BRYAN
Parks and Recreation Department

Winter 2025
Programs and Activities

MISSION STATEMENT

To create strong ties within the Bryan community in order to achieve diverse leisure experiences, to preserve and utilize the natural beauty of our environment, and to enhance the quality of life for all."

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OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY THRU FRIDAY 8:30AM-3:30PM

(Second floor of the Don North Building)
We may be reached by phone from 7:30Am - 3:30PM

Community Center - 1130 Buffalo Road

East End Community Room - 1400 E. High Street

MacDonald-Ruff Ice Arena - 601 Townline Road

Fountain City Amphitheater - 526 Avenue B

Dear City of Bryan Residents,

My how time flies, 2025 is here!!! The Parks and Recreation Department would like to take this opportunity to thank the community of Bryan for their continued support of our department. We would also like to know if there is anything we can do to improve the quality of the parks and recreation experience here in Bryan. Please do not hesitate to call us at 419-633-6030 with suggestions, ideas or problems that you may have with the Parks and Recreation programs and activities we offer.

On behalf of the entire City of Bryan's Parks and Recreation Department staff, we would like to wish each one of you a HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! Remember, the benefits of Parks and Recreation are Truly Endless.

Sincerely,

Benjamin M. Dominique
Director, Parks and Recreation

Bruce Wheeler
Assistant Director, Parks and Recreation

Fees are charged for classes to cover salaries of instructors. Therefore no refunds can be given after a class begins. Classes will be cancelled prior to there scheduled starting date if minimum registration has not been reached (fees will be refunded in full). **Fees are due at the first class of each session.** Make checks payable to the Bryan Recreation Department. You may register for any class by calling the Parks & Recreation office (419-633-6030), in person at the office (1399 E. High Street, second floor of the Don North Building) or email parks-rec@cityofbryan.com

WILLIAMS COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

To learn about Safe Communities, Healthy Ohioans, walking directories and more: visit the WCHD website at www.williamscountyhealth.org. Start the New Year with a plan to get healthy. Search other health related website links at www.co.williams.oh.us/health.

BLACK SWAMP ART GUILD

Join a group of people who share the common interest of art…..all forms of art. Meet one month to share talents, ideas, receive instruction, and to create within a group. There is yearly membership fee. Meetings are held the 4th Monday of each month at the Community Center. For more information email blackswampartguild@gmail.com

PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

This state-licensed and professionally run program includes supervised activities for 3,4, and 5 year olds. This program runs from late August thru mid-May. Children must be 3 years old by September 30th. The 3 & 4 year olds meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00-11:30 12:30-3:00 PM. The 4 & 5 year olds meet on Mon., Wed., & Fri. from 8:30-11:30 AM or 1 3:30 PM. Curriculum includes supervised activities such as workshops, show & tell, circle individual work time with the teacher, songs, art projects, large motor activities, moveme music, and snack time. Please register or place your name on a waiting list by calling 419 6030.

FACILITIES RENTALS

Looking for a place to picnic or meet in 2025? Now is the time to make your reservations. The Parks Department has a community center, six shelters with electricity and restrooms, an ice rink, and four open-air pavilions available for rental at reasonable prices. Moore pool can also be rented on Friday or Saturday evenings during the summer. Call 419-633-6030 today to make your 2025 reservations.

EVENTS & CLASSES

COMMUNITY ADULT WALKING PROGRAM

With winter putting a halt to many outdoor activities, we encourage area adults to sign up for this great opportunity. Thanks to the Bryan City Schools you will have the opportunity to walk the halls of the Bryan Elementary School during the winter. This activity is for adults 18 and older. Please carry in the shoes that you are planning to walk in, it is important to keep the hallways dry and safe. Please sign up at the Parks and Recreation Department office in the Don North Building to receive your walking pass. All participants must have a walking pass. This is a free activity. Walking will be cancelled when schools are closed for inclement weather and holidays. This walking program **starts January 7th** and will run thru March 20th. held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:00-8:00 PM.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Kids (ages 9 - under), hunt for candy and prizes under the supervision of, his truly, the Easter Bunny. This traditional activity includes plenty of prizes and candy. Kids will divided into 3 age groups and there will be plenty of candy for all. Tickets will be handed out and one winner will be drawn from each age group for a large prize. Kids should bring their own baskets or bags. The Community Easter Egg Hunt will take place in the Bryan Elementary School gym starting at 10:00 A.M. on Saturday, April 12th.

EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA

Come check out the 11th annual Easter Eggstravaganza at Mattie Marsh Park (in case of inclement weather the event will be held at Eastland Baptist Church). Here will your child(ren) hunt for sweet treats, they will discover the sweetest truth ever - **why we celebrate Easter**. This family friendly event will be a wonderful time, so come taste and see!!! For more information, please call Eastland Baptist Church at 419-636-3835 for date & time.

Mattie Marsh Park
No Charge

FOUNTAIN CITY SLEDDING HILL

Hopefully our sledding hill will get lots of use this winter! Come to the park, under the water tower on South Union Street when the weather cooperates, bundle up right & sled with your friends. The city asks you to observe these basic rules for safety:

Use north side only for sledding.
Check lane for clearance before going down.
Climb hill on east or west ramps only.
Immediately clear area after sled ride.
Watch and avoid other sleds approaching
No sledding on east or west ramps.

MASTERPIECE MODELING PROGRAM

Create a sense of accomplishment in building your own interesting project. Based on availability, this program includes all types of military vehicles, people figures and civilian projects including fire trucks, law enforcement , emergency vehicles and ships/boats. KC Potts will be the instructor. He is a long term member of the International Plastic Modelers Society, has been featured in Museums around the World, has had over 1,500 Clients & Donors since 1980 and has run programs in the Suburban Chicago Park Districts for ages 8-67 for six years. This program will teach you to read and follow directions while creating your own masterpiece. This Class will run for 4 consecutive Tuesday's and will be held in KC's shop, 131 Deerfield Circle. All students are encourage to include another family member (Parent, Grandparent, Aunt, Uncle, Etc.) at no additional cost. KC's hope is that each student will create a lasting connection with the person that they include in the class. Class sizes are very limited so please register early, 419-633-6030.

Students (Ages 7+) will learn the basics of modeling using only beginner safety tools, some filing or sanding, minimal gluing and user-friendly cutting tools. Depending on the skill level, some Students may try water based paints at a very low impact level. All tools, supplies and 2 model kit choices (from our beginner assortment) are included in the fee $45.00. An intermediate level will be available to those that complete this beginners class.

Tuesdays, 4:00-6:00 PM
January 21 - February 11
$45.00 for 4 Nights

WINTER CLASSES

You may register for any class by phone (419-633-6030) or email: parks-rec@cityofbryan.com

MINI CHEFS

Unlock your Child's culinary creativity with Mini Chef Classes! Discover the joy of cooking with Miss Courtney. Designed for kids ages 4-10, these sessions offer a perfect blend of fun, learning and hands-on experience. We'll [illegible] er new flavors, make our very own snack [illegible] practice safe kitchen skills.

* contact prior to class if any allergy co[illegible]
Class size is limited; call 419-633-6030 [illegible] register.

Saturdays, 11:00 AM -12:00 PM
East End Community Room
$10.00 per child/per session

Session I: January 4th Smores Galore
Session II: February 1st Berry Sweet Treats
Session III: March 1st Candy Sushi
Session IV: April 5th Puppy Chow & Mix Creations

SILLY SCIENTIST * WINTER THEME

Children ages 4-10 put on your lab coat and step into a world of curiosity and discovery. Children will conduct experiments that fizz, fly, stick and even create artwork! This fun filled class is sure to strike the curiosity of every little mad scientist. This class will be held at the East End Community Room (preschool classroom) and will ha[illegible] experiments. Join us for some W[illegible] Call 419-633-6030 to register.

Saturday, February 8th
10:00-11:15 AM; $10.00

CHEERLEADING CAMP

(**Preschool-6th grade**) Would you like to learn cheers and chants? This camp will introduce jumping and arm placement skills needed for cheerleading along with the basic motions. You will then practice these skills through cheers and chants. This camp will run for two nights and follow up with cheering under the Friday night lights cheering with the Bryan Golden Bear Cheerleaders at the basketball game on January 31st. Instructors: Bryan High School Cheerleaders. Call 419-633-6030 to preregister.

Tuesday & Thursday, January 28th & 30th; 5:00-6:00 PM
Upstairs Gym **BRYAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**
(2 nights), $20.00 - Includes a T-Shirt
CHEER AT THE GAME ON JANUARY 31st

CHILDREN'S CRAFT AND ACTIVITY

(Ages 4-10) We have some fun planned for boy and girls this Fall. They will start with crafts and end with a fun activity to get your children moving. Have your child join instructors Courtney Powell so that they can have fun making crafts, dancing, and playing games while meeting new friends. There will be different crafts and activities at each session, sign up for one or all three! There is a limit of 12 for each session so call early to reserve a spot (419-633-6030). Classes will take place in the East End Community Room (Parks & Recreation pre-school room).

Saturdays, 10:00-11:15 AM
$10.00 per child/per session
Session I: January 18th Winter Theme
Session II: February 15th Valentine Theme
Session III: March 15th Art Theme
Session IV: April 26th Spring Theme

YOGA CLASS

Yoga is a great way to calm your mind and relieve stress while increasing your flexibility, strength and balance. You're sure to learn something new, and at the same time, get rid of that stress you've built up throughout the day. Standing, seated and lying poses are included in this class, ending with a deep relaxation. All fitness levels are welcome in this class; although you must be able to climb stairs, for this class is held on the second floor. Bring a towel or mat to class. Instructor, Dawn Davis

Wedne[illegible] 5:30 6:15 PM
Commu[illegible] upstairs
6 Weeks[illegible] session
January[illegible]uary 19th

FOUNTAIN CITY AMPHITHEATER

The City of Bryan Parks and Recreation Department would like to thank all of 2024 season sponsors, boosters and event attendees of the Fountain City Amphitheater. In 2025 we are looking to host approximately 6 concerts, a variety of family events, comedy nights, story times, fitness classes and worship, as well as continuing to highlight local talent. We will also feature concerts, yoga, and more from May through August, all free!

Go to www.fountaincity.com for donation opportunities.

Fountain City Amphitheater Thanks our 2024 Sponsors and Boosters

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Altenloh, Brinck Company (Tru-Fast)
Bard Manufacturing Company
Becker & Scrivens Concrete Products
Bill's Locker Room
Black Swamp Equipment
Bryan Civic League
Bryan Dental Group
Bryan Eagles
Bryan Ford, Lincoln
Bryan Lions Club
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SPORTS FOR ALL AGES

GIRLS SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

Website: bryanyouthsports.com/softball

Facebook: Bryan Girls Softball Association

Twitter: @bryan_softball

Registrations will be taken online at bryanyouthsports.com/softball

BRYAN PARKS AND RECREATION TOT LEAGUE - (Boys and Girls, ages 4-6)

only league run by the Bryan Parks and Dept. Sign up sheets will be distributed ols in April or will be available on our ttps://www.cityofbryan.com/parks-recreation/
Parks Department 419-633-6030

LEISURE WALKING PATHS

There has been a slow but steady growth in the n of Walk-Bike Paths in and around the City of Br past several years. If you haven't already tried so these, please take note:
Recreation Park Trail (half-mile) – begins at Center Street or Moore Park parking lot.
Recreation Park Loop (.9 mile) - Baseball side loop.
Memorial Trail (.9 mile) - Soccer Side; accessible from Newdale Drive or Townline Road. On the West side of Newdale Drive.
Garver Park (.7 mile) The outside loop of the walking paths.
Mattie Marsh Park (one mile & 1/2 mile) Trail - begins & ends at Mattie Marsh shelter house on Trevitt St.
Williams & Defiance County Joint Watershed (1.3 mile) Trail – begins in parking lot off County Road C.

WALK, JOG, AND BIKE CLUB

J members that racked up a combined total of 33, miles in 2023. No matter how many walk, jog, miles you total, report them weekly or monthly s 2025 mileage tee-shirt at the end o e of color). Call 419-633-6030 to report Monday-Friday, 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM. ter than October 31st.

BRYAN BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

Registration online: https://www.bryanyouthsports.com/baseball

For more information visit https://www.bryanyouthsports.com/baseball or e-mail bryanlittleleague@gmail.com

David Betts Double Play Diamond memberships available upon request.

CHURCH SOFTBALL LEAGUE

Must be over 14 to play. Do not have to be from Bryan to play.
Call Mark Brandt, 419-636-7870, to register a team.

PICKLEBALL

They play a Round Robin style, which mixes everyone up, so please be there and ready to p times! Expect to play for approxima &

times for the Social Drop-Ins are (ev l skill levels, they are kind to each other!)
Mondays and Wednesdays 5 p.m.
Tuesdays and Fridays 9 a.m.
Sundays - watch there facebook page (East End Pickleball!) for times (and feel free to start the conversation each week!). Typically, 3, 4, 5 or 6 p.m.
Come and meet new players and join in on the fun while getting exercise.
There is also a group who are more competitive that play on Mondays and Wednesdays at 5.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY

4th 11:00 Mini Chefs, Session 1
7th - 7:00 Comm. Adult Walking Program Begins
15th - 5:30 Yoga Class Begins
18th - 10:00 Children's Winter Crafts & Activities
21st - 4:00 Masterpiece Modeling Program Begins
28th - 5:00 Cheer Camp Begins
31st - Cheerleading Camp at the Basketball Game

FEBRUARY

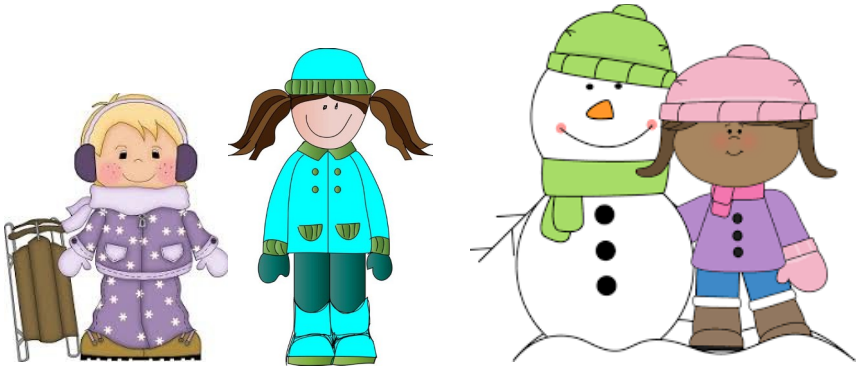
1st - 11:00 Mini Chefs, Session 2
8th - 10:00 Winter Silly Scientist Class
15th - 10:00 Children's Valentine Crafts & Activities

MARCH

1st - 11:00 Mini Chefs, Session 3
15th -10:00 Children's Art Crafts & Activities

APRIL

5th 11:00 Mini Chefs, Session 4
12th -10:00 Easter Egg Hunt @ Bryan Elem. Sch.
19th - 3:00 Easter Eggstravaganza @ Mattie Park
20th - Happy Easter
24th - Tree Bagging at the Ice Rink
25th - Arbor Day Program
26th -10:00 Children's Spring Crafts & Activities



MACDONALD-RUFF ICE ARENA
TOWNLINE ROAD

Depending on the weather, of course, we hope to have ice again this winter. Because of the danger of mixing hockey with public skating, we again stress that ALL HOCKEY PLAY (STICKS AND PUCKS) ARE PROHIBITED DURING PUBLIC SKATING HOURS. Violators will be subject to equipment confiscation. Skating Hours Include:

OPEN SKATING

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM-7:30 PM
Saturday & Sunday 1:00-4:00 PM

HOCKEY

Mon. & Thurs. 8:00-10:00 PM
Weds & Fri. 8:00-10:00 PM
6:30-10:00 PM

8:00-10:00 PM

KATES AND CROSS COUNTRY SKIS

	ONE DAY	OVERNIGHT	OVERDUE
Ice Skate Rentals (all ages):	$1.00	$2.00 (Till Next Open Day)	$1.00/day

Cross Country Skis (all ages):	ONE DAY	OVERNIGHT
	(Return by 5:00 PM) $3.00	(Return Same Time; One Open Day, $6.00) (Return Same Time; Two Open Days, $12.00)

NOTE: All rentals are from the MacDonald-Ruff Ice Arena on Townline Road: **Saturdays and Sundays, 1:00-4:00 PM.** (Note: hours may change according to use.) Adults **must** sign equipment in and out. A photo ID or money may be required as a deposit on skis.