

Youth & Family Programs

Rock 'N' Kids

This interactive class has everyone on their feet! We all learn together, while engaging in active, creative, music-based activities, using rhythm instruments and movement props. All class procedures are designed to keep staff and students safe. Activities are age appropriate by class, and include songs and rhymes, rhythm and coordination, fine and gross motor, imagination and sensory, and listening and following directions skills. Sing, dance, play, learn and imagine with us! For more information, contact Diana Clayson at 847.850.2111 or diana@bgparks.org.

Code	Age	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
330607-01	1 - 2 years	Sat	Jan 8 - Feb 5	10:20 - 11 am	\$61/\$76
330607-02	1 - 2 years	Sat	Feb 19 - Mar 19	9:30 - 10:10 am	\$61/\$76
330607-03	2 - 5 years	Sat	Jan 8 - Feb 5	9:30 - 10:10 am	\$56/\$76
330607-04	2 - 5 years	Sat	Feb 19 - Mar 19	9:30 - 10:10 am	\$61/\$76

Instructor: Kid Rock

Location: Alcott Center

Ooey Goey Sensory & Science

Immerse your child's senses through sensory play, science and art. Each week, there will be new ooey, goeey, wet and slick experiences, along with many other activities to awaken your child's 5 senses. We will make a volcano, create slime, build sandcastles, and use texture paint. Smocks will be provided; but, come dressed to play. For more information, contact Diana Clayson at 847.850.2111 or diana@bgparks.org.

Age: 3 - 5 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
330642-01	Thu	Jan 13 - Mar 17	1 - 2 pm	\$100/\$125

Instructor: Staff

Location: Alcott Center

Fun With Letters

Join us as we explore the alphabet. We will work on letter identification, as well as the sounds that each letter makes. We will go on letter hunts and play letter games, as well as read books and sing songs. Letters are everywhere! For more information, contact Diana Clayson at 847.850.2111 or diana@bgparks.org. **No class on January 18.**

Age: 3 - 5 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
330637-01	Tue	Jan 11 - Mar 15	1 - 2 pm	\$90/\$113

Instructor: Hoyland

Location: Alcott Center

Hands On Art - Colorful Cooking

This class is art, cooking and literacy, all rolled into one theme each day! Add some art, play, songs and stories for a great afternoon. In session 02, Cooking at Night will have a Valentine's Day theme. For more information, contact Diana Clayson at 847.850.2111 or diana@bgparks.org. **No class on January 19.**

Code	Age	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
330632-01	3 - 5 years	Wed	Jan 12 - Mar 16	1 - 2:45 pm	\$175/\$219
330632-02	3 - 8 years	Mon	Feb 7	5:30 - 7:30 pm	\$30/\$38

Instructor: Cohen

Location: Alcott Center

Hands On Art - Art of Science

How can you merge science and art together? We will experiment with color in several ways, learn about chemical reactions, investigate vertical and horizontal challenges, and explore art like scientists. For more information, contact Diana Clayson at 847.850.2111 or diana@bgparks.org.

Age: 3 - 6 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
330644-01	Fri	Jan 14 - Mar 18	1 - 2 pm	\$140/\$200

Instructor: Cohen

Location: Alcott Center

Lunch & Learn

Join us any day Monday through Friday for lunch! Children will love bringing their lunch at 11:30 am, playing in the large motor room, and having art and other learning activities in the classroom. You can additionally register for any classes listed in the Early Childhood Section that begin at 1 pm, so that your child can be with us longer. Lunch teachers can take your child to their 1 pm class. Because of allergies, lunches must be nut-free. For more information, contact Diana Clayson at 847.850.2111 or diana@bgparks.org. **No class on January 17, 18, 19 and February 21.**

Age: 3 - 6 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
330624-01	Mon	Jan 10 - Mar 14	11:30 am - 1 pm	\$80/\$100
330624-06	Mon	Jan 10 - Mar 14	12 - 1 pm	\$56/\$70
330624-02	Tue	Jan 11 - Mar 15	11:30 am - 1 pm	\$90/\$113
330624-07	Tue	Jan 11 - Mar 15	12 - 1 pm	\$63/\$79
330624-03	Wed	Jan 12 - Mar 16	11:30 am - 1 pm	\$90/\$113
330624-08	Wed	Jan 12 - Mar 16	12 - 1 pm	\$63/\$79
330624-04	Thu	Jan 13 - Mar 17	11:30 am - 1 pm	\$100/\$125
330624-09	Thu	Jan 13 - Mar 17	12 - 1 pm	\$70/\$88
330624-05	Fri	Jan 14 - Mar 18	11:30 am - 1 pm	\$100/\$125
330624-10	Fri	Jan 14 - Mar 18	12 - 1 pm	\$70/\$88

Instructor: Staff

Location: Alcott Center

Hands On Art - Clay Creations

This class will focus on the fundamentals of clay building and design. Children will work primarily with self-hardening clay. Every project will be constructed, dried, painted, and brought home the next week. Each child will have individual materials to work with. For more information, contact Diana Clayson at 847.850.2111 or diana@bgparks.org.

Age: 3 - 8 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
330630-01	Thu	Jan 13 - Mar 17	4 - 5 pm	\$140/\$175

Instructor: Cohen

Location: Alcott Center

Hands On Art - Power Hour

This class is for anyone and everyone ready to explore their gross motor skills. We will be outside (weather permitting) playing games, running, jumping, and using our muscles. For more information, contact Diana Clayson at 847.850.2111 or diana@bgparks.org. **No class on January 17 and February 21.**

Age: 3 - 9 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
330606-02	Mon	Jan 10 - Mar 14	1 - 2 pm	\$112/\$140

Instructor: Cohen

Location: Alcott Center

Beginning STEM

Young children are natural explorers; so, they will enjoy this variety of STEM activities. Science is a way of thinking that begins in terms of examining, experimenting and comparing. Technology includes any tool that helps make a task easier. Engineering is practical problem solving, with innovation and construction. Math concepts include sequencing, patterns, sorting and volume. Children will be encouraged to develop observation and communication skills. For more information, contact Diana Clayson at 847.850.2111 or diana@bgparks.org. **No class on January 19.**

Age: 3½ - 5 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
330617-01	Wed	Jan 12 - Mar 16	1 - 2 pm	\$90/\$113

Instructor: Comes Location: Alcott Center

Safety Superheroes NEW

Your superheroes at home will love learning how to be safe, dressed as their favorite superhero each week. The first session (361902-02), we will learn about how to be safe outdoors, around fire, at home, and in the winter. During session 2 (361902-03), we'll learn about safety during sports, around animals and water. The superheroes will have a great time playing action games, and creating crafts each week. You may enroll your child in one or both sessions. A face covering will be required at all times while inside the classroom. Dressing up is not required to attend this class, but is encouraged. For more information, contact Liz Sass at 847.850.2136 or lsass@bgparks.org.

Age: 4 - 7 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
361902-02	Sat	Jan 15 - Feb 5	9:30 - 11:30 am	\$68/\$85
361902-03	Sat	Feb 12 - Mar 5	9:30 - 11:30 am	\$68/\$85

Instructor: Gangware Location: Rick Drazner Park

Dino Discovery

Children will go on their own fossil dig, and analyze and assemble skeleton pieces, just like a team of paleontologists. They'll learn about dinosaurs and the techniques used in extracting fossils, as we make many discoveries in this hands-on class. To wrap it up, they'll create a documentary about their findings! All participants must wear a face covering. For more information, contact Jimmy Mix at 847.850.2108 or jmix@bgparks.org.

Age: 5 - 7 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
361112-01	Thu	Jan 20 - Feb 10	6 - 7 pm	\$74/\$93

Instructor: Computer Explorers Location: Alcott Center

Magic Class

Children are guaranteed to have a great time as they learn fascinating tricks from a professional magician! Amaze family and friends with tricks that involve cards, ropes, coins and mind reading. While the tricks may appear difficult, you'll discover that they are quick to learn and easy to perform. All materials are provided and each child receives a magic kit to take home. Children are grouped by age level and always learn tricks that are age appropriate. Additionally, children can sign up for this class again and again since brand new tricks are taught at each session. Please wash or sanitize hands before entering the room; and, a face covering must be worn. For more information, contact Jimmy Mix at 847.850.2108 or jmix@bgparks.org.

Age: 5 - 12 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
261107-02	Thu	Dec 16	5 - 5:55 pm	\$20/\$25
361107-02	Mon	Feb 7	6:30 - 7:25 pm	\$20/\$25

Instructor: Magic Team of Gary Kantor Location: Alcott Center

Chess Club

Make the right move and learn the fine art of chess. Chess is a wonderful game of skill and strategy that promotes critical thinking and teaches many skills, including problem solving, decision-making, logic, reasoning, patience and persistence. Learn from certified chess coach, Frank Swindell, and be able to challenge others at the game. Frank has numerous students in the top 100, and his chess team has won Nationals. In 2007, he had instructed a Kindergarten State Champion, an 8th grade State Champion and a 4-time consecutive State Champion. Instruction will be geared toward individual ability; so, beginners and advanced students are both welcome. The advanced chess class is for students who have mastered checkmates Queen, 2 Rooks, 1 Rook, and 2 Bishops. The class will focus on chess notation, using check clocks, and mastering the Knight and Bishop Checkmate, as well as pins, forks and skewers. The elite chess club is for students who have attended the advanced chess class, and now are preparing to participate in local, state and national chess tournaments. Students in this class will be taught tournament strategies, analyzing chess games, and completing chess puzzles. Each registrant will receive a free chess board and chess pieces. We accept late registrants. Face coverings must be worn at all times. For more information, contact Jimmy Mix at 847.850.2108 or jmix@bgparks.org. **No class on December 20 and 27.**

Age: 5 - 13 years

Code	Level	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
361102-01	Regular	Mon	Dec 6 - Mar 7	4:30 - 5:30 pm	\$223/\$279
361102-02	Advanced	Mon	Dec 6 - Mar 7	5:30 - 6:30 pm	\$274/\$343
361102-03	Elite	Mon	Dec 6 - Mar 7	6:30 - 7:30 pm	\$360/\$450

Instructor: Swindell Location: Alcott Center

Robot Engineers NEW

This course builds knowledge of simple machines, engineering, programming and teamwork, using the LEGO® WeDo Robotics system. Students will use an intuitive, icon-based programming environment, helping to bring their model to life. For more information, contact Jimmy Mix at 847.850.2108 or jmix@bgparks.org.

Age: 7 - 12 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
361194-01	Thu	Feb 17 - Mar 10	6 - 7:15 pm	\$93/\$116

Instructor: Computer Explorers Location: Alcott Center

Safe Sitter Babysitting Class

The Safe Sitter program is a medically accurate childcare curriculum, designed to prepare students to be safe and nurturing babysitters. Our instructors will teach important life skills and safe habits in this high quality course. Students learn about a wide variety of topics through discussion, practice and role-play. Participants will create a "Babysitter Bag," and receive a completion certificate upon finishing the course. Participants may bring a nut-free snack, and a bottle of water. Every student must attend both classes for completion; and, a face covering must be worn. For more information, contact Liz Sass at 847.850.2136 or lsass@bgparks.org.

Age: 11 - 15 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
361114-01	Fri	Jan 14 - Jan 21	6:30 - 9:30 pm	\$60/\$75
361114-02	Fri	Feb 18 - Feb 25	6:30 - 9:30 pm	\$60/\$75

Instructor: Gangware Location: Rick Drazner Park