



Goulds Recreation

2022

Hello and a huge welcome to those interested in our Outdoor Basketball Program! We are excited to get back to a much “normal” basketball program! Our past two summers were greatly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. And while those summers were quite challenging, they also opened our eyes to some great program measures that we will be carrying forward. Our priority is to still provide a safe and fun environment for our participants, while offering quality programming. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us at gouldsrecinfo@gmail.com or by phone at 745-7575. If your questions revolve around a confidential nature, please contact our Recreation Coordinator, Nicole, through email at gouldsrecreation@gmail.com or by phone at 745-7504.

AGES: Our program is open to children ages 6-12. Our youngest registrants **MUST** be turning 6 in the 2022 year (finished kindergarten). Please understand that participants **MUST** be very independent when it comes to going to the washroom, dressing and undressing, applying sunblock and hand washing. Ages will be broken up into specific age categories, depending on the number of registrants. Our age groups this year will be 6-9 and 10-12. This may change, depending on registration.

REGISTRATION: Registration will start 9am, Wednesday, June 1st, 2022.

Where to find the link:

- www.gouldsrecreation.com and click on **Basketball/Tennis Registration**
- Goulds Recreation Facebook Page will have a current post containing link

Please ensure that when you register on-line, you put in the correct contact information. Under the contact information section is where the parent or legal guardian puts their information. Under child registration is where you put the required information on your child. Please note that email under child registration will be the parent/guardian’s email again. We are unable to bypass this request. We will not be sending emails to the participants email addresses.

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TENTATIVE SCHEDULE: Program will be 8 weeks, starting July 4th and ending August 24th. *This schedule can change at any point due to registration numbers, and other factors based around the current COVID-19 Pandemic.*

Ages 6-9: (turning 6 in the 2022) Mondays and Wednesdays; 1:15-2:30pm

Ages 10-12: (turning 10 in the 2022 year) Mondays & Wednesdays 2:45-4pm

*****There will be no session on Regatta Day***

COST: \$60 (1 child); \$55 each additional child in same family.

Fee must be paid by June 20th (two weeks prior to program start time). Refunds will not be issued passed the June 20th date. All refunds for Goulds Rec programs will be subject to a \$15 administration fee. Full refunds will only be issued if Goulds Rec cancels a program/event.

PROGRAM ACTIVITIES:

- Program will be an outdoor program.
- The program will consist of fundamental movements, and skill development in reference to the game of Basketball. Mini basketball scrimmages within the group will be played.
- Participants can bring their own outdoor basketball (MUST be junior size- 27.5). However, Goulds Rec will provide basketballs that will be sanitized prior to and after a session. All Goulds Rec equipment used will be sanitized prior to and after use.
- Regular handwashing/bathroom routines will be in place as part of the daily routine. We strongly recommend that you encourage your child to use the washroom before coming to the program.

DROP-OFF/PICK-UP:

This is a drop-off program. Parents/Guardians do not need to stay. The drop off will be at Jess' Court. This is the outdoor basketball court next to the Skatepark. Vehicle entrance is just past the Goulds Fire Station (on same side). Participants cannot be dropped off prior to session start time and must be picked up by the pick-up time, no later. We also ask that you stay with your child off of the court until drop-off time. A counselor will come to the gate to sign your child in. We ask at pick-up to remain off of the court. The counselors will bring your child to the gate for pick-up. If you decide to stay for the duration of the program, please do not come on to the court. Only participants and counselors are permitted on the court during the program. This is a safety protocol.

WHAT TO BRING

- A labelled bottle of HAND SANITIZER (at least 60% alcohol based). Hand sanitizer will also be available on site.
- Suitable clothing for the sport. This includes sneakers that can be tied snugly, and proper "gym" clothes to easily move around in.
- Sunblock (minimum 30+) (please put sunblock on child before coming to the program)
- Labelled hat (hat can be worn for some activities and will be needed on hot, sunny days)
- Water in a labelled water bottle
- Ensure all personal items are marked with your child's name

SAFETY MEASURES

- Participant information will be confirmed prior to the first day of the outdoor basketball program through the on-line registration and follow-up through email will be made if needed. If there are any medical concerns or issues that counselors need to be aware of, please contact us prior to the start of the program.
- For the safety of participants, Goulds Recreation, as advised by the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary, will follow specific procedures should a parent/guardian arrive on site appearing to be under the influence. Counselor will immediately contact their supervisor, as well as the RNC.
- All counselors are trained in the High Five Principles of Healthy Child Development (www.highfive.org), policies and procedures, supervision, safety/cleaning protocols and first aid.
- Our Association will stay up to date on recommendations/measures from Public Health in regards to the operation of our Outdoor Basketball Program.
- Parents are encouraged to stay up to date on recommendations/measures from Public Health.
- it is recommended that those considered vulnerable to the effects of COVID-19 or who have family members considered vulnerable to use discretion in availing of our programs.
- Children should be fully trained; able to independently wash their hands, as parents/guardians will not be permitted to enter and leave the program area to tend to personal care needs. Children who require assistance with personal care may be accompanied to the program by an independently hired respite worker/caregiver.
- Counselor to child ratio will be a max of 1 counselor to 10 participants, however, we strive to do better than that for this program. We have a max of 16 participants per group and we will always have a minimum of 2 counselors at all times with the group.
- Counselors will model and support children in good hygiene efforts such as handwashing, covering a cough and use of tissues or crease of elbow for coughing and sneezing.
- Equipment will be cleaned daily in accordance with public health recommendations.
- Should your child need to go to the washroom while engaged in the program, they will be taken to the public washrooms by the courts (counselor will walk them to and from). The maintenance/cleaning/sanitizing of these washrooms is carried out by the City of St. John's, following their cleaning/sanitizing protocols. We recommend that your child use the washroom at home prior to arrival to the program.

UNEXPECTED CANCELLATIONS: If a session has to be cancelled due to weather, a cancellation notice will be made on our Facebook page at least 1 hour prior to start time. Refunds will not be issued for cancellations and we cannot guarantee that make up sessions will take place.

MANAGING ILLNESS: Children MUST stay home if they feel sick (fever, sore throat, cold symptoms, headache, diarrhea, vomiting, etc).

- Parents/Guardians must ensure that you list your child's underlying health conditions and/or symptoms due to allergies
- If a child displays symptoms of concern during the program the following will be adhered to:
 - Contact guardian immediately
 - Seek support from a second counselor/staff member
 - The child will be isolated
 - Good handwashing for child and counselor/staff
 - Both the counselor/staff and child will wear mask and gloves and guardian will immediately come to the site to pick up their child
 - Materials used by the child will be removed and area will be sanitized according to sanitization guidelines
- Counselor/Staff who present with symptoms will be removed and follow the most up-to-date recommendations/guidelines by Public Health

MEDICATIONS/ALLERGY INFORMATION: Please do not bring nuts or nut products, fish products, kiwi on site. We are also scent aware. If your child requires medication, has allergies or any medical condition please contact us. Our staff/volunteers are not permitted to administer medications.

COUNSELOR/STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION: If you have any questions or concerns on our outdoor basketball program, please email gouldsrecinfo@gmail.com or call 745-7575 (please leave voicemail). If your questions or concerns are of a confidential matter, please email Recreation Coordinator, Nicole at gouldsrecreation@gmail.com or call her direct line at 745-7504 (please leave voicemail).

Goulds Recreation Association is committed to providing quality programs that promote positive social, cognitive, physical and emotional development. Based on this, we want to ensure that there is a mutual understanding of what is acceptable behaviour and unacceptable behaviour. Our staff will take every reasonable effort to ensure meaningful participation. Please read our guidelines for acceptable and unacceptable behaviours.

ACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOURS: Goulds Recreation counselors/staff, patrons, participants and guardians are expected to exhibit the following behaviour while participating in programs and services:

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| - respect | - kindness | - safety |
| - honesty | - responsibility | - healthy choices |

UNACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOR: behaviour with the intent to harm others, property or which would otherwise negatively impact program quality is unacceptable and will not be tolerated. The group will review daily behaviour expectations in the form of “Promises”. Counselors will use discretion to take appropriate action if unacceptable behaviour occurs. Our general process of addressing unacceptable behaviour is as follows:

- Unacceptable behaviour will be discussed with the participant
- Depending on behaviour, parent/guardian of the participant will be notified of the unacceptable behaviour and may be asked to arrange immediate pick-up of the participant.

First occurrence: Lead staff and/or Rec Coordinator will work with the participants and Parent/Guardian (if applicable) to identify solutions to assist the participant in displaying expected behaviours in the future.

Second occurrence: The participant may be re-introduced to the program following a meeting, with parents/guardians (if applicable) to establish an individualized plan to prevent further unacceptable behaviour and encourage positive behaviour

Third occurrence: The participant may be removed from the program on a part-time or full-time basis.

If Goulds Recreation is unable to ensure the safety and well-being of patrons, participants, other, the security of property or program quality, we reserve the right to remove the patron/participant displaying unacceptable behaviour from the program or area.

*****This Outdoor Basketball Package may be updated at any time in relation to COVID-19 public health measures*****