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Registration for Beach Permits and Spring, Summer Programs Starts March 6: Here Are Some Offerings

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Darien Parks and Recreation Department is pleased to announce that registration for 2019 spring & summer programs, as well as the sale of 2019 beach permits, will begin on Wednesday, March 6 [online, here](#).

Program registration and beach permit sales will also be accepted through the mail or in-person in Room 110 of the Darien Town Hall, starting March 6.

— *an announcement from Darien Parks and Recreation Department*

For more information please call the office at 203-656-7325.

Darien Parks and Recreation Department offers a variety of programs for town residents.

Program offerings will be accessible online starting Friday, Jan. 25.

The 2019 spring and summer brochure, ***which includes the beach permit application***, will be mailed out to all Darien residents the week of Feb. 18. This brochure will include popular programs such as Tiny Tots Soccer, New Level Tennis Lessons, piano lessons, science classes, and many fun-filled summer sports camps.

Winter Programs

Youth Programs

February Vacation Camp: The Parks and Recreation Department and Overtime Athletics have joined forces to bring this fun-filled camp to the youth of Darien. Camp will be held on Friday, February 15th and Tuesday, February 19th – Friday, February 22nd. Parents have the choice of registering for all five days from 9 AM – 4 PM for \$290, all five days from 9 AM – Noon for \$160 or daily from 9 AM – 4 PM for \$65/day. This exciting variety sports camp for children ages 5 – 12 includes instruction in the fundamentals of such traditional sports as basketball and soccer as well as utilizing Overtime Athletics signature curriculum incorporating non-traditional sports such as kickball, relay races, and cooperative games. The camp will be held at the Darien Town Hall. Camp fee includes snacks – full-day participants should bring lunch each day.

Tiny Tots Soccer: Blue Wave Kickers' Tiny Tots Soccer engages children in physical activity while developing their motor and basic soccer skills. Mommy & Me classes are offered on Saturday mornings and classes for children ages 3 – 5 are offered Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. Classes start the week of January 28th. Please visit the Parks & Recreation website for a complete list of classes and fees.

Blue Wave Kickers Little Athletes: Blue Wave Kickers staff will engage your child in physical activity while developing motor skills and sports fundamentals. We will help your child build confidence and self-esteem by playing fun games built around sports such as soccer, basketball and t-ball. This program will run on Wednesdays from 1:30 – 2:15pm for 6 weeks in the Town Hall gymnasium beginning January 30th. The fee for this program is \$120 for Darien residents; \$144 for non-residents.

Horses 101: Introduction to horses will be offered at Mead Farm in Stamford this winter. Each session will include a ½ hour horseback riding lesson in the outdoor ring and ½ hour horsemanship class covering general horse care, grooming, tacking & untacking. Participants must fill out a waiver packet before 1st session. Lessons are offered on Sundays starting March 3rd – 24th from 12:30 – 1:30 PM. Program fee is \$290; \$348 for non-residents.

Coding in Minecraft: This class is more than just "mining" and "crafting" in Minecraft. Students will learn a range of coding concepts like loops, functions and conditionals using JAVA to create MODs for the game. This is a fun introduction to object-oriented programming. Classes meet Mondays from March 4th – 25th in room 205 of the Mather Center. This program, for children ages in grades 2 - 5, will meet from 4 – 5:30 PM. The fee for this program is \$130 for Darien residents; \$156 for non-residents.

Adult Programs

PiYo: PiYo isn't like standard Pilates and yoga classes that make you hold long, intense poses, or lead you through dozens of repetitive, microscopic core movements. PiYo speeds everything up - including your results - by introducing you to dynamic, flowing sequences that can burn serious calories at the same time as they lengthen and tone your muscles and increase your flexibility. PiYo combines the muscle-sculpting, core-firming benefits of Pilates with the strength and flexibility advantages of yoga. Equipment Required: Mat, Water bottle. Classes will be held in the Town Hall gymnasium Thursday mornings for 6 weeks from 9:30 – 10:30am starting January 31st. Program fee is \$90 for Darien residents; \$108 for non-resident