

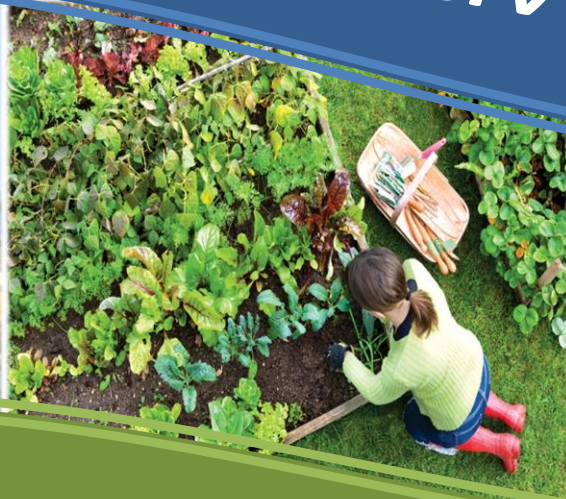
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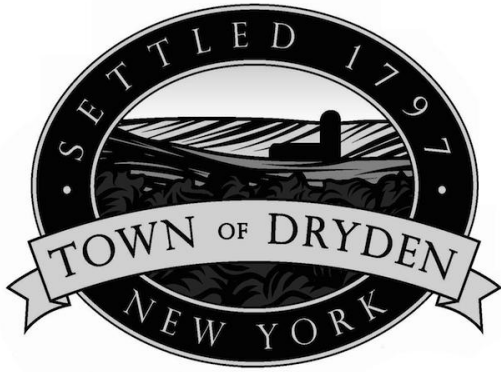
Spring 2017



Community Activity Guide



*Program offerings for youth, adults and families
residing in and around the Town of Dryden*



Dryden Recreation Department

93 East Main Street, Dryden NY 13053

Phone: 607-844-8888 Ext 4

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Look for "Dryden Recreation" on Facebook!



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Dryden Recreation Department Mission

To provide diverse recreational programs and leisure services which enhance the physical, social and cultural growth of all residents of Dryden, while promoting citizen involvement and a strong sense of community.

Financial Assistance for Town Sponsored Programs

The Dryden Recreation Department aims to provide all children in our community with the opportunity to participate in our programs. We offer financial assistance to families who qualify for the *Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program* (SNAP) through our schools. Children who receive a free or reduced lunch at school may also qualify for reduced or free activity fees for select programs. If your family receives SNAP or other assistance programs through any of our district schools, please contact the Dryden Recreation Department office to find out how to receive financial support for town sponsored programs.

Office Phone: 607-844-8888 Ext 4

Email: recassist@dryden.ny.us

Dryden Recreation and Youth Commission (DRYC)

The Dryden Recreation and Youth Commission helps to support the Dryden Recreation Department with resources, guidance, and insight to better serve our community. If you would like to participate in the planning and implementation of programs and projects in the Town of Dryden, please consider joining the DRYC. Meetings are open to the public and held at the Dryden Town Hall the 4th Wednesday of each month at 7PM.

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Youth Activities

Youth Track and Field

This program provides an introduction to track and field events - Think sprints, relay races, hurdles, long jump, and high jump! Our Dryden High School track coaches and athletes provide expert instruction in everything track. Kids will participate in a one hour practice each week in this non-competitive program.

Athletic sneakers and a water bottle are required.

Who: Boys and Girls Grades K-6
When: Tuesdays, April 4th – May 23rd (no practice 4/18)
Where: Dryden High School Track
Fee: \$15 resident / \$20 non-resident (\$5 late fee after 4/15/16)

**Practice times based on weather and school availability*



Youth Karate



CAYUGA LAKE SEIDO KARATE

Instructor: Senpai Jennifer Maza, 2nd Degree Black Belt
When: Wednesdays
Where: Dryden VFW
Fee: \$70

**Registrations close one week prior to the class start.
After that date, a \$10 late fee will apply.*

Session 4 Class Dates: April 26, May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, June 7

Junior Class

Wednesdays 3:45 to 4:30

This basic class for white belts and advanced white belts emphasizes respect (for yourself and others), body control, and confidence through the learning of basic punches, kicks, and blocks.

Participants of the advanced class may assist the junior class or do quiet reading/homework until the advanced class begins.

Advanced Class

Wednesdays 4:30 to 5:30

This class is for blue belts and higher. This class is a specialized session that will focus on Kata, Self defense, pre-Kumite (fighting) skills, and meditation.

Any advanced student is welcome to participate in the 3:45pm class, if the new later time is not a viable option.

**Transportation from the Dryden Elementary School to the VFW is available by request.
Please call the recreation office (607-844-8888 Ext 229) in advance to arrange a ride!**

*** Register with the form on page 12 or online at drydenrec.com ***

Youth Activities

NEW

Lacrosse Skills & Drills

Want to try lacrosse for the first time or work on improving your stick skills for the upcoming season? Come join us for our new Skills & Drills program! Instructors for this course are youth coaches, Dryden Varsity coaches and players, and even local college lacrosse players! Participants of this program will receive a ticket to the TC3 v.s. OCC lacrosse game on April 1st.

A lacrosse stick and water bottle are required. All other equipment will be provided.

**Some Sticks available to be borrowed at the clinic*

Who: Boys and Girls Grades K-6
When: March 28th and 30th (Tues./Thurs.), 5:30 – 7:00 pm
Where: TC3 Turf Field (Field House if weather is poor)
Fee: \$10 resident / \$15 non-resident (\$5 late fee after 3/24/17)



NEW

Youth Lacrosse Season

New this year! We have expanded our lacrosse program to include weekend scrimmages with other youth lacrosse programs in the area. Practice twice a week and play on the weekend to maximize the fun and excitement for this growing program! A lacrosse stick and water bottle are required. All other equipment will be provided. Schedules may change depending on school availability and weather.

Who: Boys and Girls Grades K-6
When: Tuesdays and Thursdays, April 4th - May 25th
(No practice 4/18 or 4/20)
Times TBD based on field availability
Where: Dryden Elementary School
Fee: \$45 resident / \$50 non-resident (\$10 late fee after 4/14/17)



Upstate Lacrosse Association Team

This is a competitive boy's travel lacrosse program. The ULA league provides an excellent opportunity for players to learn and develop their skills, play organized and competitive games and have fun playing lacrosse with their peers. Teams will have two practices/games per week. Home games will be at TC3; away games at Ithaca, Tully, Skaneateles, and in the Syracuse area. Carpooling can be arranged.

Season normally runs mid/late May through late July.

Who: Boys Grades 3/4, 5/6, 7/8
When: Practices/games two times per week
Times TBD based on field availability
Where: Dryden Elementary School/TC3 or out of town game locations
Fee: \$65 resident / \$75 non-resident; (\$10 late fee after 5/19/17)



*** Register with the form on page 12 or online at drydenrec.com ***

Special Youth Events

Spring Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 15th

Don't miss out on this fun tradition! Come and help us find hundreds of brightly colored eggs hidden in Montgomery Park. At 11 am, the Dryden Bunny arrives in the fire truck to kick off this year's spring egg hunt. Feel free to take a picture with our adorable Bunny! Please bring your own basket or bag!

Ages: Pre-K - 5th

Where: Montgomery Park, Dryden

Time: 11:00 am

Fee: NONE

This program does not require registration



Spring Break Field Trips

Sky Zone Trampoline Park

Sky Zone is the world's first indoor trampoline park. The park includes Open Jump, a SkySlam court, Ultimate Dodgeball, and the Foam Zone. Experience WOW – the weightlessness of bouncing and landing in a pit filled with 10,000 foam cubes. This trip includes 90 minutes of jump time, arcade cards, and video games! The van will pick students up at 10:00 am and return about 4:00 pm. Sneakers and a packed lunch are required. An online waiver for SKYZONE must be signed by a parent for participation in this trip!

Minimum: 8 Maximum: 10

Who: Boys and Girls Grades 4-8

When: Wednesday, April 19th

Where: Van will leave and return to the Dryden Town Hall

Fee: \$35 resident / \$40 non-resident (\$5 late fee after 4/14/16)



SKY ZONE
TRAMPOLINE PARK

Hope Lake Lodge Water Park

Come enjoy a fun-filled day at the 41,000 sq ft Hope Lake Cascades indoor water park with more than 150,000 gallons of water and over 500 feet of slides. The van will pick students up at 11:30 am and spend the day enjoying the water park returning at 4:30 pm. Swimsuit, towel, and a packed lunch are required.

Minimum: 4 Maximum: 10

Who: Boys and Girls Grades 4-8

When: Friday, April 21st

Where: Van will leave and return to the Dryden Town Hall

Fee: \$25 resident / \$30 non-resident (\$5 late fee after 4/14/17)



Don't wait until the last minute to register! These field trips fill up fast!

*** Register with the form on page 12 or online at drydenrec.com ***

Dryden Kiwanis Baseball & Softball

2017 DRYDEN KIWANIS SPRING BASEBALL / SOFTBALL PROGRAM

Dear Parents, Guardians and Ballplayers,



If you would like your child(ren) to participate in the 2017 Dryden Kiwanis Youth Baseball/Softball Program, we offer three options to register your child(ren):

- **Online** registrations can be submitted at www.drydenkiwanisonline.com.
- **Mail** your registration form & check (made payable to Dryden Kiwanis) to: Dryden Kiwanis, PO Box 282, Dryden, NY 13053.
✓ Please use a separate check and registration form for each child being registered
- **In-person** signups will take place Saturday, March 18, 2017, 10:00 to 11:30 am, at the Monthly Kiwanis Can & Bottle Return being held at Clark's Shur-fine, Dryden

****Early bird registration fees apply to all applications received prior to March 20, 2017**** Applications received March 20, 2017 or later will be required to pay full cost registration fees. Please see www.drydenkiwanisonline.com or visit our Facebook page to contact us if you have any questions.

Child's Last Name: _____		First Name: _____	
DOB: ____ / ____ / ____		AGE: ____	Gender: M / F Grade: ____
Years of Spring Baseball / Softball playing experience: ____		Years of Summer ball experience: ____	
Shirt Size: YS - YM - YL - AS - AM - AL - AXL *Dryden Kiwanis will not be responsible for improper shirt sizes			
1ST Parent		2ND Parent	
Name: _____		Name: _____	
Address: _____		Address: _____	
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____		City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____	
Contact Phone #: _____		Contact Phone #: _____	
Contact Phone #: _____		Contact Phone #: _____	
Email: _____		Email: _____	

PAYMENT Information: Price will be reduced \$5.00 per participant for Multiple registrations per family						
Check	League	Day	Age	Suggested Grade	Early Bird	Rate After 3/20/16
	Single A Teeball	Mon/Wed Evenings 6:00 pm	4 to 6	Pre K - K	\$35.00	\$45.00
	Double A Baseball	Tue/Thur Evenings 6:00 pm	8 & Under	Grades 1 - 2	\$40.00	\$55.00
	Triple A Baseball	Mon/Wed Evenings 6:00 pm	10 & Under	Grades 3 - 4	\$45.00	\$55.00
	Major League Baseball	Tue/Thur Evenings 6:00 pm Sat 9:30 am	12 & Under	Grades 5 - 7	\$50.00	\$60.00
	8U Softball	Saturday Morning	8 & Under	Grades 1 - 2	No Charge	No Charge
	10U Softball	Usually Tue/Thur Evenings 6:00 pm	10 & Under	Grades 3 - 4	\$40.00	\$50.00
	12U Softball	Usually Mon/Wed Evenings 6:00 pm	12 & Under	Grades 5 - 7	\$50.00	\$60.00

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Dryden Kiwanis Baseball & Softball

Weather permitting practices will start mid-April and games are played in May and June. Individual team coaches will contact you and your player around mid-April to arrange a practice schedule.



*** Visit Kiwanis Ball on Facebook and like us for Ball updates***

VOLUNTEER SIGN UP – We need your help

Our League is a non-profit, volunteer organization that needs everyone's help to be successful. Every family is encouraged to help with the Snack Stand and Field Setup/Tear-down or similar duty, typically involving a few shifts in the Snack Stand and a few shifts of setting up or tearing down the fields before and after games. Please check off as many areas as you are interested in and would like to contribute to the organization to benefit your child and the whole program. Thank you!

1st Parent	2nd Parent	Volunteer Areas of Interest
		Field Clean-up Days (April Date TBD)
		Umpire (volunteer – training provided)
		Manager (Head Coach)
		Coach (Assistant)
		Assist with Sponsorship, Fund-Raisers
		Assist with Equipment Coordinator
		Assist with Snack Stand – Wall St Field
		Assist with Team Pictures
		Assist with Media Photos
		Interested in Kiwanis Membership?

TERMS OF REGISTRATION - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY – ONE PARENT MUST SIGN BELOW

1) **Approval of Participation** - I/We, the parents/guardians of the above-named child (candidate) for a position on a team in Dryden Kiwanis Spring ball (DKSB) hereby give my/our approval to participate in any and all DKSB activities, including transportation to and from the activities.

2) **Waiver and Hold Harmless** - I/We know that participation in Baseball/Softball or Tee Ball may result in serious injuries and protective equipment does not prevent all injuries to players. I/we do 1) hereby waive, release, absolve, indemnify, and agree to hold harmless Dryden Kiwanis, the officers, sponsors, supervisors, participants, and persons transporting my/our child to and from activities, from any claim arising out of any injury to my/our child whether the result of negligence or for any other cause.

3) **Proof of Age and Residence** - I/We will furnish if asked proof of age (copy of a birth certificate) and proof of legal residence (Parents address as defined by DKSB) of the above-named candidate to DKSB Officials. I/We understand that our child must be eligible under the age and residence regulations of DKSB to participate in DKSB, and that if any controversy arises regarding age and/or residence, the decision of the Spring Ball Committee shall be final and binding.

4) **Major League and Triple A Evaluations** - I/We understand that our child may be required to be evaluated for team placement. If the child does not attend the evaluation event, DKSB committee approval is required before our child may be placed on a team.

5) **Photo/Image** - By signing below you will allow Dryden Kiwanis to use photos of players/teams/parents and their names to be used on The Dryden Kiwanis website/emails/hand-outs, etc., as well as local media channels.

6) **Refund of Registration Payment** - No refund of the registration payment will be made once teams are formed.

I am the parent/legal guardian of the child named above. I have read, understood and agree to the Terms of Registration listed above.

Signature of Parent

Date Signed

Visit Kiwanis Ball on Facebook and like us for Ball updates

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Adult Programs

Bob Slocum Co-Ed Softball

Come round the bases, score, and have fun! This league is an organized, fun, and worthwhile adult softball league for men and women ages 18 and up. Ages 16 & 17 are welcome to play in the league with a signed parental waiver. Our players focus, play hard and want to win - but not without having some fun too!

Who: Ages 16 and up (16 & 17 need parental waiver)
When: Games on Tuesdays and Thursdays
League Play begins June 6
Where: Dryden High School Fields
Fee: \$250 Team fee (*Registration & League Fee due May 19th*)



Call the Recreation Coordinator at 607-844-8888 Ext 4 or email recassist@dryden.ny.us for more info.

Adult Fitness



Thinking about becoming more active or starting a structured fitness program? Good for you! It's never too late to get in shape! Studies have shown that regular exercise can help boost energy, improve health and make life more enjoyable. If you feel it's time to take that first step towards creating and maintaining a healthy lifestyle, then let us help! Dryden Recreation has teamed up with Iron Mind Performance and Fitness to offer you a program specifically designed to teach you how to get in and stay in shape.

Who: Adults ages 18 and up
When: Wednesdays April 19th – May 24th at 6:00pm
Where: Iron Mind Performance and Fitness
15 Ellis Drive Dryden, New York
Fee: \$67



Introduction to Tai Chi



In partnership with the Taoist Tai Chi Society in Ithaca, we bring an introductory level Tai-Chi Class to Dryden! This gentle form of exercise, often described as 'meditation in motion', can help maintain strength, flexibility, and balance, and could be the perfect activity for the rest of your life. In this low-impact, slow-motion exercise you go without pausing through a series of motions while breathing deeply and naturally. Growing evidence suggests that this mind-body practice has value in treating or preventing many health problems.

Who: Adults ages 18 and up
When: Tuesdays, May 2nd - June 20th (8 Classes)
Time: 10:00am - 11:30am
Where: Dryden Town Hall
Fee: \$75



*** Register with the form on page 12 or online at drydenrec.com ***

Lifelong Programs

Lifelong achieves its mission through health and wellness, learning, exercise, recreation, travel, life planning and volunteer programs. We invite you to explore the many opportunities that Lifelong provides throughout the county. Our course catalog is online at <http://www.tclifelong.org/>

To register for lifelong programs contact Lifelong:

Phone: (607) 273-1511 / **Email:** lifelong@tclifelong.org / **Address:** 119 West Court Street Ithaca, NY 14850

The Constitution & the Supreme Court



Dryden Recreation Partners with Lifelong to bring new classes to our Town!

What the Constitution says and how the Supreme Court interprets it have become hotly contested issues. By examining the context in which the Constitution was written, the actual text, and the processes used by the Supreme Court to interpret its meaning, this course will try to dispel some myths. The final session will look at some of the Court's most important cases as well as some of the current controversies.

Date: Tuesdays May 2nd, 9th and 16th (3 sessions)

Time: (4:00pm-6:00pm)

Location: Dryden Town Hall Court Room

(93 East Main Street Dryden, NY 13053)

Who: Adults 18 and up

Fee: \$30 (No membership required)

Instructor: Tom Butler

- 40-years teaching career at a variety of independent schools in New York & Connecticut. Specializing in history and economics, he also ventured into English, psychology, law, and math & school administration. Tom has taught at Lifelong since 2011, recently adding teaching drawing to his repertoire.



Enhance Your Fitness



Working on your health and strength will help increase your quality of life no matter what age you are! These classes provided by Tompkins County Lifelong focus on stretching, flexibility, balance, low-impact aerobics, strength training, and deep breathing exercises to help you feel better, and live better!

Ages: Adults 18 and up

Location: Dryden Veterans Memorial Home

Dates/Times: Monday (11:30am-12:30pm)

Wednesday (10:15am-11:15am)

Friday (10:30am-11:30am)

Fee: \$5 per class



Lifelong classes are not run by the Dryden Recreation Department

To register for Lifelong programs contact Lifelong at (607) 273-1511

Red Cross Classes

Hands Only “Citizens CPR” Course

When an emergency happens, will you be prepared to react? 80% of all cardiac emergencies happen in or near the home and CPR/AED use is one of the most crucial steps in the event of a cardiac emergency. Learn the skills to help save the life of a friend, family member or even a stranger! Certifications are valid for 2 years from class completion date. Course requirements must be met and final test must be passed to receive certification.

Who: Ages 16 and up
When: Saturday, April 22nd, 9am to 5pm
Where: Dryden Town Hall
Fee: \$70



Recertification Course

Lifeguards, babysitters, coaches, and anyone with a Red Cross certification needs to be recertified either once per year (professionals) or once every other year. This recertification course will be a review of current certification requirements followed by a multiple choice exam and a test of skills using scenarios with other participants and dolls. If you need to be recertified in CPR/AED and First Aid under the American Red Cross, this is the class you need. Proof of prior certification needed at the start of class. Certifications are valid for 2 years from certification date (some exceptions apply). Course requirements must be met and final test must be passed to receive certification. Please provide your own rescue mask.

Who: Ages 16 and up
When: Saturday May 6th, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
Where: Dryden Town Hall
Fee: \$50



Coaches First Aid & CPR

This class is specifically for youth sport coaches. Though CPR/AED and First Aid is not a required certification for youth coaching, it is a skill that could save the life of a young player on your team. This course will cover pediatric CPR/AED and first aid. All participants will receive a CPR Mask upon completion of the course. Certifications are valid for 2 years from certification date. Course requirements must be met and final test must be passed to receive certification.

Who: Volunteer youth coaches
When: Saturday June 3rd, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm
Sunday June 4th, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm
Must participate in both classes to receive full certification
Where: Dryden Town Hall
Fee: \$45



*** Register with the form on page 12 or online at drydenrec.com ***

Information



To Volunteer!

The Town of Dryden Recreation Department could not do what we do without the support of our wonderful community volunteers. Our department is always looking for people from all walks of life to share their experience, talents and passions with our community. Volunteerism is not limited to youth sports. We encourage all members of our town to present us with their skills to expand and diversify our programming. Volunteers could help us build new recreation areas, create beautiful gardens, participate in park cleanups or restorations, crunch paperwork in the office, introduce new hobbies to all ages, and bring vibrancy and fellowship to our neighborhoods. Volunteering is a great way to meet new friends while making a positive contribution to your community and anyone can do it! There is always a way to give back to your community through our department and we are willing to take any time you offer.

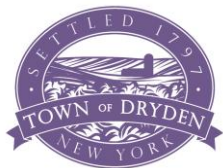
You can volunteer by coaching youth sports, instructing classes, help during community builds, run clocks at games and much more!



Contact us today!

Office Phone: 844-8888 ext.4

Email: recassist@dryden.ny.us



Dryden Recreation Department Program Registration Form

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Name (Parent/Guardian)

Address

City/Town

State

Zip

E-mail

Home phone

Work phone

Cell Phone

Would you like to be added to our e-mail list? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ I am already subscribed

Emergency Contact Name

(Please list the phone number and name of a responsible adult if parents are not available.)

Emergency Contact phone number(s)

Please list any medical conditions, physical limitations/restrictions for any participant:

List each participant's information below

Participant Name	M/F	DOB	Grade	School	Program Name	Fee

Total Amount Enclosed: \$

Form of Payment

(make checks payable to "Town of Dryden Recreation Department")

☐ Cash

☐ Check

Check no. _____

SNAP eligible residents may qualify for financial assistance. Please call 607-844-888 Ext 4 for further information.

I, the undersigned parent or guardian of the child(ren) listed above, hereby give permission for my child(ren) to participate in the Town of Dryden Recreation Department sponsored program indicated above at my and his or her own risk. I understand that there is **NO accident insurance coverage** for any participant in the program. On behalf of myself, my child(ren) and any other guardian, I agree that we will abide by the rules and regulations of the program and will accept in good faith, any and all decisions of the official(s)/person(s) in charge. I agree to defend, save and hold harmless the Town of Dryden and the Town of Dryden Recreation Department for any injuries, damages, claims, suits or causes of action occasioned by my child(ren)'s participation in the said program and I hereby release from any and all liability the said Town of Dryden, Town of Dryden Recreation Department, the Youth Sport Program, and/or any person(s), property, or official(s) in relation to said program.

Consent: I hereby consent to authorize the Town of Dryden Recreation Department the right to publish, reproduce, and use for advertising or any other purposes, any photograph, video image, audio recording or other likeness of my child or family member.

Signature (Parent/Guardian if participant is under 18)

Date

Additional signature required for all participants over the age of 18

Date

Return by mail, fax or in person with payment payable to:

Town of Dryden Recreation Department 93 East Main Street, Dryden, NY 13053

The Town of Dryden Recreation Department intends to comply with legislation in regard to the Americans with Disabilities Act. Should you or your child require special accommodations, please contact us.

You can also register online at drydenrec.com



Dryden Recreation Department Information Release Form

PLEASE PRINT NEATLY ☺

OFFICE USE ONLY ☐ Submitted ☐ Verified

PARENTAL PERMISSION FOR NOTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY

Your child may be eligible for benefits such as free or reduced program fees with Dryden Recreation. In order to determine if your child is eligible, program officials need information from your free and reduced price meal application. Your written consent is required before any information may be released. We will only use this information to determine if your child is eligible for free or reduced programming. You do not have to give this information, but if you do not, we cannot approve your child for free or reduced programming.

I, the undersigned, give authorization for Dryden Recreation to obtain a current copy of my families NOTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY for the free or reduced lunch program. These records will be for professional use by authorized personnel of Dryden Recreations for the current school year. A new form will be required for each school year. I will notify Dryden Recreation if there is any change of eligibility within 30 days of notification.

Student's Name: _____ Current Grade: _____

Current School: _____

Parent/ Guardian Name: _____ Phone: _____

Parent/ Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Office Phone: 607-844-8888 Ext 4

Email: recassist@dryden.ny.us



What is the Recreation Partnership?

Municipalities, including Dryden, that surround the City of Ithaca participate in the Recreation Partnership, which allows participating town members to enjoy reduced fees for programs offered by the Ithaca Youth Bureau. If you are interested in programs not offered through the Town of Dryden, visit the Ithaca Youth Bureau Website at: <http://www.ithacayouthbureaurecreation.com/>

***Or contact their office at:
(607) 273-8364***

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Recreation Partnership Ithaca Youth Bureau

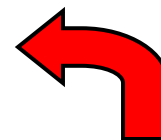
I-PLAYbook
Program Line-up for Active Youth

1 James L. Gibbs Dr., Ithaca, NY 14850
www.ithacayouthbureau.org • iyb@cityofithaca.org
607-273-8364

“Is the IYB program I want to do a qualifying program?”

Not all programs offered through the Ithaca Youth Bureau are “Recreation Partnership” programs. To determine if the program you are looking at qualifies, look for the “RP”

[RP]



Adult/Child Pottery Time [RP]

Come share special time together creating memories in clay! No experience necessary. Handbuilding and wheel throwing instruction will be provided.

Who: Adult and Child (ages 4 and up)
Where: IYB Mud Art Studio
Instructor: Marsha Acerra

SESSION I

When: Saturdays, April 29 to June 10
(no class on May 27)
Time: 2pm-4pm
Fee: \$200.00 N.M./\$100.00 RP Discount

SESSION II

When: Thursdays, July 6, 13, 20
Time: 6pm-8pm
Fee: \$100.00 N.M./\$50.00 RP Discount

SESSION III

When: Thursdays, July 27, August 3, August 10
Time: 6pm-8pm
Fee: \$100.00 N.M./\$50.00 RP Discount



SUMMER ARTS

The “RP” next to a program title denotes if a particular program is Recreation Partnership sponsored. If there is no “RP” next to a program, then Dryden Residents do not receive a discount for that course

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Dryden Town Office

More than just your average Clerks!

Our **Super Clerks** provide your town with lots of services!



- ✓ Dog licensing
- ✓ Marriage licensing
- ✓ Notary Services
- ✓ Passport Services
- ✓ **E-ZPass**® Retailer
- ✓ Hunting/Fishing Licenses
- ✓ Tax Collection
- ✓ Town Archive management



They do it all Folks!

Erin Bieber

Deputy Clerk



Bambi Avery

Town Clerk



LeeAnn Parker

Deputy Clerk



**Dryden Town Hall 93 East Main Street
Open Monday – Friday 8AM to 4:30PM**

Do you want to make a difference in your community, or maybe just be more involved?

Join one of the four town committees!



Planning Board – 7:00 PM, 4th Thursday of every month at the Dryden Town Hall

Conservation Board – 7:00 PM, Last Tuesday of each month at the Dryden Town Hall

Agriculture Advisory Committee – 7:30 PM, 2nd Wednesday of each month at the Dryden Town Hall

Recreation and Youth Commission – 7:00 PM, 4th Wednesday of every month at the Dryden Town Hall

Becoming a committee member allows you to participate in the planning and implementation of town projects that help benefit our communities. Become more involved by joining this month!

New members are always welcome!

Youth Services

The Town of Dryden youth development programs provide opportunities for local youth to gain important life skills, interact with positive role models, and have meaningful roles in their community. Dryden contracts with Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) for the following programs:

Dryden O.U.R.S. Program

CCE's Lexi Hartley and a team of Cornell student volunteers provide year-round, free after-school programs to youth living in Hanshaw, Beaconview, and Congers mobile home parks. Programs meet at 4-H Acres. Transportation provided.



Instructor: Lexi Hartley 607-272-2292 Ext 231 or arh238@cornell.edu

Find current and upcoming programs at

www.ccetompkins.org/4-h-youth/rural-youth-services/rys-program-sites/dryden-o-u-r-s

Dryden has a Youth Employment Program!

CCE staff member Lexi Hartley provides employment readiness and career exploration opportunities to youth interested in learning about the world of work. Some youth are placed in first-time jobs in the community.

Instructor: Lexi Hartley 607-272-2292 Ext 231 or arh238@cornell.edu

Dryden Youth Services

Dryden Youth Services offers a variety of programs aimed at Middle & High School aged youth from the Town of Dryden or attending Dryden schools. All programs run from 2:20 to 5:30pm Monday – Thursdays and meet at the Dryden Lion in the Dryden Middle School lobby. Programs are also available on school breaks and during the summer.



Instructor: David Hall 607-272-2292 Ext 223 or dh67@cornell.edu

Find current and upcoming programs at

www.ccetompkins.org/4-h-youth/rural-youth-services/rys-program-sites/dryden-freeville



**Cooperative
Extension**
Tompkins County



Special Events

SAVE THE DATE

Dryden Dairy Days
Saturday, June 10th, 2017



Come to the annual Dryden Dairy Day for the Parade, local vendors, entertainment, Kids Games and Dairy Dash 5k! The parade begins at 9:30am and festivities will continue in Montgomery Park until 3pm.

Do you want to be part of the event?

The Dairy Day is always looking for volunteers!

*For more information and updates,
Follow Dairy Days on Facebook!*

<http://www.drydendairyday.org/DrydenDairyDay.org>



SAVE THE DATE

Dryden Lake Festival
Saturday July 22nd, 2017



Want to be part of the event?

The Lake Fest Committee is currently recruiting volunteers to help in the planning of Dryden Lake Fest!

Contact Kathy Servoss for more information!

drydenlakefestivalinc@gmail.com

Follow this event on Facebook!

<https://www.facebook.com/DrydenLakeFestival>



Become part of the tradition!

We invite anyone of any age or musical ability to join us free of charge, no auditions.

*Six weekly rehearsals beginning at the end of June,
finishing with two performances on August 5th & 6th*

REHEARSALS

Chorus

Mondays, 7 – 9 PM, 6 weeks starting June 26
Location: Dryden United Methodist Church
Chorus directed by Jennifer Rafferty

Band

Wednesdays, 7 – 9 PM, 6 weeks starting June 28
Location: Dryden High School Auditorium
Band conducted by Robert Oldroyd



**DRYDEN AREA
INTERGENERATIONAL
BAND & CHORUS**



Sponsored by the Town of Dryden Recreation Department with grant support from the Community Arts Partnership of Tompkins County.



For more information call Cathy at 607-844-8304, email Diane at intergenerationalBand@gmail.com
or visit us at drydenareabandandchorus.blogspot.com

Special Events

Want to start a garden?

Come to the Dryden Community Gardens!



No room in your backyard to build a garden?

No problem!

Grow fresh vegetables to enjoy with family and friends this summer in a convenient location close to home! Meet other "budding" gardeners in your community while cultivating organic food!

Location: Behind the Dryden Town Hall

Plot Size: 10 x 10, you can reserve multiple plots!

Fee: \$10 per plot

Pick up an application at the Dryden Café or the Dryden Town Hall

For more information contact: Jean Simmons
(607) 844-3006 or (607) 280-4784

"Let's Grow Together!"

36th Annual SKUNK CABBAGE CLASSIC



Sunday April 9th, 2017



This year marks the 36th consecutive running of one of Ithaca's oldest and largest road races, with a choice of 10K and half-marathon distances. Join 1,000 other runners in the scenic countryside of Ellis Hollow as the skunk cabbages start to emerge in the spring!

You can register late and/or pick up your bib number and shirt on Saturday, April 8th from 11 AM–5 PM at the Finger Lakes Running & Triathlon Company on the Ithaca Commons.

Questions? Contact Race Director Alex Kleinerman
ak235@cornell.edu

Or visit the event website

<http://fingerlakesrunners.org/races/skunk-cabbage/>

Want to advertise your event in the next Community Guide?

Contact the Recreation Department to promote your event with Dryden Rec!

Email: recassist@dryden.ny.us or call our office at: (607) 844 8888 Ext. 4

Dryden Recreation



**RECYCLING AND
SOLID WASTE**
OF TOMPKINS COUNTY

The Recycling and Solid Waste Center (RSWC) is located at 160 Commercial Avenue, and is open Monday through Saturday from 7:00 am to 3:30 pm. The RSWC has drop-off areas for garbage, single stream recyclables and food scraps. Additional recyclables that are not accepted in curbside recycling bins can be brought to the Recycling Market of the RSWC. Additional materials are items such as refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, dehumidifiers, and computer equipment.

The RSWC also hosts hazardous waste collection events six times a year.



Fork 'em Over!

Bring up to 10 gallons of food scraps and compostable Disposables per day, free of charge!

Drop Spot locations:

Dryden Town Highway Department

61 E. Main St. (Rt. 392), Dryden NY

Open every Saturday from 9am – Noon

NOTE: Caddies, bags and transportation containers are available free of charge from the Solid Waste Division office.

What's Accepted:

Bread, Grains & Beans, Compostable Disposables, Eggs & Dairy, Fruits & Vegetables, Meat, Fish, & Bones, Paper Napkins & Cups.

Southworth Library Programs and Events

Children's Programs

- **Cuddle-Up Infant & Toddler Library Time**
 - Every Wednesday at 10 am: Join with other caregivers and their little ones for songs, stories and activities. Stay after for play time before the library opens to the public.
- **Preschool story time**
 - Friday at 10 am: Preschool children and their caregivers are invited for stories, crafts and snacks with a different theme each week.
- **1000 Books Before Kindergarten**
 - This ongoing program helps you to track your child's reading adventures from birth to school. Get an information sheet at the library and start reading to your baby for prizes and free books.
- **The Magic Tree House Adventures Book Club**
 - Every Wednesday after school starting on March 29 at 3:30 pm. Join Jack and Annie as they explore the world of pirates, ninjas and the rain forest in books 4 – 6 of the Magic Tree House Book series. All participants will receive the original books and the corresponding Fact Finders as we do activities and discoveries with this well-loved series. Designed for independent readers. Contact the library to register for the series. Another great program sponsored by the Dryden Youth Opportunity Fund.
- **American Girl Young Writer's Workshop**
 - Use your creativity and imagination to create a story for our 18" dolls. Lisa Harris, professional writer and writing instructor, will join us for a five week writing workshop on Tuesdays after school, starting April 25. Space is limited. Contact the library for more information and to register.
- **LEGO Challenge! (April 2nd at 2:00pm)**
 - We provide the LEGOs, you provide the imagination! Join us during the school breaks for some building challenges! Check the library calendar for dates and times.
- **Paws to Read**
 - Come and read with some of our furry friends from Cornell Canine Companions.
*Check the library calendar for dates and times.



Teen Programs

Teen Takeovers: Teens takeover the library on these Friday nights from 6:30 – 8:30 pm for movies, crafts, board games and pizza. *Limited to students in grades 5 – 12.*

- **March 17** – Gaming Unplugged- card games, board games. Try ours out or bring your own
- **April 14** – Poetry challenge and Crazy Karaoke Night
- **May 12** - Movie night- Teen pick!
- **June 8** – Scavenger Hunt and Building Challenge



Girls Who Code

- Fridays from 3 – 5 pm: Join Cornell University Women in Engineering for a nationally recognized program for girls in grades 5 – 12 to explore computer coding with others. Start date is March 17. No experience necessary. Pre-registration is required.

Hour of Code! (Tuesday, April 18th and Wednesday, April 19th from 3 – 4pm)

- Computer Programming for beginners!



*****Transportation from Dryden Elementary and Middle/High school to the library is now available!*****
Contact the Library for more information!

Southworth Library Programs and Events

Family Programs

Saturday, March 18 at 1 pm: Turtle Tales and Reptile Reads

Stories, crafts and activities from the reptile world with special guests Grey Biological and their menagerie of scaly friends. Fun for all ages. Each child can take a free book home to keep.

Saturday, April 22 at 1 pm: Bunny Bonanza!

The bunnies are back! Stories, crafts, activities and snacks! Visit with the bunnies from the Bunny FooFoo 4-H club. Peep stuffies and a free book too!

Saturday, May 13 from 12 – 2: See the World a Different Way!

Join us for a disability awareness day! Meet “Guiding Eyes for the Blind” dogs, ‘Sing’ some songs in sign language, try some Braille, go on a sensory challenge walk. *Free books for participants.*

These programs are all provided through generous grant funds from the Bernard Carl and Shirley Rosen Library Fund of the Community Foundation of Tompkins County.

Family Read Alouds

Join area families on the first Thursday of the month* at 6:30 at the library to explore some of the best read aloud chapter books and do some activities together! Listen to the first chapters of these classics read by professional audiobook narrator, Greg Tremblay. When you share a book together as a family, you are sharing so much more! Each family receives a free copy of the book to keep and continue reading together at home.

This program is made possible through a Dryden Youth Opportunity Fund grant.

- **April 6:** *From the Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil E Frankweiler* by E.L. Konigsburg
- **May 4:** *The Mouse and the Motorcycle* by Beverly Cleary
- **June 1:** *Anne of Green Gables* by Lucy Maud Montgomery



*dates may change – check the library calendar to verify programming

Family Reading & Discussion Group

Examine some children’s literature through the lens of bravery, bullies and best friends. The program meets every other Tuesday night at 6:00 for a dinner, activities and discussion. Book selections alternate between picture book and chapter books, as follows:

- **March 14:** *Freak the Mighty* by Rodman Philbrick
- **March 28:** *Stone Angel* by Jane Yolen
- **April 11:** *Moon Over Manifest* by Clare Vanderpool

The program is designed for children in grades 4 – 8 and their caregivers. Contact the library if you are interested in participating.

Adult Programs and Events

Jennie’s Book Club: Try reading something different! Our adult book club meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 9:30 am for coffee and conversations about the book of the month. Newcomers are always welcome! Contact the library to borrow the book and for more information.

Knit etc. Night: Crafters of all kinds and abilities are welcome at the library from 7 – 8:30 pm on the first Tuesday of the month.

Adult Discussion Programs:

- **Thursday, March 23 at 7 pm: The New Jim Crow:** Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness by Michelle Alexander- A discussion with Scott Ochs, Award winning professor of Criminal Justice & Sociology at TC3. Books are available at the library
- **Thursday, April 20 at 7 pm: Democracy- A Community Conversation :** An objective look at the democratic process in light of the centennial celebration of women’s suffrage and the local perspective and personal responsibility. *Sponsored by a New York Humanities Community Conversation Grant*

Please check the calendar for current listings as events may change. We are located at 24 West Main Street, Dryden, NY 13053 or online at southworthlibrary.org. Phone 607-844-4782 or email southworthlibrary@gmail.com.

Boy Scouts & Girl Scouts

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA



BLAZE NEW TRAILS! BECOME A LEADER!



We welcome ALL boys – no one gets “cut” in Scouts!
Make new friends & play new games in boy-led groups!

Camp in the woods, cook over an open fire and smell the wood smoke.

Cub Scouts (K to 5th grades)

Dryden - Pack 24 @ Dryden VFW
Meets on varying days
Jamie Schloupt - 745-8064 - j.freeland@yahoo.com

Ellis Hollow – Pack 55 @ Ellis Hollow Comm Ctr.
Meets last Tuesday of each month
Kristen Lynch – 796-0156 – mrkristin@outlook.com

Freeville - Pack 46 @ Methodist Church
Meets Thurs., 6:30 pm
Jesse Nygard - 379-2708 Nygardjames@gmail.com

Boy Scouts (11-17 years)

Dryden - Troop 24 @ Covenant Love Church
Meets every Sunday at 6:30 pm
Brian O'Donnell 227-2360 troop24@tcscouts.org

Ellis Hollow – Troop 55 @ Ellis Hollow Comm Ctr.
Meets every Tuesday at 7:15 pm
Dan Wakeman 279-0022 troop55@tcscouts.org

Freeville - Troop 29 @ Freeville Methodist
Meets every Sunday 2:30 - 4:00PM
Tim Woods - 844-3921 www.woodsw@earthlink.net

Freeville - Troop 46 @ Freeville Fire Hall
Meets every Tuesday 6:30 pm
Tom Sorensen - 237-6013 - sorensens@juno.com

Venturing (all teens 14-21)

Sea Scout Ship 25 @ Ithaca Coast Guard,
Meets Fri at 6:30pm – ithacaseascouts.org
Jim Graney 327-1226 jgraney@twcny.rr.com

Aviation Post 62 @ East Hill Flying Club
Meets monthly Second Sunday at 3:00PM
Mike Brown 844-8584 - Post62@TCScouts.org

Communications Post 24 (Media Focus)
Jim Graney 607-327-1226
jgraney@twcny.rr.com

Venture Crew 22 (High Adventure Focus)
David Plumeau 844-4098
psaltminer@gmail.com

Venture Crew 4562 (Shooting sports, outdoor)
Meets 1st & 3rd Saturdays
Tim Woods 844-3921 woodsw@earthlink.net

Need more info?

www.tcscouts.org

Dryden Girl Scouts are looking for new girls to join!

Do you love to try new things, go on new adventures and make new friends?

Then **Girl Scouts** is perfect for you! Whether you enjoy crafts, sports, community service, hiking, camping and everything in between...we'll find the perfect troop for you!

- *Daisies: Kindergarten & 1st Grade*
- *Brownies: 2nd & 3rd Grade*
- *Juniors: 4th & 5th Grade*
- *Cadet's: 6th, 7th & 8th Grade*
- *Seniors: 9th & 10 Grade*
- *Ambassadors: 11th & 12th Grade*



GIRL SCOUTS

Meeting locations and times vary depending on the troop, but all troops meet in and around the Dryden area. Please email gsgoldenmeadows427@gmail.com.

Community Centers

We encourage the public to become aware of the Community Associations in your Dryden neighborhood. The town is proud to partner with the community centers on a variety of programs and projects, but each center is independent and unique.

Etna Community Association

The Etna Community Association hosts activity space and events year round including an annual book sale, yard sale, chocolate festival, and egg hunt! For more information or to receive their newsletter, Contact Skip Thorne.

Etna Community Association
PO Box 425, Etna NY 13063
(607) 279-1778
Compuskip@aol.com

Etna Community Events

April 16th: *Easter Egg Hunt (1:00pm)*

April 19th: *Soup and Salad supper (5:30pm)*

May 2nd: *Annual meeting (6:30pm)*

TBA: *Spring Craft Show*



Camp Coddington



Camp Coddington, a program of the Coddington Road Community Center, is an outdoor summer camp located on 12 acres of beautiful woodland. We provide a mixture of structured activities and opportunities for independent play within supervised boundaries. Our weekly themes are designed with fun in mind and include lots of room for input from our campers. Camp Coddington has weekly sessions from June 26th to September 1st and is open to children entering kindergarten through 9th grade.



- ✓ *Partial Day Camps (9am-12pm or 12pm-4pm): Starting at \$75 per week*
- ✓ *Full Day Camps (9am-4pm): Starting at \$164 per week*
- ✓ *Extended Care (7:30am/5:30pm): \$25 additional fee*

Visit www.coddingtonroad.org/camp for additional information.

Coddington Road Community Center
920 Coddington Road, Ithaca, NY 14850
CRCC@coddingtonroad.org, (607) 277-1434



Dryden Community Cafe



The Dryden Community Center Café is a nonprofit community center, run by volunteers, with the goal of offering the Dryden community and surrounding areas a relaxed and welcoming place to gather for coffee, conversation, music and events. Come in and experience a community center where strangers become neighbors and neighbors become friends while making Dryden a better place to live.

1 West Main St, Dryden, NY 13053
(607) 844-1500
<http://drydencafe.org/index.html>

Come in for morning coffee and breakfast or join us anytime for the food atmosphere and events!

Café Hours

Monday – Wednesday: 8am - 3pm

Thursday: 8am – 8pm

Friday: 8am – 3pm

Saturday: 8am – 2pm

Closed Sundays

Annual Spring Tea

"Endless Pots of Freshly Brewed Tea"

Date: May 21st

Theme: Mad-Hatter Tea party

Tickets: \$27 each

On sale: April 1st (36 tickets available)

Scones, finger sandwiches, petite desserts, chocolate and fruit. Door prizes donated by local businesses. All the proceeds go to the nonprofit Community Café.



Café Karaoke Night

Date: March 24, from 6-9pm

Host: Mike McWilliams

Guaranteed moments of hilarity, talent, and fun, coupled with quality food, drinks, and company!

DC3 is a BYOB facility.



Open Mic Night:

**March 17th, April 21st and May 12th
7pm – 9pm.**

Join us for a night of music, poetry and performances from your local community. The kitchen will be open with panini's, soups, baked goods, and drinks.



Easter Coloring Contest

Date: March 20th – 31st

Ages: 5-12

Submission deadline: March 31st

Pick up the paper at the Café and let the coloring begin! Customers vote on the pictures hung on the café wall. Send your friends in to see the drawings and vote! Winners will receive a gift card and Easter basket.



Comfort Food Friday

Dates: Mar. 17th, 31st, April 7th, 21st,
May 12th, 26th

Time: 11am – 2pm

Join us for great comfort food and company on Fridays, made by wonderful volunteers, just for you.



Weekly Events

Waffle Wednesday: Wednesday from 9 - 11AM

Spaghetti Night: Thursday from 5-7PM

Waffle Saturdays: Saturday, 9 - 11AM



The Dryden Café is now at Hopshire every Friday with food cooking 5:30-8. Each week something different! Come for some great music, food and beer at Hopshire Brewery!



The Ellis Hollow Community Center serves the local community
and welcomes all!

We offer access to hiking trails, an outdoor playground and fields for fitness and gatherings under the pavilion. We are home to Scout groups, host community pot luck dinners and provide events for area residents all year round. Our wonderful nursery school is in session September to June weekday mornings.

Our pool is open Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day. Memberships, swim lessons, new night swimming and pool party rentals are available!

Come join us beginning in June for our free, family oriented outdoor concert series **Music in the Hollow**. And in the early Fall, enjoy our 65th annual **Country Fair**: a family oriented fair with games, a quilt raffle, silent auction, white elephant, homemade pies, horse drawn wagon rides and much more!

Visit our website ellishollowcc.org
Join our listserve for announcements by contacting:

ellishollowcommunitynews@gmail.com



Ellis Hollow Community Center
111 Genung Rd, Ithaca, NY 14850
(607) 273-3739



Community Pool
Nursery School
Facility Rental
Day Care
Swim Lessons
Tennis Lessons





VARNA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Varna Community Center
943 Dryden Rd. (NY Rte 366)

www.VarnaCommunityAssociation.org

The VCA exists exclusively for charitable and educational purposes. These include enhancing the quality of life in and around the hamlet of Varna and providing for wholesome recreational and educational activities.

CALENDAR OF VARNA EVENTS

Mar. 11th: Meet your neighbors (1pm – 2pm)

Mar. 12th: Pancake breakfast (8am – Noon)

Mar. 25th: Chowder Night (4pm – 7pm)

Apr. 2nd: VCA board meeting (5:30 – 7pm)

Apr. 8th: HeatSmart informational meeting (10am)

Apr. 8th: Meet your neighbors (1pm – 2pm)

Apr. 9th: Pancake breakfast (8am – Noon)

Apr. 29th: Smoked Ribs Dinner (Time to be announced)



Follow the VCA on Facebook for all community events!

Pancake Breakfasts in Varna

8am to Noon!

Mar. 12, Apr. 9, May 14



Featuring made-to-order pancakes, waffles, French toast, homemade unsalted butter and whipped cream, breakfast meats, scrambled eggs, hash browns, fresh fruits, breakfast breads, orange juice, and coffee, tea or hot cocoa!

Prices:

Adults \$7.50 / Seniors \$7.00 / ages 5-12 \$6.00 / < 5 free.

Volunteers get a free breakfast! To volunteer, contact

Susan Simmons: sasrvcs121@yahoo.com



Varna After School Program (VASP)

(607) 272-2658

VASP@VarnaCommunityAssociation.org

NEW

The mission of the Varna After School Program (VASP) is to provide a safe, educational, nurturing environment for children in Varna and surrounding areas. Children will participate in activities designed to promote their physical, mental, social and emotional development in an all-inclusive environment. VASP is an after school program geared towards Pre-K as well as K through 5 students. We offer a play-based learning curriculum founded on research that allows students to experience education through curiosity and exploration. There is a scheduled focus for each day with enrichment activities to link topics. VASP offers STEAM focused activities; science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics.

Hours:

Monday – Thursday: 12:45pm - 5:30pm

Friday: 10:30am - 5:30pm

Registration Fee:

Tuition is competitive with other local programs.

Monthly tuition is individualized for each child.

Wish List

VASP is always in need of supplies for our students. We could really use these ones and we gladly accept donations!

- Lego's
- Play mats
- Craft supplies
- Board games (Pre-K to Grade 5 appropriate)
- Tissues
- Outdoor toys (balls, frisbees, bubbles, jump ropes, etc.)
- Fruits, veggies, whole grain foods
- Monetary (your donation will be tax deductible)



Dryden Parks

Etna Park

Playground
Tennis Courts
Basketball Hoop
Open Space
Picnic Table



Etna, Upper Creek Road

Montgomery Park

Gazebo, Pavilion,
Basketball,
Playground



Dryden, Elm Street

Groton Ave Park

Ball fields,
Playground,
Picnic area



Freeville, Groton Ave

Mill Dam Park

Swings,
Benches,
Open Space,
Dam



Freeville, Mill Street

Dryden Lake Park

Fishing Dock,
Kayaking/ Paddling,
BBQ Grills, Pavilions,
Trails, Playground,
Open Space



Dryden, West Lake Road

Playground Locations in Dryden:

- Ellis Hollow Community Center
 - Dryden Lake Park
- Montgomery Park
 - Groton Ave Park
- Etna Park



- Varna Community Center

- Dryden Elementary School

- Freeville Elementary School



Dryden Lake Park Pavilion Rental

Small Pavilion Fee: Resident: \$20
Non-Resident: \$35

Large Pavilion Fee: Resident: \$30
Non-Resident: \$45

Contact the Dryden Town Highway Department for an application online or call 607-844-8888 x 5 for details.



Ellis Hollow Pavilion Rental

Deposit of \$100 is required prior to reservation. Responsible party will be held liable and will be billed accordingly.
User Fee:

\$50 for groups of 40-60,

\$25 for groups of 20-39,

\$15 for groups of fewer than 20 people

Contact Wayne Bresky

wbresky1@twcny.rr.com or
(607) 257-7616



The New Playground at Montgomery Park



Trails and Natural Areas

The Town of Dryden offers many beautiful trails and natural areas to explore.

1 Jim Schug Trail

This 4.2 mile trail is flat and easy. Good for walking, bike riding, snowshoeing and more. *Accessible

2 Dryden Lake Park

This .75 mile long lake is great for family gatherings. Parking area for Jim Schug Trail. *Accessible

3 Campbell Meadow

Easy winding trails follow fall creek with many scenic views and places for a picnic.

4 Etna Nature Preserve

A .25 mile trail through a 12 acre nature preserve, with an abundance of wildlife and foliage.

5 Ellis Hollow Nature Preserve

This 1.5 mile trail is rated medium to difficult. Hiking, bird watching, and cross-country skiing are all allowed.

6 Genung Nature Preserve

This 53 acre land preserve has an easy hiking trail roughly 1 mile long along Fall Creek.

7 Monkey Run Preserve

Medium to hard difficulty, this preserve offers scenic views and beautiful foliage along six mile creek.

8 Hammond Hill State Forest

3,618 acres and 8 trails totaling 5.6 miles in length can be used for hiking, bird watching, mountain biking, horseback riding, skiing and more .

9 Yellow Barn State Forest

Yellow Barn State Forest covers 1,289 acres of land. The forest is primitive in nature and activities such as hiking, hunting, trapping, and snowmobiling can be enjoyed.

10 O.D. Von Engeln Nature Preserve

Two trails offer a total of 1.75 miles of hiking through luscious plant life. These are medium difficulty trails great for hiking, bird watching, and other low impact activities.

11 Park Nature Preserve Baldwin Tract

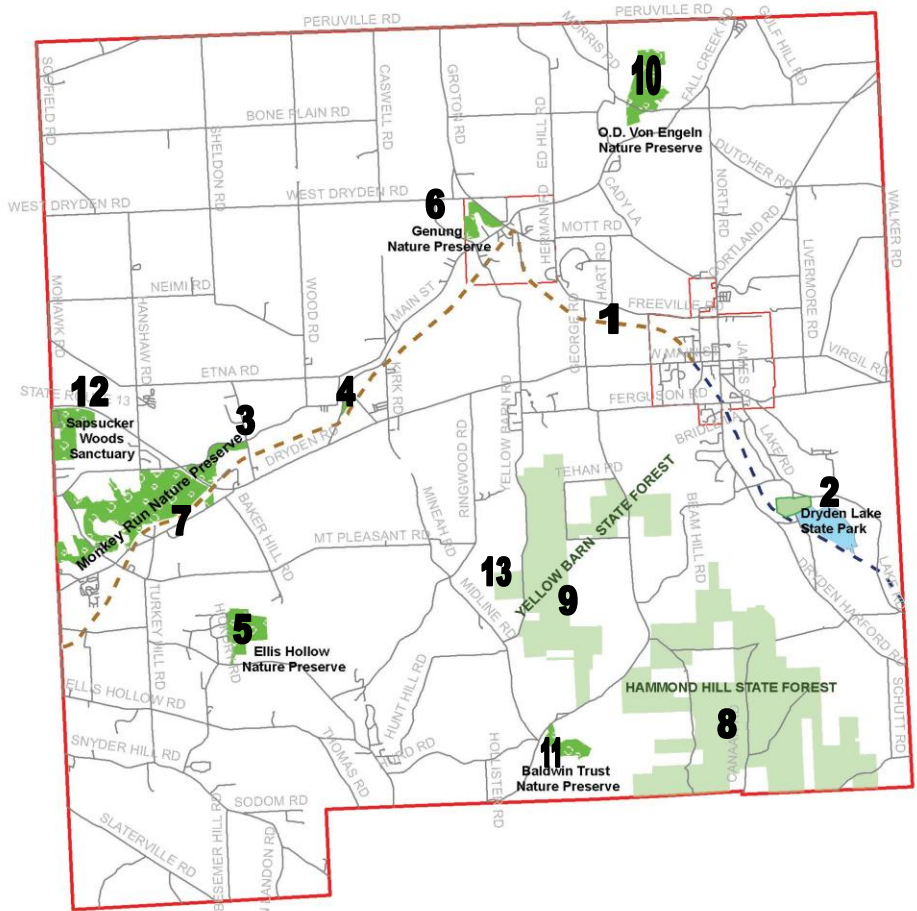
An easy and inviting trail leads you through a former farm field along one of the loveliest, wildest stretches of Six-Mile Creek.

12 Sapsucker Woods Sanctuary

The 230-acre sanctuary encompasses forests, ponds, ferny swamps, and abundant wildlife. Great for bird watching.

13 Roy H Park

This 241-acre preserve encompasses an extensive forest, wetlands, and a rugged stretch of Six-Mile Creek.



For more information about trails in Dryden visit the following websites:

Town of Dryden Website

www.dryden.ny.us/board-commission-list/rail-trail-task-force/parks-and-trails

Finger Lakes Land Trust

www.flit.org

New York State Parks

www.parks.ny.gov

Cayuga Trails Club

www.Cayugatrailsclub.org

New Dryden Trail Guide Coming Soon!

Call the Recreation Department: 844-8888 x4 for more information.