

The Recreation Division is responsible for providing recreational and leisure time experiences for Charles County citizens.

Aquatics–Recreation operates two year-round indoor community pools at Lackey and North Point High Schools. During summer months, outdoor pools at La Plata, McDonough, and Thomas Stone High Schools are available. All pools are open to the public for recreational swimming, classes and special events.

Capital Clubhouse–The facility offers activities for all ages and brings new and exciting programming to the residents of Charles County. Located at 3033 Waldorf Market Place, in Waldorf, our newest recreation center offers year-round sports for ice hockey and skating, soccer, futsal, volleyball, inline hockey, lacrosse, field hockey, baseball, youth basketball, softball, fitness, rock climbing, cheerleading, aikido, and flag football. Programs are offered for children as young as three years old to senior citizens.

Discount Tickets–Prices for tickets are discounted 10–15% off the regular gate prices at Six Flags America, Hershey Park, King's Dominion, Sesame Place, Six Flags/ New Jersey, Busch Gardens Amusement Park, and Water Country. Ticket sales are held April–August.

Elite Gymnastics & Recreation Center–This state-of-the-art facility provides an unequalled facility for instruction in gymnastics and dance. Classes range from beginner to advanced, and pre-competitive and competitive teams through 10 levels under the guidance of the USA Gymnastics Jr. Olympic Program. Residents can enjoy recreational programs in dance, fitness, and more at this recreation center.

School-Based Community Centers–offer a variety of programs, services, activities, and recreational opportunities to persons of all ages. In addition to traditional recreation programs, Community Centers offer less-structured programs geared toward developing community cohesion and providing supportive services.

Sports–Noncompetitive indoor youth basketball and soccer leagues, as well as adult basketball and volleyball leagues, are offered. Various indoor sports programs, events, and clinics are also held throughout the year.

Therapeutics–offer cultural and social enrichment for developmentally disabled youth and special needs adults. Summer day camp for special education students age 3–21 with moderate to severe disabilities also offered.

Trips & Tours–Registrants have an opportunity to participate in a variety of experiences. Fees cover admission, transportation, administrative expenses. Senior citizen trips are offered monthly.

To obtain these services, or for additional information, call the Department of Community Services at 301-934-9305 or 301-870-3388 at extension 5152.

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Mission Statement – The mission of Charles County Government is to provide our citizens the highest quality service possible in a timely, efficient, and courteous manner. To achieve this goal, our government must be operated in an open and accessible atmosphere, be based on comprehensive long- and short-term planning, and have an appropriate managerial organization tempered by fiscal responsibility.

Vision Statement – Charles County is a place where all people thrive and businesses grow and prosper; where the preservation of our heritage and environment is paramount; where government services to its citizens are provided at the highest level of excellence; and where the quality of life is the best in the nation.

Americans With Disabilities–The Department of Community Services welcomes the participation of individuals with disabilities. As with all county government, we comply fully with the Americans With Disabilities Act in making reasonable accommodations to encourage involvement. If you require special assistance and would like to participate in our programs, please contact the Department of Community Services.

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Middle School Spring Development Basketball League



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It is well known that life and athletics go hand-in-hand. The passion it took to become a productive adult in many of us took its roots through sports. We at the Department of Community Services not only want to be a part of producing good basketball players; we also want to produce good, well rounded individuals. Through structured competition, our coaches will teach young people sportsmanship and the proper way to deal with victory and defeat.

The Middle School Basketball League will provide students attending grades six through eight, a consistent environment to learn the game of basketball while enjoying their middle school years.

Adopting the concept of playing for the same coach and with the same players for three years will provide youth a better chance to compete with their peers once moving on to the high school level. It is our hope to use the school connection to create a sense of pride in the players, not only for themselves, but also for their schools.

With early exposure to high school leagues, the avenue between academics and athletics should be bridged earlier in an effort to give an athlete a better chance to transition from middle school to high school.

Middle school children are invited to come test their skills versus the best Charles County has to offer in the first Department of Community Services Middle School Spring Developmental Basketball League. This league provides middle school students who have dreams of playing high school basketball an opportunity to play against their peers.

Players will practice twice a week during pre-season and once a week during the regular season with practices starting at 6:00pm (weekdays), and Saturday starting at 10:00am.

There will be an eight game regular season with playoffs. Games will be played twice a week Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. All divisions will be countywide. Divisions are based on grade level.

Participants must show proof of age at time of registration. Players can only play at the middle school Community Center they currently attend. Those attending private school must play for the Center in their appropriate school zone.

Post-season tournament will be played at local-area high schools. Players will receive a team shirt and shorts along with a participation award at the conclusion of the season.

For more information on the programs listed in this brochure, please feel free to contact us at:

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Benefits

- 8 game season
- Single elimination playoffs
- Top Charles County coaches
- Countywide league
- Each player receives game shirt and shorts
- Two practice times per week during pre-season and one weekly practice during the rest of the season
- Friendly, competitive atmosphere with an emphasis on fun, exercise, and sportsmanship
- Heavy emphasis on overall team fundamentals of basketball
- Great exposure to local-area high schools

League

- Open to 6th-8th grade middle school students attending public and private schools in Charles County
- Boys and Girls teams
- Students must play within the middle school district they are zoned for
- Practices begin in March

\$75 per player; includes uniform
Registration is limited

