

South Kingstown Parks and Recreation 2019 Fall Volunteer Opportunities

Hours are available for those currently in grades 8 – 12



It's a very busy time of year for The South Kingstown Parks and Recreation Department and we could use your help! Each year our department holds several large events which require a lot of help in order to make them possible. Each year we look for enthusiastic individuals who are willing to assist with a variety of tasks. All events are family friendly! Listed below is a basic event description which may need to be altered as the event approaches. Those volunteering should be prepared to move tables, chairs, clean up after event as well as other tasks. Individuals must be willing to interact with the general public. Those who sign up will receive an email prior to the event asking them to confirm their attendance. Any changes to the event will also be listed in that email as well.

Fall Special Events / Programs:

***Kid's Fun Zone – Saturday, October 5 at Saugatucket Park (at Wakefield Elementary Sch)**

- Event Hours from 12:00 – 2:30 p.m.
- Volunteer hours from 10:00a.m.– 3:00p.m.
- Event consists of crafts, games, pumpkin painting and more
- Volunteer requirements: assist with event set up/clean up, assisting staff as needed
- this event is held as part of the Main Street Oktoberfest

***Annual Pumpkin Launch – Saturday, November 2 at the Farmers Daughter**

- Event Hours from 12:30 – 2:30 p.m.
- Volunteer hours from 11:30a.m.– 4:00 p.m.
- Event consists of launching pumpkins via a trebuchet, crafts, etc
- Volunteer requirements: assist with event set up/clean up, registration, monitoring safety zone, crafts, etc.
- Rain date is Sunday November 3

***Visits with Santa – Wed, Thur, Fri - December 4, 5, 6 at Neighborhood Guild**

- Event Hours from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.
- Volunteer hours from 5:15 – 7:45 p.m.
- Event consists of children and families visiting with Santa with coloring crafts while they wait
- Volunteer requirements: assist with event set up/clean up, check in, collecting fee, etc.

***Annual Holiday Tree Lighting – Sunday, December 8 at Neighborhood Guild**

- Event Hours from 5:00 – 6:30 p.m.
- Volunteer hours from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.
- Event consists of a movie, crafts, visit from Santa, carol sing, hot chocolate and more
- Volunteer requirements: assist with event set up/clean up, assisting staff with activities

Youth Basketball Program:

Opportunities to assist with this program vary from working with the instructional league (Kindergarten-2nd grade from 9am-1pm) to possibly helping to coach a team in the youth divisions (grades 3 & 4 between 1:30-4:30 PM on Saturdays and 1 weekly one-hour practice per week.) The program runs starts November 23rd. Scorekeepers are also needed on Saturdays for in house basketball. Training is provided. Door/hallway monitors at Peace Dale Elementary School for Tuesday and Thursday in house basketball practices are needed from 5:30-6:15 PM. Additional hours are available to help Recreation Staff on drafting days during the week of October 28th and November 4 (4 nights from 5-7pm). All games and drafting days' take place at the SK Rec Center or Broad Rock Middle School and is supervised by Steve Gruenberg. For more information on volunteering with this program please contact Steve at sgruenberg@southkingstownri.com.

Things to keep in mind when signing up:

-Students must sign up at least 1-week in advance by completing required form which is available at the Guild and at www.southkingstownri.com. Students may not sign up the day of the event/program.

-An email confirmation will be sent once your form is reviewed. Please note, you are not signed up just by submitting the form.

-Any paperwork that you will need sign should be brought the day of event. Only official forms will be signed. The Recreation Supervisor or a designee of the Recreation Department will sign them at the event.

-Those volunteering should be prepared to: move tables/chairs, clean up after event as well as other tasks. Individuals must be willing to interact with the general public.

-Emails will be sent a few days prior to the event to confirm student's attendance and any changes to the event will also be listed in that email as well.

-If an emergency arises on the day of an event you are unable to attend, we ask that you send an email so that we know not to expect you. If you sign up and don't show up, you will not be able to volunteer for the remainder of the school year.

-Unless otherwise noted, attire for the events is casual. For example: jeans without holes, sneakers, Uggs, etc – no flip flops, sweatpants or t-shirts with (advertising) writing on them. We strongly suggest that you dress for the forecasted weather.

For questions regarding fall events, please contact Tracy McGarty, Recreation Supervisor at tmcgarty@southkingstownri.com.

Disclaimer: This event/activity is not a school-sponsored activity and the South Kingstown School department does not endorse or supervise the activity.

