

Carroll County Department of Recreation & Parks Recreation Council Newsletter



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Recreation Council News

For More Information, Visit Your Local Recreation Council Websites Below

[Central Carroll Recreation Council](#): Provides recreational opportunities in the Finksburg, Westminster and the surrounding areas. Contact Community Coordinator: Steve Krouse skrouse@carrollcountymd.gov

[Charles Carroll Recreation Council](#): Provides recreational opportunities in the Myers District, and surrounding areas. Contact: Candy Sample csample@carrollcountymd.gov

[Freedom Area Recreation Council](#): Provides recreational opportunities in the Freedom, Sykesville, Eldersburg and surrounding areas. Contact Community Coordinator: Natalie Janoski njanoski@carrollcountymd.gov

[North Carroll Recreation Council](#): Provides recreational opportunities in the Hampstead, Manchester, and surrounding areas. Contact Community Coordinator: Maria Artista martista@carrollcountymd.gov

[West Carroll Recreation Council](#): Provides recreational opportunities in the New Windsor, Union Bridge, Taneytown, and surrounding areas. Contact Community Coordinator: Penny Rockwood prockwood@carrollcountymd.gov

[Westminster Area Recreation Council](#): Provides recreational opportunities in the Westminster and surrounding areas. Contact Community Coordinator: Laine Janoski ejanoski@carrollcountymd.gov

[Winfield Area Recreation Council](#): Provides recreational opportunities in the Winfield and surrounding areas. Contact Community Coordinator: Natalie Janoski njanoski@carrollcountymd.gov

[Woodbine Recreation Council](#): Provides recreational opportunities in the Woodbine, Mt. Airy, and surrounding areas. Contact Myiah Edwards medwards@carrollcountymd.gov

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Good Sportsmanship Policy/Code of Conduct

Carroll County Department of Recreation & Parks recognizes that recreational and youth sports play a vital role in promoting the physical, social, and emotional development of children. We also recognize the need to provide a fun and safe playing environment for all. Therefore, all coaches, players, parents, and guests must abide by our Good Sportsmanship Policy/Code of Conduct, [available here](#).

Happy Thanksgiving

SPORTS & ACTIVITIES

Don't miss out

Freedom Area Recreation Council

Freedom Lacrosse – Registration is open!

Register your child TODAY for the 2026 Season – by BIRTH DATE!

If your child is old for their grade and was born before September 1st, there is a chance they will not be aligned with other athletes in the same grade as them. Please contact us if this is your issue and we will work to resolve it. Email - flp.patriots@gmail.com

Freedom Fire Stars Registration Fee includes baton Regional & State Dance Twirl Team Champions! Under the direction of Judi Marlatt

Come be a part of our champion twirling teams! Ages 4 and up. Classes held at Piney Ridge Elementary School Gym.

Thursday Beginner class 6:30 - 7:30 pm (1hour class)
Tuesday and Saturday Advance Class
6:30 – 8:00 pm, Tuesday and Saturday
Classes start September 16th. Class times are determined by coach.
Beginner class: \$450, year Advance class: \$490, year
Payment plan: \$200 due at time of registration. Final Payment due November 30, 2025, or you may pay in full at time of registration.

For questions contact: coachjudi@comcast.net

Stepping Stars Dance (Registration)

Fall 2025 – Registration is open

CLASS LOCATION: South Carroll Senior and Community Center - 5928 Mineral Hill Road - Eldersburg, Md 21784
Classes run through June 11, 2026.

Class Schedule:

10:30 am-11:30 am: 3- and 4-year-olds - \$70.00

11:30 am-12:30 pm: 5yr old/Kinder/1st/2nd Gr - \$70.00

12:30 pm -1:30 pm: 3rd-5th Gr - \$70.00

Monday

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm: 3rd/4th Gr (Ballet, Tap, Jazz) - \$400.00

7:30 pm– 9:00 pm: 6th-12th Gr (Ballet, Tap, Jazz) - \$425.00

Tuesday

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm: 5yo/1st/2nd Gr (Ballet, Tap) - \$400.00

Wednesday

6:30 pm -7:00 pm: 2 years old (Pre-Ballet only – parent and me format) - \$355.00

7:00 pm– 9:00 pm: Dance Company (Must be enrolled in Monday 7:30 class) - \$300.00

Thursday

6:30 pm– 7:30 pm: 3 and 4 years old (Ballet and Tap) - \$400.00

7:30 pm– 8:30 pm: 5th Grade (Ballet, Tap, Jazz) - \$400.00

**Approved
Volunteers**



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Freedom Area Recreation Council

Freedom Youth Volleyball Clinics 2025 & Winter League
Registration Open! LOCATION: South Carroll Senior and Community Center - 5928 Mineral Hill Road - Eldersburg, Md

Register for 1 (\$60) or 2 (\$100) nights a week!!

Monday Clinics: 12/1 – 12/15 **Wed. Clinics:** 12/3-12/17
Kinder to Grade 2, 6-7 PM
Grades 3-5, 7-8 PM
Grades 6-9, 8-9 PM

Winter League: Exact Dates TBD

Divisions will be Grades 6-9 & Grades 3-5

Practices begin in January

League play February – Mid March

We need volunteers – If you can help in any way, please consider Volunteering - register at our [volunteer link](#).

Jilienne Widener at jwidene1@jh.edu

North Carroll Recreation Council

Manchester Wrestling: 2025-2026 ([Register](#))

NCRC Striking Cobra Martial Arts

North Carroll Senior and Community Center
2328 Hanover Pike, Hampstead, MD 21074.
Ages 7 years and up.
Classes 6:30 - 7:30pm
Tuesday and Thursday.
First 2 classes always free!
Contact us at jhesen@comcast.net

Charles Carroll Recreation Council

Girls Fastpitch Softball: Registration for Cyclones Spring 2026 is now open! 8U \$85, and 10U/12U \$130, (\$10 discount offered before 1/15/26). Practices begin mid-March at Cherrytown Park field, games are played in the Carroll County area. Our focus is teaching the girls to be “brilliant at the basics” in a fun, family-like environment. Follow us at <https://www.facebook.com/CharlesCarrollCyclones>. Info: Heather Roseman coachheatherccrc@gmail.com



DEPARTMENT NEWS

- [Jingles and Jammies](#) – December 5, ages 3-8 at the Charles Carroll Community Center, 6-7:30 p.m. (Santa Event)
- Santa Wagon Rides ([Registration Opens November 7, 2025](#))
- January 1, 2026 – Summer Camp Guide will be released.
- January 1, 2026 – First Day Hike at Piney Run Park! 8:30 – 11:00 AM.
- January 2, 2026, Summer Camp Registration Opens. (Get your [Nature Center Membership](#) early for camp discount)