00 p.m. after  
the game**

**AGES:** 10– 12

**COST:** \$110/\$130

**SITE:** Lassie League Field, 20 Bassett Street

# YOUTH PROGRAMS

## Slimetopia® 4: Once Upon a Slime© with CHALLENGE ISLAND

Once upon a time there was a bestselling program that turned favorite children's books into fantastical slimy adventures. Our STEAM Teams will mix up new slime classics like Alice's Unbirthday Cake Slime, Charlie's Everlasting Gobstopper Slime, Percy's Blue Cookie Slime, Narnia's Turkish Delight Slime and STEAMwarts Butter Beer Slime. As with all Challenge Island programs, there will be daily games and prizes!

**DATES:** August 4- 8  
**DAYS:** Monday- Friday  
**TIME:** 9:00a.m.- 12:00p.m.  
**AGES:** 6 - 9  
**COST:** \$195 Res./\$215 Non. Res.  
**SITE:** Barrett Park Program Building



## COLOR OUTSIDE THE LINES

Bring out your inner artist with our fun youth art program! Each day will be filled with fun and exciting art activities like air dry foam clay, painting and more. Participants should bring a water bottle and a peanut/tree nut free snack.

**INSTRUCTOR:** Anna  
**DATES:** August 11- 15  
**DAYS:** Monday-Friday  
**TIME:** 1:00- 4:00 p.m.  
**AGES:** 6 - 9  
**COST:** \$100 Res./\$120 Non. Res.  
**SITE:** Barrett Park Program Building



## SAFE SITTER BABYSITTING CLASS

Heather Welch works as a full-time school nurse for the District of Hopedale and part time as an American Heart Association instructor. She has been teaching CPR/AED and First Aid to the community for over 18 years. She has a passion for teaching others as she has over 25 years of medical experience. Her prior experience as a firefighter/paramedic combined with her nursing skills have enabled her to teach students of all ages and backgrounds. Safe Sitter® babysitting classes have been preparing young teens to care for younger children for over 40 years. The program follows guidelines from the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American Heart Association. The class will be a two-part class held in one day. The first part the students will cover the materials of SafeSitter to become certified as a babysitter. The second part of class will cover CPR, First Aid, and choking skills. They will be certified for two years Pediatric first aid/cpr certification through the American Heart Association. This class provides youth who are planning to babysit with the knowledge and skills necessary to safely and responsibly give care for children and infants. This training will help participants to develop leadership skills; learn how to develop a babysitting business, keep themselves and others safe and help children behave; and learn about basic childcare and basic first aid. The recommended age for this course is 11-16 years old or anyone who works with children on a daily basis. Students are welcome to bring a peanut/tree nut free snack/meal and water bottle.

**INSTRUCTOR:** Heather Welch  
**DATE:** Wednesday, July 9, 2025  
**TIME:** 1:30- 6:30 p.m.  
**AGES:** 11-16  
**COST:** \$140 Res./\$160 Non-Res.  
**SITE:** Leominster Emergency Management, 37 Carter St.



# RECREATION DEPARTMENT AND LEOMINSTER TRAIL STEWARDS TRAILS INFORMATION



If you enjoy hiking the Leominster trails and would like to volunteer in their maintenance, we have two options in which you can help the Leominster Trail Stewards:

OPTION ONE: Trail workdays are scheduled on Saturday mornings from 8am-12noon in a select area that needs our efforts. These work days are organized by Dick O'Brien. If you are interested in volunteering, email Dick at [dobrien578@gmail.com](mailto:dobrien578@gmail.com).

OPTION TWO: become a Volunteer Trail Adopter to help maintain a specific segment of trail on your determined schedule. If you are interested in becoming an adopter, contact Anne Seed at [anneseed8@gmail.com](mailto:anneseed8@gmail.com). A copy of the Leominster Trail Steward's [Trail Adopter's Handbook](#) can be found on the Recreation Department website.

If you would like to join the Leominster Trail Stewards committee, contact Neal Wynne at [nwynne51@gmail.com](mailto:nwynne51@gmail.com).

Trail maps can also be found on our website at <https://www.leominster-ma.gov/395/Trails-Hiking-Information-Maps>

To register for a hike, go to <https://leominsterma.myrec.com/info/default.aspx>  
For questions on the hikes, contact Dick O'Brien, Neal Wynne or Anne Seed (emails above)  
Or Judith Sumner at [jsumner55@msn.com](mailto:jsumner55@msn.com).

# RECREATION DEPARTMENT AND LEOMINSTER TRAIL STEWARDS SUMMER HIKING SERIES

In this Hiking Series you will explore various Leominster Trails and out of town sites once a month.

Hikes are led by members of the Leominster Trail Stewards and are no more than 3 miles.

Wear hiking boots, bring water to drink, a light snack, bug repellent, and wear a long-sleeved shirt and pants. Dress in layers. Hiking sticks are helpful to bring, if you have them. Bring a flashlight or headlamp for night hikes.

**COST:** Free (unless noted) -Hikers gather informally and hike at their own risk..

**CANCELLATIONS:** Hikes are cancelled if it rains or if we do not have at least 5 people signed up.

Please let us know if you are planning on joining us on each hike so we can notify you of any changes in the schedule or cancellation due to a low response or weather. Call the Recreation Department at 978-534-7529 for any updates.

## Saturday, May 10th: Full 9-mile North to South Monoosnoc Trail Hike

8:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.

**Leader:** Annie Saball

**Location:** Meet at Sholan Farms (1125 Pleasant St., Leominster) parking lot and carpool to West St. trailhead.

A 9-mile moderate to challenging hike. This is a chance to spend the day (5 to 6 hours) hiking the longest trail in Leominster. A long the route you will experience beautiful vistas, old farmhouse foundations, and get acquainted with other nature loving hikers. Wear hiking boots, bring water to drink, a snack, and wear long-sleeved shirt and pants. Dress in layers. Hiking sticks are helpful to bring if you have them.

## Sunday, June 8th: National Trails Day Leominster State Forest Hike

10:00 a.m.

**Leader:** Art O'Leary

**Location:** Meet at Leominster State Forest trailhead parking lot (1022-992 Elm St., Leominster)

3-miles, moderate hike. Celebrate National Trails Day with other nature lovers and enjoy the diverse terrain that Leominster State Forest has to offer. Wear hiking boots, bring water to drink, a snack, and wear long-sleeved shirt and pants. Dress in layers. Hiking sticks are helpful to bring if you have them. Pets on leashes welcomed.

## Saturday, July 12th: Prospect Park Outer Loop Hike

10:00 a.m.

**Leader:** Neal Wynne

**Location:** Meet at Prospect Park parking lot, 299 Prospect Street, Leominster

1.5-miles, easy hike. Enjoy exploring a Leominster hidden gem. Meander through tree-lined paths, cross over small stream bridges, and see what wildlife calls this little paradise home. Dress for a summer walk, but long pants are recommended. Wear proper footwear, bring water to keep hydrated, and a favorite snack.

## Sunday, August 17th: Lynde Basin Trail Hike, also known as the Weekepeke Trail

1:00 p.m.

**Leader:** Neal Wynne

**Location:** Meet at Barrett Park Parking lot and carpool to the small parking area at 88-70 Heywood Rd, Sterling.

3-miles, moderate hike. Wear hiking boots, bring water to drink, a snack, and wear long-sleeved shirt and pants. Dress in layers. Hiking sticks are helpful to bring if you have them.

## Monday, September 22nd: Fall equinox Hike at Boutelle Conservation Area

10:00 a.m.

**Leader:** Leader: Deb Giovannucci

**Location:** Meet at Boutelle trail Head parking lot , 193 Hill St. Leominster

This is a 2-mile, moderate hike through a meadow and wooded trails. See remnants of an old farm, a hidden vista of Leominster, and a chance to see wildlife such as deer, and turkeys. Wear hiking boots, bring water to drink, a snack, and wear long-sleeved shirt and pants. Dress in layers. Hiking sticks are helpful to bring if you have them.

