



SPRINGFIELD RECREATION DEPARTMENT

RECREATION BASKETBALL

Boys Grades 3-12 • Girls Grades 4-12
Fall 2026/Winter 2027



Participation is open to children who reside in or attend a school in Springfield

Evaluations: To ensure that teams are comprised of players of equal age, skill, and height, players are asked to attend an evaluation session with our volunteer coaches. Evaluation location, dates, and times will be announced soon. Please do not submit friend/carpool requests for teams.

Grades 3-8: Players will be separated in divisions based on gender and grade. Divisions may be comprised of various grades – based on player enrollment, team sizes, gym time, coach availability, and other factors. Weekly practices start in November 2026. Regular season games begin in December 2026 or January 2027. Playoffs begin in March 2027. All teams make the playoffs. No games are scheduled for December 26-27, 2026; January 2-3, 2027; and February 13-14, 2027, in observance of holidays. Schedule is dependent on coach and gym availability.

Grades 9-12*: This division will be separated by gender, if enrollment allows. Players will receive a reversible jersey and will be supervised by volunteer coaches in a pick-up/open-gym format. We are planning for Sunday mornings, but gym and season dates/times will be announced soon. Schedule is dependent on volunteer coach and gym availability.

* This division needs minimum enrollment and volunteer coaches in order to run or it will be canceled.

Commitment: Children who plan to play for school or travel teams, or who plan to participate in other sports or activities, are expected to make and keep their commitment to their recreation basketball team.

Fees:

- **Grades 3-8:** \$205 per child (jersey, officials, time clock operators/scorekeepers, equipment, playoffs)
- **Grades 9-12:** \$45 per child (jersey, equipment, coach supervision)

Register on Community Pass:

- <https://register.communitypass.net/springfield>
- Visa, Mastercard, or Discover



Deadline:

- Friday, October 30, 2026
- After the deadline, a team spot is subject to availability. Register for the free waitlist on Community Pass. If a team spot becomes available, you will be contacted to register and pay.

Refunds:

- No refunds after Friday, October 30, 2026, unless your child's team spot is filled from the waitlist.
- All refunds are subject to a \$15 administrative fee, per Township Ordinance.

Coaches Needed: The success of our program is largely due to the efforts of our volunteer coaches. If you have basketball or coaching experience, or are willing to assist, please fill out that section in your child's registration on Community Pass. A basketball-specific training session for coaches will be held in November 2026. Details to follow. Volunteer coaches must attend a one-time Rutgers S.A.F.E.T.Y. clinic and pass a criminal background check via fingerprinting, per Township Ordinance and Recreation Department regulations. For more information, contact Brendan O'Reilly, Assistant Director of Recreation, at brendan.oreilly@springfield-nj.us.

Questions: Samaar Nelson, Recreation Program Coordinator, at samaar.nelson@springfield-nj.us or (973) 912-2227.