

Department Programs Policy

All full-time staff are encouraged to be innovative; propose programs that will meet the needs of Evendale residents; and promote the spirit of our Mission Statement. In addition, programs will be based on good taste, redeeming social values, funding and fees, and fun.

Priority for Registration

Most programs, classes, activities, or special events are open on a fee basis to residents and eligible family residents on a first priority basis, and business residents and nonresidents on a secondary basis. Business residents and nonresidents may register (based on availability) for programs, activities, classes, or special events after the program's registration deadline date has passed for residents and eligible family residents. The Village reserves the right to exclude or limit the participation of business residents and nonresidents in our programs, activities, classes, or special events.

Program-Specific Policies

1. Children's Programs

A variety of programs are offered in the morning or afternoon - age range is 18 months to 6 years, and specific age ranges vary according to the program or class.

2. Phi Lambda Pi

The group stands for service, friendship, and play - this program will serve 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th & 12th graders residing in the Village of Evendale - an open house is held every Wednesday from 7:00-9:00 PM at the Recreation Center - in addition, bi-monthly meetings take place at the Recreation Center - there are many activities, service projects & fund-raisers throughout the year.

3. Crew 57

This program was designed to meet the growing needs of the pre-teen population. The program will serve 5th, 6th & 7th graders residing in the Village of Evendale.

4. Special Events/Family (Watch this website for updates)

5. Group Swim Lessons

Ages infant and up - various skill levels during summer swimming season.

6. Tennis Lessons

Designed for all ages, and for all skill levels, a fee is required; dates and times are publicized via the monthly newsletter.

7. Adult Services

Addresses the growing needs of wholesome activities for adults with leisure needs - must be at least 18 years of age to participate (and out-of high school) - the publication, "Villager's Voice", is mailed monthly to patrons who have purchased a membership card, and who are on the mailing data base list - group participates in numerous trips, activities, and special events throughout the year. An annual membership fee is required.

8. Childcare

An hourly fee will be charged to patrons who use this service. A 2-hour limit will be enforced for this service.

Team Sports

A primary objective of the Village of Evendale Recreation Department is to provide recreational team sports opportunities for all residents and business patrons who want to participate. The Commission has formulated these policies to foster this participation, to increase the enjoyment and development of the participating players, and to provide guidelines for players, coaches, parents and Department personnel.

Youth

Eligibility

All Evendale youth are eligible to sign-up for recreational team sports despite ability.

The Department will permit eligible family members and non-residents to play on Evendale recreational teams under the following conditions: (see Appendix)

- the rules of the specific sport league permit it, and all forms have been completed
- the resulting team size is within the minimum and maximum team size
- the players and their guardians agree to abide by general operating and youth sport policies set forth; e.g. team selection, playing time, code of conduct, etc.
- the coach(es) involved are consulted
- a parent (s)/guardian(s) must participate in the PAYS program before a child is eligible to participate in our soccer and basketball youth sports leagues

Non-Evendale (excluding business children, up to five (5) families, on swim team) children are not allowed to participate on the swim or tennis teams. Coaches may recruit players; however, these players are not guaranteed to be on their team unless approved by the Program Supervisor.

Sign-Ups

1. Every sports league program has registration deadlines and unique rules on how the ERD must assemble teams. The Department will establish sign-up periods for each sport and will allow enough advance time for complete teams to be assembled before league registration deadlines.

2. Because of team size restrictions, signing up does not guarantee a position on a team roster. Therefore, the Department takes sign-ups on a first-come, first-serve basis. Reasonable efforts will be made to create additional teams when available teams are over-enrolled.

3. Team Size: the Department establishes minimum team sizes for each sport based upon experience. This is done to reduce forfeited games and to assure that players have reasonable rest breaks that the Department would expect for that sport.

4. The Department establishes maximum team sizes for each sport based upon experience. This is done to assure reasonable levels of playing time for each registered player and to assure that each has the opportunity to receive appropriate amounts of direction from coaches.

5. The Department, from time to time, will approve minor changes to the minimum or maximum team sizes to deal with unique circumstances that may arise. The Department may consult a team coach(es) if we make changes.

6. Medical Form: A participation agreement must be completed if a child participates in a Department sponsored sports program:-

7. The Department will not allow a child to move up to an older age division, unless the younger division has an abundance of players and the older division is short of players. If there is a special request to move a player up, the program supervisor will consider the request. The program supervisor will make a final decision after the supervisor confers with the player's past coach(es) and future coach(es).

Junior Tennis League is designed to provide youth the opportunity to test their skills against players from around Cincinnati. Players should have intermediate skills and be able to serve, rally and keep score. Practice is held at least three (3) hours per week. A fee is required. Staff has the authority to move a player(s), if the player's skill level does not meet the above criteriam.

Swim Team

The "Evendale Eagles" swim team is a family oriented organization dedicated to competitive swimming. The team practices on weekday mornings, and meets are held on Tuesday & Thursday (practice begins before Memorial Day and the season ends usually the 3rd week of July). A fee is required to participate. There is no minimum age limit, and a swimmer must be in high school and not over the age of 18 years. Note: Participants must be able to swim comfortably in the pool, be able to push off the wall, and be able to swim to the first row of flags. At this time, if resident participant numbers are under 190 before the parents' meeting, then up to five (5) "business" families can register their children and participate on the swim team. The "business" family must, at least, purchase a "business" family pool membership.

Adult

The purpose of adult sports leagues is to get people who live and/or work in Evendale participating in recreational activities, with participation, good fair play, and fair play.

Eligibility

1. A resident team must maintain 50% resident roster. A team sponsored by a business must maintain 50% business roster. Non-resident teams, if space is available in the league/division, are eligible to play. Team entry fee must be in by the "early" deadline date, or a late payment fee will be applied to the all team entry fees. A higher entry fee for business sponsored teams and non-resident teams will be designated. Returning teams are (in priority order): 1) played in the league the previous season and finished the season in good standing, and have the same manager and at least five returning players from that team; 2) have the same sponsor and at least five returning players from that team; or 3) have at least five returning players from that team, (exception-softball league seven returning players.)
2. All business team members must work full-time/permanent for a company in Evendale. The Department or league will require verification of the roster to verify employment. Either by asking team to supply company photo id copies or authorization from their Human Resource Department.
3. Players residing or working in Evendale at a company that does not have enough players to form a team, must register at the Recreation Department. If possible, these players will be assigned to a team or other individual players who register may be assigned to the company core list to form a team.
4. Unless stated in specific sport league rules, all players must be 18 years of age or older, and out of high school. Players may play on only one (1) team in the league.