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**PROGRAMS FOR
TODDLER, YOUTH, ADULT
& SENIOR ADULTS AGES
INCLUDING FALL
SPECIAL EVENTS!**

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Refund Policy

The following refund policy is in effect:

- “ If a program/activity is cancelled by the Parks & Recreation Dept. a full refund will be issued.
- “ To avoid classes being cancelled at the last minute due to insufficient enrollment & in order to accommodate waitlist, refund request must be made no later than five (5) business days before the program begins
- “ Refunds are generally not given once a program has begun, however in the event of injury or illness, a refund request will be considered if accompanied by a doctor’s note. No refunds on tickets, trips or pool passes.
- “ Absolutely no refunds will be given for any unused portion of a program/activity.
- “ All refunds are subject to a \$10.00 processing fee.
- “ When a program/activity is run by a third party vendor, no refunds will be given after 5 business days prior to the start of the program/activity.
- “ All refunds are issued back in the original payment format, except cash.

Weather

If Branford Public Schools are cancelled or dismissed early, all Parks and Recreation programs and activities will be cancelled. If schools have a delay opening, programs will continue as scheduled, except for programs starting prior to 10:00 AM. Please Note: If the BOE cancels their evening activities, it will be at the discretion of our Department to keep evening programs on as scheduled. For the most up to date information, please visit our website or call the office.

Registration and Department Info

Information in this brochure will continually be updated as additional information becomes available.

Please check our website for updates or call the office at 203-488-8304.

Safety is our #1 priority. Guidelines have been put in place for each program with the safety of staff and program participants in mind. We ask that you adhere to all guidelines for our programs and activities.

How to Register

You can register by phone, in-person or on-line. Need help creating an account? Call the office at 203-488-8304 or visit us on-line at BranfordRecreation.org and click on “Create an Account.”

Registration Payment

Forms of payment: Cash, Check or Credit Card. VISA & Mastercard are accepted on-line, by mail and in-person. Cash payments are only accepted during office hours. If paying by check, please make checks or money orders payable to “Treasurer, Town of Branford. A \$20 fee will be assessed for returned checks.

A non-resident fee may apply.



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Upcoming Community House Closings *office closes at noon (12pm)

Monday	Sept. 7th	Labor Day
Monday	Oct. 12th	Columbus Day
Wednesday	Nov. 11th	Veterans Day
Thursday	Nov 26th & 27th	Thanksgiving Holiday
Thursday	Dec. 24th*	Christmas Eve
Friday	Dec. 25 th	Christmas Day
Thursday	Dec. 31st *	New Year’s Eve
Friday	Jan. 1 st	New Year’s Day

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Meet The Staff



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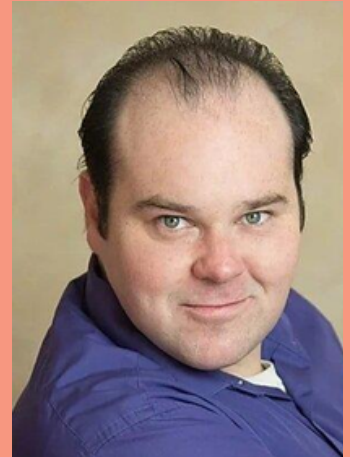
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BRANFORD FALL PHOTOS!



BRANFORD FALL PHOTOS– CREDITS

- 1 - Kelly Ann**
- 2 - Wendy Burton**
- 3 - The Riccio's**
- 4 - Carissa Anastasio**
- 5 - Mary Lion**
- 6 - Patricia Santoro**
- 7 - Kelly Ann**
- 8 - Jessica Pretak**
- 9 - Mica Notz**
- 10 - Kelsey Olson**
- 11 - Heather Green**
- 12 - Carissa Anastasio**
- 13 - Cindy O'Neill**
- 14 - Kelly Ann**
- 15 - Wendy Burton**
- 16 - Sue Craig**
- 17 - Mary Lion**
- 18 - Carissa Anastasio**
- 19 - Wendy Burton**
- 20 - Megan Wanerka**
- 21 – Paige Vickerman**



TODDLER PROGRAMS



T-BALL FUN:

Instructor: Led by Parks & Recreation Coaches Ricky & Joe

This program is designed to introduce toddlers to the fundamentals of baseball with guardians by their side. Fun drills of running, hitting the ball off a tee, throwing, catching, and much more!

DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Mon. Sept. 14th - Oct. 19th*	3 - 5	11:00 - 11:30 AM	\$50	Hammer Field
*Skip Oct. 12th				

“STAYING FIT”- TODDLER PROGRAM:

Instructor: Jillian Temple, Personal Trainer

Let's get moving!!! Bring your little one to Hammer Field and join Personal Trainer Jill Temple as she leads fun physical activities to get your toddler moving! This program is designed for you and your child to get moving in a fun way in a variety of group games, sport activities, and other gross motor activities! Your children will have a blast as they get their wiggles and giggles out in a fun recess setting.



DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Tue. Sept. 8th - Sept. 29th	2 - 4	10:00 - 10:30 AM	\$50	Hammer Field/Joe Trapasso CH
Tue. Oct. 6th - Oct. 27th	2 - 4	10:00 - 10:30 AM	\$50	Hammer Field/Joe Trapasso CH
Fri. Nov. 3rd - Nov. 29th	2 - 4	10:00 - 10:30 AM	\$50	Hammer Field/Joe Trapasso CH

TODDLER AND ME-CREATIVE MOVEMENT:

Instructors: Ms. Paola Rarick & Studio One Staff

Come join us for a dynamic creative movement class that teaches toddlers the joy of music and dance. The toddlers will be accompanied by an adult. This is a wonderful bonding experience and a great way to introduce our toddlers into new environments. Classes will be held at Studio One, 4 Brushy Plain Road.



DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Tue. Sept. 8th - Sept. 29th	1.5 - 3	9:30 - 10:00 AM	\$60	Studio One
Tue. Oct. 6th - Oct. 27th	1.5 - 3	9:30 - 10:00 AM	\$60	Studio One
Tue. Nov. 3rd - Nov. 24th	1.5 - 3	9:30 - 10:00 AM	\$60	Studio One

TINY TUMBLERS:

Instructors: Ms. Paola Rarick & Studio One Staff

This is a fun and engaging class for 2-8 year olds where they will learn the foundations of tumbling and acrobatics. It is a great way to keep your child moving this summer! No experience necessary.

DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Fri. Sept. 25th - Oct. 23rd	2-4	4:45 - 5:30 PM	\$85	Studio One
Fri. Sept. 25th - Oct. 23rd	5-8	5:30 - 6:15 PM	\$85	Studio One

TODDLER PROGRAMS

PARK & PLAYGROUND PLAY DAY:

Instructor: Led by Parks & Recreation Coaches Ricky & Joe

How many parks in Branford have you been to? Join Coach Ricky & Joe in this five week program where each week you and your toddlers will experience a new park and playground around town! Different field games and playground games will be instructed at each park in a fun, organized, recess setting as your child develops on their social and motor skills. Pack a lunch so you can hang out in the park with your child after class! Parks to be visited in order (subject to change) are: Parker Park, Bayview Park, Foote Park, Veteran's Park, and Branford Hills.



DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Wed. Sept. 16th - Oct. 14th	2 - 5	11:00 - 11:30 AM	\$50	See Above

COMMUNITY PLAYGROUP W/ BRANFORD EARLY START PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN (BESPC):

A playgroup for any parent or guardian that offers a nurturing space for families to connect and grow together through a blend of educational and playful experiences. Parents or caregivers, accompanied by their child, will participate in engaging activities designed to foster early development and social connections. Led by coordinators from Branford Early Start and Family Resource Center, sessions will include songs and fingerplays, as well as small-group activities that promote social skills and cooperative play. To round out the experience, children and families will enjoy free time to develop large motor skills. Walk-ins are welcome, but pre-registration is preferred! NOTE: Must sign in with instructor upon arrival.



DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Thu. Sept. 10th - No. 19th	2 - 4	10:00 - 10:50 AM	FREE!	Joe Trapasso CH

LITTLE KICKS (VICTORY INTRO TO SOCCER):

Instructor: Victory Soccer

Ages 2–3: Led by Victory Soccer coaches, this introductory soccer program combines play and exploration with fun, soccer-themed physical activities to support coordination, social skill development, and overall well-being. By focusing on fundamental skills—such as kicking, running, and balance—children gain valuable physical and social benefits. Parent participation is required to help them feel comfortable and engaged. Children will receive a T-shirt and an end-of-season medal.

Ages 4–6: Led by Victory Soccer coaches, this program focuses on introducing basic soccer skills—such as dribbling, kicking, and running—through fun and engaging activities. Children will also learn to interact with others, share, and cooperate as part of a team. The program includes 1v1, 2v2, and 3v3 gameplay to help develop confidence and real-game experience. Children will receive a T-shirt and an end-of-season medal.



DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Sun. Sep. 13 th - Nov. 1st	2-3	9:00 - 9:30 AM	\$100	Veterans Park
Sun. Sep. 13 th - Nov. 1st	4	9:45 - 10:15 AM	\$100	Veteran's Park
Sun. Sep. 13 th - Nov. 1st	5-6	9:45 - 10:15 AM	\$100	Veteran's Park

LITTLE LACROSSE STARS:

Instructor: Jill Temple

Led by Coach Jill Temple, your child will experience all the introductory fundamentals of the fun game of Lacrosse. Currently a Division II Lacrosse Coach herself at Southern Connecticut University, Jill is extremely passionate of the game and will strive to emphasize fun, teamwork, and proper hand-eye coordination and motor skills of all players in a fun, recess setting. Small lacrosse sticks and bouncy balls will be provided. No additional equipment needed.



DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Fri. Oct. 2nd - Oct. 23rd	2 - 4	5:30 - 6:00 PM	\$50	Hammer Field

TODDLER PROGRAMS

ULTIMATE BALL TIME:

Instructor: Led by Parks & Recreation Coaches Ricky & Joe

Come have fun with your child in this informational program where any ball game that you can imagine (soccer balls, nerf balls, kick balls, basketballs, baseballs, golf balls, foam balls, and many more) will be used. Children will learn everything there needs to know about balance, hand eye coordination and teamwork. Parent participation is encouraged.



DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Wed. Oct. 14th - Nov. 18th* <i>*skip Nov. 11th</i>	2 - 5	10:30 - 11:00 AM	\$50	Hammer Field

SOCCER SQUIRTS:

Instructor: Led by Parks & Recreation Coaches Ricky & Joe

Calling all adults and children ages three to five... join Coach Ricky and Joe and show off your soccer moves! Basic running, jumping, passing and additional soccer skills will be taught. Parent participation is required.



DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Thu. Oct. 15th - Nov. 12th	2 - 5	11:00 - 11:30 AM	\$50	Hammer Field

LITTLE TRACK & FIELD STARS:

Instructor: Jill Temple

Get those running shoes on and come run around with Coach Jill! Does your child love to move? Try out this class led by Coach Jill Temple! You and your little ones will move (and even run!) alongside Coach Jill. Class will involve various running exercises and games that will get your little ones moving non-stop like a Track & Field star. Burn off that energy in a fun & safe recess setting during the cold Winter months with Coach Jill!



DATE:	Ages:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Fri. Oct. 30th - Nov. 20th	2 - 4	5:30 - 6:00 PM	\$50	Joe Trapasso CH



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TODDLER & YOUTH PROGRAMS

NEW HAVEN **BALLET**

New Haven Ballet is a premier school for classical ballet training throughout Greater New Haven. They have been providing the highest caliber professional classical ballet training and dance education in southern Connecticut for over thirty years. Students in the Children's Division will develop a love of dance and music through age-appropriate movement classes. The staff welcomes students who want to learn to dance for the sheer joy and pleasure of movement. For more information about the class [dress code](#) and [hair requirements](#), please click the links!

TINY DANCERS:

Instructor: New Haven Ballet

Through music, rhythm, and imaginative play, children discover the joy of movement while learning the basic positions and posture of classical ballet. This gentle, creative class nurtures coordination, confidence, and focus in a warm, supportive environment, the perfect first step in your child's ballet journey.

DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
'Creative Movement': Tue. Sept. 1st - Oct. 6th	4 - 5	4:45 - 5:30 PM	\$60	Joe Trapasso CH
'Pre-Dance': Tue. Oct. 13th - Nov. 24th	4 - 5	4:45 - 5:30 PM	\$60	Joe Trapasso CH

BALLET BEGINNINGS:

Instructor: New Haven Ballet

Young dancers build a strong foundation in classical ballet technique while continuing to explore musicality, creativity, and expression. This class balances structure with imagination, helping students develop grace, strength, and confidence as they grow in both skill and artistry.

DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
'Ballet Foundations': Tue. Sept. 1st - Oct. 6th	6 - 8	5:30 - 6:15 PM	\$60	Joe Trapasso CH
'Dynamic Dancers': Tue. Oct 13th - Nov. 24th	6 - 8	5:30 - 6:15 PM	\$60	Joe Trapasso CH

WINTER PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITY: "Nutcracker" at the Shubert!

Dancers enrolled in classes have the exciting opportunity to participate in the Winter performance at the [Shubert Theatre](#) in downtown New Haven.

To be eligible, students must be registered in ALL sessions of their classes. Auditions will be held on Saturday & Sunday, September 19th-20th, at the New Haven Ballet's main studio in New Haven. Students will attend mandatory Saturday & Sunday afternoon rehearsals leading up to the performance, as well as theatre rehearsals during performance week.

The performance takes place at the Shubert Theatre, 247 College Street, New Haven, on December 11th-13th. A performance fee includes costume rental and participation in this unforgettable experience. Performing on stage is a wonderful way for young dancers to grow in confidence, teamwork, and joy.

We encourage all eligible students to audition!

TODDLER & YOUTH PROGRAMS

We are excited to partner with Legacy Theatre to offer many opportunities for the community to expand your creative arts and theatre experiences! See Fall sessions below.



TODDLER MUSIC & MOVEMENT:

Instructor: Chelsea Dacey

A joyful introduction to music, movement, and imagination for our youngest performers. Each week features a playful theme incorporating scarves, ribbons, shaker eggs, solfège bells, simple choreography, and creative movement. This class supports motor skills, language development, confidence, and social connection in a fun and nurturing environment. This is a non-performance-based class.

DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Sat. Oct. 3rd - Nov. 14th * 2 - 5		9:00 - 9:30 AM	\$150	Joe Trapasso CH

SHOWCASE CLASS: AN ORIGINAL MUSICAL:

Instructor: Chelsea Dacey

A Holiday Twist on Musical Theatre

Come prepared for the first class with a short holiday-themed song, approximately 30 seconds, to perform with a backing track or a cappella. Students will create their own characters and originate their own roles in the musical while working together to develop an original holiday musical featuring seasonal favorites, and more. The process includes character development, musical theatre technique, ensemble work, and the use of simple scenery, costumes, and props.

About the Musical

When the elves realize they'll have to prepare for the holiday season on their own - Tinsel takes charge and activates "Operation Elves." Together, the elves decorate, wrap presents, pack the sleigh, and work to keep their holiday spirit alive! Featuring seasonal favorites, and more, this original musical is filled with music, comedy, teamwork, and holiday magic. The session will culminate in a fully staged Showcase at Legacy Theatre for family and friends. Auditions will be held during the first class, and every student will be cast. No prior experience needed!

Student Information & Audition Form

Please complete the Holiday Showcase Student Information & Audition Form before the first class. The form includes student information, character interests, costume sizing, and audition song details. If singing with a backing track, you'll also be able to upload the MP3 or provide a link.

FINAL TWO CLASSES WILL BE HELD AT LEGACY THEATRE

DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Sat. Oct. 3rd - Dec. 5th* *NO CLASS NOV. 14 th & 28 th	7 - 15	9:30 - 11:00 AM	\$275	Joe Trapasso CH

YOUTH PROGRAMS

MUNCHKIN TENNIS LESSONS:

Instructor: BHS Boys Tennis Coach, Paul Gagliardi

Participants will learn the basics of the game of tennis, through a variety of fun, skill building activities. Children will learn the fundamental stroke production and the ABS's (Agility, balance and coordination) of tennis. Participants should bring a water bottle and have their own tennis racquet.



DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Sat. Sept. 12th - Oct. 10th	4 - 5	9:00 - 9:45 AM	\$105	Foote Park Clay Courts

JUNIOR CHILDREN'S TENNIS LESSONS:

Instructor: BHS Boys Tennis Coach, Paul Gagliardi

Participants will learn the forehand, backhand, serve and volley with drills, fun games, and game situations. Scoring, strategy and match play for singles and doubles will be incorporated. Participants should bring a water bottle and have their own tennis racquet.

DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Sat. Sept. 12th - Oct. 10th	6 - 8	9:45 - 10:45 AM	\$120	Foote Park Clay Courts

JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT:

Instructor: BHS Boys Tennis Coach, Paul Gagliardi

Program is open for all skill level players who want to learn or continue to develop on how to serve, keep score, and play a match. Participants should bring a water bottle and have their own tennis racquet.

DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Sat. Sept. 12th - Oct. 10th	9 - 13	9:45 - 10:45 AM	\$120	Foote Park Clay Courts
Mon. Sept. 14th - Oct. 12th	9 - 13	5:30 - 6:30 PM	\$120	Foote Park Clay Courts
CANCELLED!				

YOUTH PICKLEBALL BEGINNER LESSONS

Instructor: Instructors from Victory Multi-Sports, Stan Latkowski and Dave Yerby
IPTPA (International Pickleball Teaching Professional Association) Certified Instructors!



Calling all young pickleball beginners! The sport of pickleball is growing, so let's help grow your game! Players will learn the fundamentals of pickleball, including basic strokes, rules, scoring, and introductory strategy. Each session will combine instruction with fun, age-appropriate games and opportunities to play, helping participants build confidence and prepare for more competitive play. All players must come with their own Pickleball paddle.

DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Fri. Sept. 18- Oct. 23*	8 - 13	5:00- 6:00 PM	\$125	Veteran's Park Courts

*skip 10/9

KEEP A LOOKOUT FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT
A SPRING 2027 PICKLEBALL LEAGUE!
MORE DETAILS TO COME!

YOUTH PROGRAMS

LEGO ADVENTURES W/ PLAY-WELL TEKNOLOGIES:

Instructor: Play-Well TEKnoLogies

During half days of school & days off of school. let your imagination run wild with tens of thousands of LEGO® parts! Build engineer-designed projects and use special pieces to create your own unique designs! See below the type of workshop for each session. Projects are rotated seasonally to ensure that both new and returning students can explore the endless creative possibilities of the LEGO® building system.



DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Session 1: Wednesday Sept. 30th Engineering Workshop	5 - 9	1:45 - 4:00 PM	\$35	Joe Trapasso CH
Session 2: Wednesday Oct. 28th Haunted House Workshop	5 - 9	1:45 - 4:00 PM	\$35	Joe Trapasso CH
Session 3: Tuesday Nov. 3rd (<i>Election Day</i>) Dino Design	5 - 9	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	\$35	Joe Trapasso CH

VOLLEYBALL FUNDAMENTALS (Co-Ed):

Instructor: Coaches from CT Sports Network

Led by coaches from CT Sports Network, this new Fall class is designed to help continue, or start, your individual Volleyball development. Our master coaches will teach you all the technical skills needed to play the game (volley, bump, serve and spike), rotations, game scenarios and the rules of the game in a fun filled environment, which promotes good sportsmanship, teamwork and most of all, FUN! Open to both beginner and experienced players (boys & girls). Players should bring water, wear sneakers, and if wanted, knee pads as well.



***OPEN PLAY FOR ADULTS!** CT Sports will have their instructor stay on-site to help supervise, play, and coach adult players (if they want to enhance on their skills/fundamentals) in this open-play program! Available for all adults 18+ & all skill levels. Sign up for individual week(s) instead of committing for the full session!

DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Session 1: Tue. Sept. 15th - Oct. 20th	8 - 11	5:00 - 6:00 PM	\$145	Joe Trapasso CH
Session 2: Tue. Sept. 15th - Oct. 20th	12 - 15	6:00 - 7:00 PM	\$145	Joe Trapasso CH
*Session 3: Tue. Sept. 15th - Oct. 20th	18+	7:00 - 8:30 PM	\$10 per week	Joe Trapasso CH

SUNFISH SWIM CLUB:

Instructor: Sally Noel, BHS Girls Swim Coach

The sunfish swim club is a good introduction to a swim team environment that includes teaching and refining the different strokes, fundamentals of flip turns, dives, and the cooperation of a swim practice all while having fun! **IMPORTANT PRE-REQUISITES:** Participants must be at a Level 4 swim level or higher, of freestyle demonstrating side or rotary breathing, 25 yards of backstroke with horizontal body position, and tread water for at least one minute



Date:	Ages:	Time:	Fee:	Location:
Tue/Thu. Sept. 29th - Nov. 12th*	8 - 14	6:30 - 7:30 PM	\$85	WIS Pool

*No Class November 3rd

YOUTH PROGRAMS

MARY'S CULINARY KIDS COOKING CLASSES:

Instructor: Chef Mary

Put your aprons on and learn some culinary skills while you make a delicious meal. Join Mary in the kitchen for a unique, hands-on culinary experience that will engage children in creating delicious dinners and desserts. Participants will explore, create, and learn basic cooking techniques! Please wear closed-toe shoes, long hair is pulled back, and bring a water bottle. Class size is limited.



Half Day of School Classes:

Date:	Ages:	Time:	Fee:	Location:
Session 1: Wednesday Sep. 30th	6 - 13	1:45 - 3:45 PM	\$45	Joe Trapasso CH
<i>Caprese gnocchi and campfire cookies</i>				
Session 2: Wednesday Oct. 28th	6 - 13	1:45 - 3:45 PM	\$45	Joe Trapasso CH
<i>Ghost fried dough and ghost s'mores dip</i>				

After School Classes:

Date:	Ages:	Time:	Fee:	Location:
Session 1: Tuesday Sep. 15th	6 - 13	4:30 - 6:30 PM	\$45	Joe Trapasso CH
<i>Apple butter pork chops and brownie cookie dough sandwiches</i>				
Session 2: Thursday Oct. 15th	6 - 13	4:30 - 6:30 PM	\$45	Joe Trapasso CH
<i>Skull Pizza and Skeleotn Cupcakes</i>				
Session 3: Thursday Nov. 19th	6 - 13	4:30 - 6:30 PM	\$45	Joe Trapasso CH
<i>Ground turkey sicilian pasta and turkey oreo truffles</i>				
Session 4: Tuesday Dec. 1st	6 - 13	4:30 - 6:30 PM	\$45	Joe Trapasso CH
<i>Reindeer quesadilla and christmas tree trifle</i>				
Session 5: Thursday Dec. 17th	6 - 13	4:30 - 6:30 PM	\$45	Joe Trapasso CH
<i>Santa pizza and christmas explosion cupcakes</i>				

THE CODER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Instructor: Coder School Instructors

The Coder School will teach kids how to code in computers with instructors guiding them through their technical journey. See different theme sessions below for different ages.

More details are shown on our website. Classes offered at The Coder School facility in Branford on East Main St.

[Click here to learn more about The Coder School.](#)



DATES:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
'Minecraft Coding': Wed. Sept. 16th- Oct. 21st	8-10	5:00 - 6:00 PM	\$179	Coder School
'Robotics & Block Coding': Thu. Sept. 17th - Oct. 22nd	7-10	4:00 - 5:00 PM	\$179	Coder School
'Python Coding': Sat. Sept. 19th - Oct. 24th	9.5-13	10:00 - 11:00 AM	\$190	Coder School



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YOUTH PROGRAMS

POTTERY PIECES W/ FIRED UP!

Instructor: Fired Up!

Join Fired Up Pottery for a night of various holiday-themed pottery crafts and create your own piece! Pieces can be picked up at Fired Up's studio on Main Street in Branford a week after the class ends!



DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Halloween: Thursday, Oct. 22nd	5 - 10	6:00 - 7:30 PM	\$30	Joe Trapasso CH
Christmas/Hanukkah: Thursday, Dec. 17th	5 - 10	6:00 - 7:30 PM	\$30	Joe Trapasso CH

HOOPS AT THE Q-HOUSE:

Led by Parks & Rec Staff, learn basic skills for the game of basketball in a non-traditional way. Participants will have fun running, dribbling, shooting, and more! Please wear sneakers and bring your own water bottle. **DUE TO LIMITED SPACE IN THIS PROGRAM, PLEASE REGISTER FOR ONLY ONE SESSION.**



DATE:	GRADES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Session 1: Tue. Dec. 1st - Jan. 19th*	K - 1	4:00 - 4:45 PM	\$70	Joe Trapasso Gym
Session 2: Thu. Dec. 3rd - Jan. 28th**	K - 1	4:00 - 4:45 PM	\$70	Joe Trapasso Gym

*skip Dec. 29th

**skip Dec. 24th & Dec. 31st

MY HOT COCOA STAND BIZ:

Instructor: SPARK Business Academy

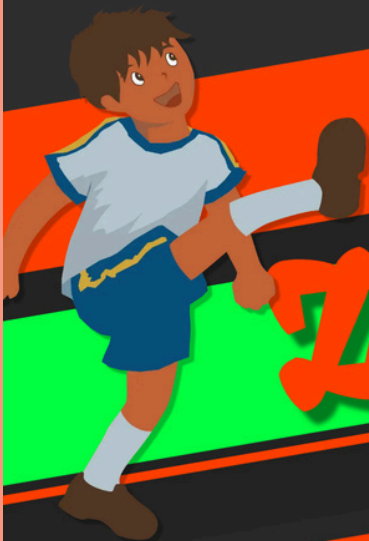
Come learn how to make yummy hot cocoa and how to earn money selling it! A hot cocoa stand is a great way to introduce our youngest entrepreneurs to the world of business and it's fun! This class empowers kids with an entrepreneurial mindset for their "business," drawing from such disciplines as marketing, finance and strategy, in a supporting environment fostering team work. From designing marketing flyers to estimating profits to experimenting with recipes, young students will have fun while engaging in enriching, multi-disciplinary activities with a lasting developmental impact.



DATE:	GRADE:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Mon. Dec 28 - Wed. Dec. 30	K - 4	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM	TBD	Joe Trapasso CH

Branford Parks & Recreation

Kidz Zone Nights KIDS NIGHT OUT!



DATES:

Friday Nights!

*Sept. 18th Oct. 16th**

Nov. 20th Dec. 19th

**Glow-in-the-Dark*

*Laser Tag Night! (*add't cost)*

Adults...Enjoy a night out to yourselves while we take care of your children!

Your child will enjoy a night of entertainment, refreshments, arts & crafts, games, movies and more!!!

Open to Residents only!

Sep 18th- "Wicked For Good!" on the Town Green! We will walk your children from the Community House to the green to watch the movie! Pick up will be at the town green!

Oct 16th - In addition, Laser Tag On The Go will bring their mobile glow-in-the-dark laser tag course to Branford! Enjoy 1.5hrs of Laser Tag!



Grades:
K thru 4th

Time:
5:30p-8:30p

Fee:
\$30 (*\$65)
per night/per child

Pre-registration is required. Space is limited!



GLOW-IN-THE-DARK LASER TAG!

WITH LASER-TAG-ON-THE-GO



PART OF OUR MONTHLY KIDS ZONE NIGHT!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER

16

5:30 - 8:30 PM

Joseph Trapasso
Community House
1.5hrs of Laser Tag
Dinner/snacks provided
Additional classroom activities

FOR GRADES K-4
\$65 per child
Register at
BranfordRecreation.org

NOT AFFILIATED WITH BRANFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

TODDLER & YOUTH PROGRAMS - SWIM LESSONS

We offer swim lessons through our “Learn to Swim Program” taught by American Red Cross certified staff. We believe that all participants need basic aquatic safety and swimming skills. Classes are held at the **Walsh Intermediate School, 185 Damascus Road, Branford.** Please make sure that you park in the parking lot (not in any NO PARKING ZONES) and enter through Door 157. Classes include water safety topics, basic water skills and stroke techniques. The prerequisite for each level is successful demonstration of the skills from the preceding level. If there is a wrong enrollment, every effort will be made to transfer into the appropriate level depending on space.



Parent-Infant/Toddler Swim Lessons: 6mos. - 3yrs. Class is 20 mins.

Children will be introduced to the water and encouraged to feel comfortable through water play, songs & games. Classes are designed to familiarize the child with the water and prepare them for Preschool Aquatics levels as they age up. Classes are not designed to teach them to swim or to survive in the water. A parent must be in the water with their child. (Class is 20 mins.)

Preschool Aquatics Swim Lessons: 4 & 5 years old Class is 20 mins.

Preschoolers will be oriented to the aquatic environment while building upon basic aquatic skills and being safe around the water. (Class is 20 mins.)

Level 1 - Introduction to Water Skills: 6 - 12yrs. Class is 30 mins.

Students will begin to develop self confidence, good swimming habits & learn safe practices in and around the water.

Level 2 - Fundamental Aquatics: 6 - 12yrs. Class is 30 mins.

Must have completed Level 1. Participants gain success with fundamental skills, including learning how to float without support and to recover to a vertical position.

Level 3 - Stroke Development: 6 - 12yrs. Class is 30 mins.

Must have completed Level 2. Through additional guided practice and building on previous skills, this level will help improve swimming skills in deeper water.

Level 4 - Stroke Refinement : 6 - 12yrs. Class is 45 mins.

Must have completed Level 3. Through additional guided practice and building on previous skills, this level will help improve swimming skills in deeper water.

Level 5: Stroke Refinement : 6-12yrs. Class is 45 mins.

Must have successfully completed Level 4. Participants will further refine strokes and gain endurance. New skills including flip turns and head-first surface dives are introduced.

TEEN BEGINNER: 13-18yrs. Class is 45 mins.

For teens who have aged out of our Learn to Swim program & are still looking to work on their basic aquatic & swimming skills.

Lessons are held Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays

**GO TO BRANFORDRECREATION.ORG
FOR
THE FULL SWIM LESSON SCHEDULE**

BPRSS PRESENTS



Teen Leadership Program

Developing leadership and caregiver skills

WHEN: TUESDAYS, September 22nd–November 17th

PLACE: J.T. Community House

TIME: 4:00 PM– 5:30 PM

FEE: \$40.00

A training program designed to help young individuals (6th–10th Grade) strengthen leadership abilities, improve confidence and self-esteem, communication skills, and teamwork through practical learning experiences. CPR & First Aid Training included.

Sign up today @ Branfordrecreation.org

**EARN A JOB AS AN AMERICAN
RED CROSS CERTIFIED LIFEGUARD**



LIFEGUARD TRAINING CLASS

LIFE SKILLS SAVE LIVES!

Start your lifelong career as a lifeguard today!!

***CLASS WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE
WALSH INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL POOL***

***To register and to receive online training materials,
please email Lisa at rathsacklisak@sbcglobal.net***

\$200 payment after completion of pre-requisites



CLASS REQUIREMENTS

- *At least 15 years of age by the last class
- *Access to a computer
- *Swim 200 yards continuously
- *Tread water for 2 minutes ~ legs only
- *Complete a timed brick retrieval task in the deep end

FALL 2026 CLASS SCHEDULE

(MUST ATTEND ALL SESSIONS!)

Monday 9/14- 5:30-8:30pm
Wednesday 9/16, 5:30-8:30pm
Friday 9/18, 5:30-8:30pm
Saturday 9/19, 10:00am-1:30pm
Monday 9/21, 5:30-8:30pm
Wednesday 9/23, 5:30-8:30pm
Friday 9/25, 5:30-8:30pm

**Any questions, please contact the office at 203-488-8304 or
email recreation@branford-ct.gov**

ADULT PROGRAMS

MAHJONG PLAYER'S CLUB:

Continue playing the game you love with others to improve your game. Sets will be provided. Please note there is no game instruction provided in the Players Club. Choose between a daytime session or evening session.



DATE:	AGE:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Daytime Session: Tue. Sept. 1st - Dec. 22nd	18+	12:30 - 3:00 PM	\$15	Joe Trapasso CH
Evening Session: Wed. Sept 2nd - Dec. 16th*	18+	5:30 - 9:00 PM	\$15	Joe Trapasso CH

MAHJONG BEGINNER LESSONS:

Interested in learning how to play American MahJong? Taught by Elizabeth Santoro, she will lead this 6-week Mahjong course which includes game basics such as set up, play, and strategies. This game is of Chinese origin, played with tiles similar physically to those used in dominoes, but engraved with Chinese symbols & characters. Each week will build off the previous week's lesson, so it's important students try their best to attend every week! Students MUST also purchase a 2026 Player's Card (link below) if they don't already own one. Sets will be provided. Sign up today!

2026 Player's Card Link: <https://www.nationalmahjongleague.org/store.aspx#>

DATE:	AGE:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Tue. Oct. 6th - Nov. 10th	18+	5:30 - 7:30 PM	\$70	Joe Trapasso CH

ATTITUDE DANCE & FITNESS CLASSES:

Instructor: Robyn Dinatale from Attitude Dance & Fitness



Power Barre (Mon.): A total body workout mix of low to no impact movements structured with an element of basic ballet. Combine with light hand-held weights and the result is toned, lean muscle. The ultimate fun fat burner. All levels of experience welcome. Weights are limited, so please come with your own if possible. Bring a mat.

Strength Fusion (Wed.): This strength training class helps build bone and muscle vital to the aging process and utilizes various resistance tools including dumbbells, resistance bands and even your own body weight. There's always something different and something for everyBODY! All levels of experience welcome. Weights are limited, so please come with your own if possible. Bring a mat.

Qi-Gong (Mon. and/or Wed.): Qigong is an ancient Chinese practice that involves the cultivation and balance of Qi, pronounced (Chee), the body's vital energy. Coordination of body-posture, body movement, breathing, and meditation are involved in this exercise as you improve on your physical and emotional well-being. Register for one day or both days.

Date:	Ages:	Time:	Fee:	Location:
Power Barre: Mon. Sept. 21st - Nov. 2nd	18+	5:45 - 6:45 PM	\$60	Joe Trapasso CH
Strength Fusion: Wed. Sept. 10th - Oct. 24th	18+	5:45 - 6:45 PM	\$60	Joe Trapasso CH
Qi-gong: Mon. or Wed. Sept. 9th - Nov. 9th	18+	6:45 - 7:45 PM	\$55	Joe Trapasso CH

ADULT PROGRAMS

POP-UP BEACH SIDE PILATES W/ COASTAL CORE PILATES:

Instructor: Coastal Core Pilates

Join us this summer/Fall for Pop-Up Pilates classes at the beautiful Branford Point Beach. This 50-minute Mat Pilates class is a full-body, low-impact workout led by a comprehensively certified instructor from Coastal Core Pilates. No experience needed. Classes are designed for all fitness levels. Participants must pre-register by NOON on the Friday before each class they want to attend. Bring a Pilates or yoga mat, water bottle, sunscreen, towel (optional), and sunglasses (optional).



DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Sat Aug. 29th	18+	9:00 - 9:50 AM	\$25	Branford Point Beach
Sat Sept. 5th	18+	9:00 - 9:50 AM	\$25	Branford Point Beach

STAYING FIT- "DO YOUR BEST TRAINING" Sunrise Workday Workouts:

Instructor: Jill Temple, Personal Trainer

Let's get moving!!! Start your day in the best possible way... exercise classes with Personal Trainer Coach Jill! Indulge in body-weight routines that will challenge, motivate and energize you. Bring a mat and water bottle.



DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Tue./Thu. Sept. 8th - Oct. 1st	18+	6:30 - 7:15 AM	\$100	Joe Trapasso CH
Tue./Thu. Oct. 6th - Oct. 29th	18+	6:30 - 7:15 AM	\$100	Joe Trapasso CH
Tue./Thu. Nov. 5th - Nov. 24th	18+	6:30 - 7:15 AM	\$100	Joe Trapasso CH

CARDIO KICKBOXING:

Instructor: Annie Marchitto

Do you like to sweat? If so then this us your class. Learn kickboxing technique in a high intensity, high impact, high calorie-burning workout covering footwork, balance, endurance, agility, body strength training and improving your cardio. This is a full body workout. No experience needed. Please bring a jump rope, floor mat and a water bottle with you to each class. All levels welcome.



DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Thu. Sept. 10th - Oct. 29th	18+	6:00 - 7:00 PM	\$145	Joe Trapasso CH

ADULT PROGRAMS

ADULT BEGINNER/INTERMEDIATE TENNIS:

Instructor: Paul Gagliardi, BHS Boys Tennis Coach

Participants will be introduced to, or enhance on, the basics of forehand, backhand, serve and volley with drills, fun games, and game situations. Scoring, strategy and match play for singles and doubles will be incorporated. Participants will be grouped by skill level, need to bring their own water bottle, and have their own tennis racquet.



DATE:	AGE:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Mon. Sept. 14th - Oct. 12th	18+	6:00-7:00 PM	\$120	Foote Park Clay Courts

ADULT CAPP TENNIS:

Instructor: Paul Gagliardi, BHS Boys Tennis Coach

CAPP point play is a game based tennis cardio workout. It designed for Intermediate/Advanced players who want a fun and challenging tennis workout. Participants should bring a water bottle and have their own tennis racquet.

DATE:	AGE:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Tue. Sept. 1st - Sept. 29th	18+	6 :00 - 7:30 PM	\$120	Foote Park Clay Courts

ADULT BEGINNER PICKLEBALL LESSONS:

Instructor: Instructors from Victory Multi-Sports, Stan Latkowski and Dave Yerby
IPTPA (International Pickleball Teaching Professional Association) Certified Instructors!



Calling all pickleball beginners! Participants will learn the fundamentals of pickleball, including proper technique, rules, scoring, and basic strategy, while preparing for more competitive play. Each class will combine learning and playing. Participants should bring a pickleball paddle, water, and weather-appropriate clothing to each lesson.

DATE:	AGE:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Tue. Sept. 15th- Oct. 13th	18+	5:30 - 6:45 PM	\$150	Veteran's Park Courts

ADULT INTERMEDIATE PICKLEBALL LESSONS:

Instructor: Instructors from Victory Multi-Sports, Stan Latkowski and Dave Yerby
IPTPA (International Pickleball Teaching Professional Association) Certified Instructors!

This class is designed for players who have completed a beginner pickleball class or have previous experience with basic grips and strokes. Participants will build on their existing skills while developing consistency, shot placement, depth, and strategy. Players should be comfortable with longer dinks and demonstrate consistent deep serves and returns. Each class will combine learning and playing. Participants should bring a pickleball paddle, water, and weather-appropriate clothing to each lesson.

DATE:	AGE:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Thu. Sept. 17th - Oct. 15th	18+	5:30 - 6:45 PM	\$150	Veteran's Park Courts

KEEP A LOOKOUT FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT A SPRING 2027 PICKLEBALL LEAGUE!
MORE DETAILS TO COME!

ADULT PROGRAMS

ADULT SWIM LESSONS:

Beginner: This is an introduction to basic aquatic skills and swimming strokes including floats, glides, the front crawl (free style), breaststroke, and elementary backstroke, in a comfortable and supportive class setting.

Intermediate: Work on gaining the skills needed to swim one length of the pool using strokes including front crawl, breaststroke, elementary backstroke, back crawl and sidestroke.

Participants should be comfortable swimming with their face in the water and be able to use combined arm and leg motions.

Advanced: Work on refining your swim strokes! This level is offered for adults who can comfortably swim a full length pool using front crawl/freestyle, back crawl/backstroke, and breaststroke.



Date:	Ages:	Time:	Fee:	Location:
Advanced: Thu. Oct. 1st - Nov. 12th	18+	6:30 - 7:15 PM	\$75	WIS Pool
Intermediate: Thu. Oct. 1st - Nov. 12 th	18+	7:15 - 8:00 PM	\$75	WIS Pool
Beginner: Thu. Oct. 1st - Nov. 12th	18+	8:00 - 8:30 PM	\$75	WIS Pool
*Skip Nov. 5 th				

AQUACISE:

Join this low-impact, high energy water aerobics workout. This class is held in shallow water with a medium to low intensity. This is a total body workout alternating cardio and muscle conditioning.

Date:	Ages:	Time:	Fee:	Location:
Session 1: Mon. Sept. 28th - Nov. 23rd*	18+	7:30 - 8:30 PM	\$80	WIS Pool
Session 2: Wed. Sept. 30th - Nov. 18th	18+	7:30 - 8:30 PM	\$80	WIS Pool
*skip Oct. 12th				

DEEP WATER AQUACISE ONE DAY SESSIONS:

Join our low-impact, high energy water aerobics workout in the deep end of the WIS Pool. This class is a higher intensity workout (compared to normal aquacise) involving a total body workout while alternating cardio and muscle conditioning. Sign up for one or multiple dates!

Date:	Ages:	Time:	Fee:	Location:
9/12 Deep Water Session	18+	10:15 - 11:15 AM	\$10	WIS Pool
9/26 Deep Water Session	18+	10:15 - 11:15 AM	\$10	WIS Pool



REFER TO PAGE 13 FOR INFO ON A 6 WEEK ADULT OPEN PLAY VOLLEYBALL SESSION!



**WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR SENIOR ADULT (60+) ACTIVITIES?
MAKE SURE TO CHECK OUT THE SENIOR CENTER'S
SEPTEMBER CANOE BROOK NEWSLETTER [HERE!](#)**



**STOP BY OUR OFFICE TO SIGN UP TO BECOME A MEMBER TODAY OR
CREATE AN ACCOUNT AT BRANFORDRECREATION.ORG**

BranfordRecreation.org

ADULT PROGRAMS

Learn To Play Bridge

Instructor: Rick Seaburg

Prerequisite: You should have card playing experience and have played other card games such as setback, rummy, pinochle, cribbage etc. to take this class. This is an 8 week course for people who have never played bridge or are just getting back into the game. The class will cover basic bidding, play of the hand and defense. Students must also purchase the book, "Bridge Basics 1" by Audrey Grant. Click here to purchase on Amazon.



DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Mon. Sept. 14th - Nov. 9 th	18+	10:30 - 11:30 AM	\$160	Joe Trapasso CH

Partnership Bidding

Instructor: Rick Seaburg

Prerequisite: Minimum of 2 years of bridge playing experience

This is a 4 week class focusing on Partnership bidding without interference. The class will cover Opening Bids, Responding bids, and Opener's rebids. We will also discuss seat position, rule of 20 rule of 15 and light openings. Topics covered will be Major Suit bidding, minor suit bidding and No Trump bidding. We will also discuss evaluating hands using Standard American and Losing Trick Count conventions. Students may also purchase the book, "Bidding at Bridge" by Barbara Seagram. Click here to purchase on Amazon.

DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Wed Sept 16th - Oct. 7th	18+	10:30 - 11:30 AM	\$80	Joe Trapasso CH

Competitive Bidding

Instructor: Rick Seaburg

Prerequisite: Minimum of 2 years of bridge playing experience

This is a 4 week class covering Overcalls and responses. We will also discuss the use of doubles in bidding such as take out doubles, negative doubles and support doubles. We will also discuss using potential bidding scores and the law of total tricks in conjunction with LTC to evaluate bidding levels. Students may also purchase the book, "The Modern Losing Trick Count" by Ron Klinger. Click here to purchase on Amazon.

DATE:	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Wed. Oct. 21st - Nov. 10th	18+	10:30 - 11:30 AM	\$80	Joe Trapasso CH

Improv Classes present by Legacy Theatre:

Instructor: Marylou Lauricella

Want to learn the art of improvisation? Join instructor Marylou Lauricella this Fall where classes will involve short form exercises and games that improve your spontaneity, listening skills, and ability to be more present through the art of improvisation.



Adult Beginner Improv	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Sat. Oct. 3rd - Nov. 14th*	18+	9:30 -11:00 AM	\$175	Joe Trapasso CH

Adult Advanced Improv	AGES:	TIME:	FEE:	LOCATION:
Sat. Oct. 3rd - Nov. 14th*	18+	11:15 -12:45 PM	\$175	Joe Trapasso CH

*SKIP OCT. 17TH

THEATRE THURSDAYS

Join Colin Sheehan (Arts, Culture & Special Events Coordinator) for Theatre Thursdays at the historic Goodspeed Opera House (East Haddam, CT) and the Ivoryton Playhouse (Ivoryton, CT).

Each matinee performance begins at 2:00 PM. We will meet at the Joseph Trapasso Community House at noon on the day of the performance. Transportation will be provided by the Senior Center Shuttles.

Please read carefully below! See details of each show and sign up for your interested show.

COME FROM AWAY by Irene Sankoff and David Hein (IVORYTON)

September 3, 2026

Come From Away tells the true story of 7,000 airline passengers stranded in the remote town of Gander, Newfoundland in the aftermath of September 11, 2001. In a moment filled with fear and uncertainty, joy and resilience prevail as the tiny community of Gander pulls together and strangers become friends. Through music, humor and heart this show celebrates the power of human connection, reminds us that kindness can bring people together in the most difficult of times, and affirms that hope can arise in the unlikelyst of places.

The Snow Goose by Scott Gilmour & Claire McKenzie (GOODSPEED)

October 1, 2026

On the windswept coast of England an unlikely bond forms between Philip, a reclusive artist shunned by society, and Frith, a resilient orphan girl, when they rescue a wounded snow goose. With World War II looming, their friendship allows her to imagine a life beyond her village, and him to confront his own humanity as he sets sail on a daring journey to save soldiers trapped at Dunkirk. Discover an unforgettable new musical with a soaring score that will fill your heart.

Annie by Thomas Meehan, Charles Strouse & Martin Charnin (GOODSPEED)

Dec 10, 2026

Leapin' Lizards! The musical that stole America's heart comes home to celebrate its 50th anniversary on the stage where it all began! With pluck and positivity, Annie escapes Miss Hannigan's orphanage in search of her parents and finds a new family with her lovable mutt Sandy and billionaire Oliver Warbucks. This dazzling new production bursts with joy and timeless songs like "Tomorrow," "It's the Hard Knock Life," and "Maybe." You can bet your bottom dollar—it's the can't-miss event of the season!

ADULT PROGRAMS

2026 Men's Fall Basketball League

Announcing the 2026 Fall Men's Basketball League at the Joseph Trapasso Community House invites all men 18+ to register

Location: Joe Trapasso Community House

The 2026 season begins on

Wednesday, September 23rd, 2026

Season runs 9 weeks plus playoffs

Players Draft will be held during the week of
September 14th, 2026

Game Times : 6:30, 7:30 and/or 8:30 PM

Game Location: Joe Trapasso Community House

Registration open to the first 48 players

All players must fill out the player info form upon registration

REGISTRATION FEE: \$120.00

**LIMITED TO THE FIRST 48
PLAYERS REGISTERED.**

To register visit :

www.BranfordRecreation.org

OFFICE: (203)488-8304

EMAIL: recreation@branford-ct.gov



ADULT PROGRAMS



Wednesday Walkers

COME ONE, COME ALL!

Join Branford Parks, Recreation & Senior Services Staff
EVERY WEDNESDAY from 1:00–2:00 PM
starting at The Joseph Trapasso Community House.

RAIN OR SHINE





**Branford Parks, Recreation
& Senior Services present**

**THE 2026
END OF SUMMER
BRANFORD
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ENTERTAINMENT PROVIDED BY

**102d CT Army
National Guard Band**

**Friday, August 28th
on The Branford Green
6:00 - 8:00 PM**

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- **Entertainment**
- **Fun Games**
- **Face Painting**
- **And Much More!**



**Hammer Field
September 20th (Rain Date 27th)
12 PM – 4 PM**

FREE EVENT

FALL COMMUNITY & FAMILY EVENTS

MOVIE NIGHT ON THE GREEN!

WICKED: FOR GOOD

FRIDAY SEP. 18TH

MOVIE TO START AROUND 6:30PM

COME ENJOY A MOVIE ON THE TOWN
GREEN TO WRAP UP THE 2026
SEASON!

FREE EVENT FOR ALL! BRING A
CHAIR/BLANKET TO SIT ON!

LIMITED AMOUNT OF POPCORN,
FRUIT SNACKS, AND WATER
FOR SALE!



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2026 GREAT GOBLIN GIVEAWAY

SPONSORED BY THE BRANFORD
PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

For all Branford boys and girls in Grades K-2...

Beware on Halloween!!!!

You may receive a special treat in the mail from the Goblin.

Check your mailbox if you dare!

It just might be the Goblin coming your way!

You **MUST** pre-register by OCTOBER 23rd

Your treat will be delivered via mail in time for Halloween!

Visit branfordrecreation.org to sign up

(203) 488-8304 recreation@branford-ct.gov



A stylized illustration of a spooky, multi-towered house with glowing windows, set against a dark orange and black background. Bare tree branches frame the top and sides. In the foreground, there are silhouettes of tombstones and a small, dark, rocky path leading towards the house.

BRANFORD PARKS & RECREATION'S

HALLOWEEN HOUSE HUNT

OCTOBER 19th - 29th

Do you love to decorate for Halloween? Be a part of Branford's FOURTH annual Halloween House Hunt! Share your spooky spirit and register your house/business to be included as one of our official stops on our map! Decorate, be creative, and share your Halloween decorations with all!

Visit us online at BranfordRecreation.org or call the office at 203-488-8304 to register by October 14th.

THE HALLOWEEN HOUSE HUNT MAP WILL BE AVAILABLE ONLINE STARTING OCTOBER 19TH!

BranfordRecreation.org

FALL COMMUNITY & FAMILY EVENTS

BRANFORD PARKS, RECREATION, AND SENIOR SERVICES
PRESENTS

JOURNEY TO THE OTHER SIDE



FRIDAYS - OCTOBER 16, 23, & 30, 2026 - 6:00 PM, 7:30 PM, & 9:00 PM
MEET AT BRANFORD TOWN HALL - ALL AGES WELCOME!

FALL COMMUNITY & FAMILY EVENTS

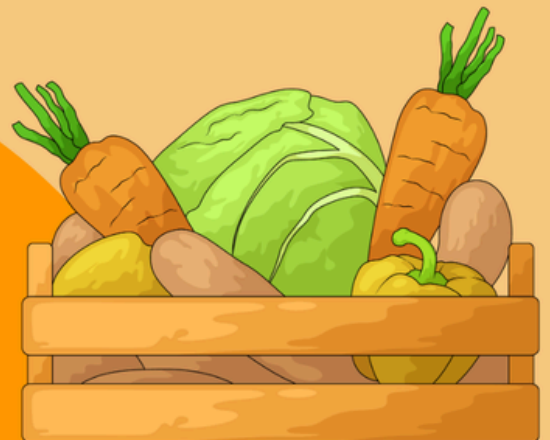
USDA FARMERS TO FAMILIES FOOD



Every week until further notice there will be a variety of fresh fruits & vegetables available to all Branford Residents from local farmers on Thursdays at 11:00am until gone. ***Supplies are limited.*** Volunteers will bring your bag of food to your car. Please do not arrive before 11:00 am.

New Pick-up Location:
Foote Memorial Park
Melrose Avenue

Line up on Melrose Avenue, do not go beyond the gate into the park.



WIS POOL SCHEDULE



WALSH INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL POOL FALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 8th, 2026 - Dec. 22nd, 2026

To access the pool, please park in the rear of the building and enter through **Door 157.**

You can access the pool and locker rooms from this hallway. Branford Residents Only.

You must be out of the building in the mornings by 7:45am & in the evenings by 8:45pm!

MONDAYS:	6:30p-7:30p 6:30p-8:30p 7:30p-8:30p	Learn to Swim Classes (<i>pre-registration required</i>) PUBLIC SWIM – Adults Only (18+)- 2 Lap Lanes only Aquacise Classes (<i>pre-registration is required</i>)
TUESDAYS:	6:30a -7:30a 6:30p-7:30p 6:30p-8:30p 6:30p-8:30p	Morning Swim- Adults Only (18+) Sunfish Swim Club (<i>pre-registration required</i>) Learn to Swim Classes (<i>pre-registration required</i>) PUBLIC SWIM – Adults Only (18+)- 2 Lap Lanes only
WEDNESDAYS:	6:30p-7:30p 6:30p-7:30p 7:30p-8:30p 7:30p-8:30p	PUBLIC SWIM – All Ages Learn to Swim Classes (<i>pre-registration required</i>) PUBLIC SWIM – Adults Only (18+)- 2 Lap Lanes only Aquacise Classes (<i>pre-registration is required</i>)
THURSDAYS:	6:30a -7:30a 6:30p-7:30p 6:30p-8:30p 6:30p-8:30p	Morning Swim- Adults Only (18+) Sunfish Swim Club (<i>pre-registration required</i>) Adult Swim Lessons (<i>pre-registration required</i>) PUBLIC SWIM – Adults Only (18+)- 2 Lap Lanes only
FRIDAYS:	6:30p-8:30p	PUBLIC SWIM – All Ages
SATURDAYS:	10:00a-11:30a 10:00a-12:05p 11:30a-1:30p*	PUBLIC SWIM – Adults Only (18+)- 2 Lap Lanes only Learn to Swim Classes (<i>pre-registration required</i>) PUBLIC SWIM – All Ages <i>*you must be out of the building by 1:45pm</i>

SCHEDULED POOL CLOSINGS: (*Subject to change*)

Oct. 9, Oct. 10, Oct. 12, Nov. 3, Nov. 25-28

****ADDITIONAL CLOSINGS MAY OCCUR FOR SCHOOL FUNCTIONS, STAFFING ISSUES AND WEATHER CONDITIONS****

Last revised 8-20-2026

JOSEPH TRAPASSO INDOOR GYM SCHEDULE

AUGUST 27TH - OCTOBER 17TH, 2026



JOE TRAPASSO GYM SCHEDULE

MONDAYS:	9:30a - 12:00p 3:00p - 5:30p	Parks & Recreation Programming Afterschool Activities
TUESDAYS:	9:30a - 12:00p 12:30 - 2:30p 3:00p - 5:00p 5:00p - 8:30p	Parks & Recreation Programming Lunchtime Open Play Basketball– Adults 18+ Afterschool Activities Volleyball Lessons & Open Play (registration required)
WEDNESDAYS:	9:30a - 12:00p 3:00p - 5:30p 6:30p - 9:00p	Parks & Recreation Programming Afterschool Activities *Adult Men's Basketball League (<i>pre-registration required</i>) *starts Sept. 23rd
THURSDAYS:	9:30a - 12:00p 12:30 - 2:30p 3:00p - 5:30p	Parks & Recreation Programming Lunchtime Open Play Basketball– Adults 18+ Afterschool Activities
FRIDAYS:	9:30a - 12:00p 3:00p - 5:30p	Parks & Recreation Programming Afterschool Activities
SATURDAYS:	8:00a - 12:00p 1:00p - 3:00p 3:00p - 5:00p 5:00p - 7:00p 7:00p - 9:00p	Parks & Recreation Programming Open Play Basketball - Grades K-4th (<i>resident only</i>) Open Play Basketball - Grades 5th -8th (<i>resident only</i>) Open Play Basketball - Grades 9th-12th (<i>resident only</i>) Open Play Basketball - Adults 18+ (<i>resident only</i>)

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SCHEDULE: SUBJECT TO CHANGE | BRANFORD RESIDENTS ONLY

HOLIDAY EVENTS



KEEP A LOOK OUT FOR OUR HOLIDAY & WINTER BROCHURE FOR MORE DETAILS OF THE NUMEROUS HOLIDAY EVENTS THIS YEAR!

RETURNING ANNUAL EVENTS INCLUDE HOLIDAY PARADE & TREE LIGHTING, BEDTIME STORIES WITH MRS. CLAUS, HOLIDAY CARDS FOR SENIORS, LIGHT UP BRANFORD, HAPPY HANUKKAH MENORAH LIGHTING, PEPPERMINT THE ELF, SANTA GIFT DELIVERY, SANTA HOTLINE, SANTA'S WORKSHOP, SNOWFLAKE SCAVENGER HUNT, TODDLER REINDEER GAMES, WRITE TO SANTA, FIRST NIGHT BONFIRE, & MORE!

EXPLORE OUR PARKS

Join us for hikes in town and out of town and enjoy the great outdoors, socialization, exercise and more! Walks meet at 8:45 AM and hiking starts at 9:00 AM from the site locations. All hikers must practice social distancing. If you wish to stay for lunch, bring a bag lunch and a folding chair. Questions about individual hikes should be addressed to the walk leader. Please check the website for updated schedules, directions and times or call the office. Questions about individual hikes should be addressed to the group leader. For more information visit the our website or call the office.

Website: BranfordRecreation.org
Office: 203-488-8304

Explore our Parks

Branford Point / Parker Park

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Contact #: 203-927-3255

Foote Memorial Park

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Hammer Field, Pardee Park, Branford Hills, Riverside Foote Park, Lyons Park, Veteran's Memorial Park, and Flax Mill

Email: recreation@branford-ct.gov
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Young's Pond

Geoff Hotz
Contact #: 203-410-5764

Stony Creek Park Association

Dan Bullard
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Supply Pond

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