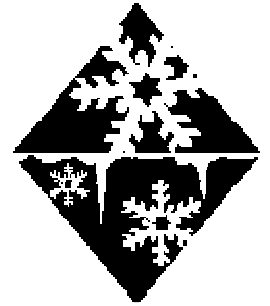


# NEWINGTON HUMAN SERVICES

131 Cedar Street, Newington, CT 06111



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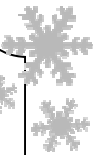
# S.C.O.R.E.

(Student Challenge of Recreation Education)

## AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 5 THRU 8

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS JANUARY 27, 2012**

**January & March  
Dances!**  
7th & 8th grade  
sponsored by  
Newington Parks & Recreation



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**For more information call our SCORE-Line at 665-8594  
or visit our website at [www.newingtonct.gov](http://www.newingtonct.gov)**



"A Helping hand for all ages."

# **INFORMATION PARENTS AND STUDENTS NEED TO KNOW**

1. All SCORE programs are open to students in grades 5 through 8 unless otherwise specified. Program size is limited and registration is on a first come first serve basis.
2. A “confirmation letter,” containing class location, pick-up and drop off sites, liability forms and other information will be mailed February 1, 2012. Only students registered for the program are allowed to attend. ***PLEASE KEEP CONFIRMATION LETTER FOR YOUR ONGOING REFERENCE.***
3. The majority of our programs are offered at off-site locations, but are occasionally held at John Wallace Middle School or Martin Kellogg Middle School.
4. **Transportation is provided to all program locations.** Please be sure to have the student wait outside the Front Doors of their school for the White 15 passenger Town of Newington Van to pick them up. For programs held on their school grounds, students must report to the designated room (as outlined in confirmation letter). On vacation day programs students are dropped off and picked up at the front of Newington Town Hall.
5. All students must be picked up promptly at the end of a class. If a student is biking or walking home, it must be indicated on the registration form or in a note if a change occurs. Staff must be informed of any changes in dismissal arrangements or we cannot release a child.
6. If your child cannot attend a SCORE class for any reason, it is your responsibility to inform Human Services staff prior to the end of the school day. ANY UNEXCUSED absences (those without a prior phone call made by parent) will be reported to the parent/guardian.
7. Students are expected to behave in a safe and responsible manner. Any disrespectful or disruptive behavior may result on dismissal from the program with no refund.

**NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED AFTER COURSE CONFIRMATION LETTERS HAVE BEEN SENT.**

**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:** Reduced fees MAY be available to income eligible Newington families. Indicate on registration forms your request for assistance, and someone from this department will contact you.

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## ***S.C.O.R.E. PROGRAM PHILOSOPHY***

*The S.C.O.R.E. Program is designed to provide positive after-school activities that connect middle school youth to their school, family, and community support systems. Our goal is to enhance the sixth grade R.O.P.E. curriculum by offering youth opportunities to increase their knowledge, skill, and experience in problem-solving, decision-making, cooperation, communication, leadership, AND FUN. We are always looking for instructors to teach new courses and other positive leisure activities.*

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**AMERICANS WITH DISABILITY ACT:** ADA addresses issues of accessibility of facilities and programs. Reasonable program modifications will be made on a case by case basis to allow people with disabilities to both participate in, and benefit from programs.

**Please feel free to contact Human Services for SCORE information at 665-8594.**

# SCORE Course Descriptions

## February School Break Fun



### Rock 'N' Robin'

Join us for a flashback to the early days of roller skating, followed by burgers and milkshakes at the local diner. To finish our day off we'll play 2 games of Laser Tag. Don't miss out on the fun!



Date: **Friday, February 17**  
Time: **10:00AM - 4:00PM**  
Location: Ron a Roll, Red Robin & Laser Quest  
Instructors: Rik Huggard, Michelle Pestillo & George Sherman  
Fee: **\*\*\*\$45**



### Bowling, Lunch & A Movie



This has become a vacation tradition in Newington! Students will go bowling at Bowl-O-Rama on the Berlin Turnpike. After they bowl that perfect 300, they will be treated to a feast at the Imperial Buffet! Then catch a movie after!



Date: **Tuesday, February 21**  
Time: **10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**  
Location: Bowl-O-Rama, Imperial Buffet & Loew's Cinema Plainville, CT  
Instructors: Rik Huggard, Michelle Pestillo & George Sherman  
Fee: **\*\*\*\$35**



**\*\*\*PAY ONLY \$65 IF YOU REGISTER FOR BOTH DAYS! 2/17 & 2/21**

### 2012 Winter/Spring Dances



Newington Parks & Recreation & Newington Human Services, presents two dances this winter for Newington students in grades 7 & 8. Includes DJ, dancing and refreshments. Students must show their school ID at the door. No notes will be accepted for admission. No backpacks and no re-entry once admitted. Those dressed in offensive or provocative clothing will not be admitted.

Dates: **Fri. Jan. 20 & Fri. March 23**  
Times: **7:00 - 10:00 PM**  
Location: Mortensen Community Center Gym  
Fee: **\$5.00 at the door and a non-perishable food item to benefit the Town's food pantry.**



**Tickets only sold at the door!**

### Claypen & Cocoa



Spend a winter afternoon sipping hot cocoa and creating a ceramic work of art at the Claypen Studio in West Hartford. You can choose from a variety of bowls or plates and tiles - then paint with your own special artistic flair and leave them to be glazed by the artisans at the studio. They can be picked up the following week at Human Services. We will stop and pick up hot cocoa after our work is done at the Claypen Studio!

Date: **Tuesdays, Feb. 28 & Mar. 6**  
Time: **2:40-5:30 PM**  
Location: Claypen Studio West Hartford, CT

Instructor: Michelle Pestillo  
Fee: **\$20 each session  
\$35 for both**



### Craft Corner



Join Michelle Pestillo in making fun gifts for others or for yourself! We will be making the craft here at the Town Hall and then having a yummy treat and Hot Chocolate.

Dates: **Monday, Feb. 13: Sand Art  
Monday, Feb. 27: Jewelry Boxes**  
Time: **2:40pm-5:30pm**  
Location: Newington Town Hall  
Instructors: Michelle Pestillo  
Fee: **\$20 each session  
\$35 for both**



### Climb On!

This three week program is meant for climbers of all levels and abilities. Whether you have climbed many times before, gone once, or have only thought about doing it, this is your chance to climb on! All safety equipment and instruction will be provided, all you need to bring is your sense of adventure. This program takes place at an indoor climbing gym.

Dates: **Mondays, March 5, 12 & 19**  
Time: **2:40-5:30 PM**  
Location: Stone Age Rock Gym, Manchester, CT  
Instructors: Rik Huggard & George Sherman  
Fee: **\$70**



# SCORE Course Descriptions



## From Sap to Syrup

Join us, as we travel to Auer Farm for a traditional New England sweet creation - home made maple syrup.

You will experience first hand the process of syrup making from sappy start to sweet, sticky finish.

You'll get your very own sample of fresh, delicious syrup.

Date: **Thursday February 23**  
Time: **2:40p.m.—6:00p.m.**  
Location: 4H Education Center at Auer Farm, Bloomfield, CT  
Instructors: Rik Huggard & staff  
Fee: **\$20**



## Horsin' Around

We will be offering one, five-week session this Spring. Students will get up close and personal with the world of horses, learning how to handle, groom, lead, saddle and bridle these beautiful animals. In addition you will learn how to guide, walk, trot, and canter as you ride every day. This is a great opportunity for horse lovers of all levels and experiences.



**NOTE: Limited to 10 riders, sign-up early to get your spot!**

Dates: **Wednesdays, March 7, 14, 28 and April 4 & 11**  
Time: **2:40 - 6:00 PM**  
Location: Terry Allen Farms, Terryville, CT  
Instructor: Michelle Pestillo & staff  
Fee: **\$165.00**



## Nature Explorers

*(1/2 days of school)*



Explore the natural world around us! Learn about tracking and signs of nature as it awakens from a long winter rest. We'll visit the Northwest Park Nature Center in Windsor and afterward we'll track deer out on their trails. We'll spend another session at Fisher Meadows in Avon tracking animals and looking for the Red-Tailed hawks that have a large nesting area around the lake. An important part of these days will involve environmental stewardship by packing out any trash that we find. Snacks and hot chocolate will be provided each day!

Dates: **Wed. & Thurs, March 21 & 22**  
Time: **12:40 - 5:00 PM (1/2 day of school)**  
Location: Windsor & Avon  
Instructor: Rik Huggard  
Fee: **\$20 ea. or \$35 for both**



## Hide & Seek with the RoyalGeos



Join in on the international game of Geo-caching. We will use electronic GPS devices to search and locate hidden treasures at a variety of locations. Since the Fall of 2008 the **RoyalGeos** have been seeking, finding & hiding caches all around central & northern Connecticut. This Spring we plan to locate more challenging geo-caches. We supply the GPS and you bring the thrill of the search!

**Check out [www.geocaching.com](http://www.geocaching.com)**

Dates: **Thursdays, March 15 & March 29**  
Time: **2:40pm-6:00pm**  
Locations: Broad Hill & Holcomb Farm in West Granby, CT  
Instructors: Rik Huggard & Staff  
Fee: **\$20 ea. day or \$35 for both**



# SCORE Course Descriptions



## Adventure Club

Here are four days of adventure activities that include Challenge Course, canoeing, ZIP Line, hiking and rock climbing. We take these activities to a new and more exciting level of fun and adventure. This is open to all students in grades 5 through 8.

Dates: **Tuesdays, April 3, 10, 17 & 24**

Times: **April 3, 10 & 24 from 2:40 - 6:00 PM**

**April 17 from 9:00AM - 4:00PM (April vacation)**

Locations: April 3: Newington Challenge Course (includes the zip line!)

April 10: Hiking & Geocaching in Penwood State Forest, Bloomfield, CT

April 17: Wolf Rock in Mansfield, CT (April vacation)

April 24: Canoeing at Fisher Meadows in Avon

Instructors: Rik Huggard, Michelle Pestillo & George Sherman

Fee: **\$20 per day or \$70 for all 4 days**



## Climb & Zip Days!

This is a fun way to spend an afternoon and challenge yourself. Climb our 40 foot tower and then zip away! Learn how to tie climbing knots and develop your climbing skills! A great time will be had by all!

Dates: **Thursdays April 12 & 26**  
 Time: **2:40-6:00 PM**  
 Location: Newington Challenge Course  
 Instructor: Rik Huggard & staff  
 Fee: **\$20 each day or \$35 for both!**



## April Vacation Fun & Adventure!

### Bowling, Lunch & Movie



Students will go bowling at Bowl-O-Rama on the Berlin Turnpike. After they bowl that perfect 300, they will be treated to a feast at the Imperial Buffet! Then catch a movie after!

Date: **Monday, April 16th**  
 Time: **10:00AM - 4:00 PM**  
 Location: Bowl-O-Rama & Theater to be determined  
 Instructors: Michelle Pestillo & staff  
 Fee: **\$35**

### Mini-Golf & Go-Karts



Join us for go-karts, mini-golf, batting cages, Phazerball, the game room and more! We'll stop for ice cream on the way home. This day is full of nothing but tons of fun!

Date: **Wednesday, April 18th**  
 Time: **10:00AM - 4:00 PM**  
 Location: R&B Sports, Winsted, CT  
 Instructors: Michelle Pestillo & Staff  
 Fee: **\$35**

### Canoeing on Bigelow Hollow



A Spring canoe trip on Mashapaug Lake at Bigelow Hollow State Park. We will paddle our canoes and have a hamburger, hot dog and veggie burger cookout on this beautiful lake. It will be a little too chilly for swimming but fishing season will be open and if you bring your fishing rod you might be surprised! We provide basic skills instruction before we get on the water. **This day is for any level of experience from beginners on up!**

Dates: **Thursday April 19th**  
 Time: **9:00AM - 4:00PM**  
 Location: Bigelow Hollow, Union, CT  
 Instructor: Rik Huggard & Staff  
 Fee: **\$20**

**Pay only \$60 if you register for both days  
 Mon. 4/16 & Wed. 4/18!**

# SPRING SCORE 2012 REGISTRATION FORM

**\*\*Registration Deadline Is: January 27, 2012\*\***

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM AND RETURN IT ALONG WITH FULL PAYMENT TO:

NEWINGTON HUMAN SERVICES  
131 CEDAR ST.  
NEWINGTON, CT. 06111

SCORE-Information 665-8594  
E-mail: humanservices@newingtonct.gov

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

STUDENT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE \_\_\_\_\_ SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_

<u>PROGRAM SELECTION</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>FEE</u>	<u>PROGRAM SEL.</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>FEE</u>
1. _____	_____	_____	7. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	8. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	9. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	10. _____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____	11. _____	_____	_____
6. _____	_____	_____	12. _____	_____	_____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_ CHECK NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*ONLY ONE CHECK REQUIRED\*\***

**\* Please circle the highest movie rating that you approve for your child to attend: PG PG13**  
(Only if registered for Bowling, Lunch & Movie days or as an alternative for April vacation climbing or canoeing days)

**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:** Reduced fees MAY be available to income eligible Newington families. Indicate on registration forms your request for assistance, and someone from this department will contact you.

**THERE ARE NO REFUNDS ONCE CONFIRMATION LETTERS ARE SENT OUT**

**\*\*Note: There is a \$25 returned check fee\*\***

**Please complete form on following page**

# SCORE PERMISSION FORM (Must be completed)

STUDENT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ AGE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
 CELL/PAGER \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_  
 WORK PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_  
 (to receive updated/ongoing & future program information)  
 EMERGENCY CONTACT: NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_  
 (other than parent/guardian)

**\*\*Assumption of Liability: Participation in these activities may involve risk or injury. As a parent, guardian, or participant, I am aware of these hazards and my ability to participate. I hereby agree to release, discharge and hold harmless the Town of Newington, its employees, contracted instructors, and volunteers from the liabilities which may occur while participating in the activity. I understand that participation in any Human Services event or activity involves risk. I further understand that the Town of Newington does not provide accident/medical insurance for the program participants. In addition, I give permission for the participant to be treated by qualified medical personnel in the event that the above named parent/guardian/emergency contact cannot be reached at the phone numbers provided.**

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

I give my child permission to walk or bike home at the end of a SCORE program. *Please Circle Yes No*

I give permission for my child to be videotaped and/or photographed for the purposes of future brochures, our website or community education. *Yes No*

Please use the space below to apprise us of any special health concerns, accessibility issues, or behavioral needs, or to request accommodation (include allergies, medications, etc):

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

You will be contacted for additional information, if needed.

\_\_\_\_\_ MEDICAL INSURANCE CARRIER \_\_\_\_\_ POLICY NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ HOSPITAL PREFERENCE \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*This contract must be signed by BOTH participant and parent, and returned along with your registration form in order to participate in the program.\*\***

## **\*\*PARTICIPANT CONTRACT\*\***

This contract is an agreement between parents/guardians, students and staff to help ensure that this program operates in a fun, safe and cooperative manner. It is our hope that by reviewing our expectations for conduct, that ALL students and their parents will assist us with this effort.

- I agree to stay seated & keep my limbs in the van at all times.
- I agree to speak respectfully to EVERYONE, using appropriate language and voice level.
- I agree not to swear, name call or throw things.
- I agree to be with a "buddy" and/or with an adult chaperone at all times.
- I agree to report on time to the designated meeting location for each program.
- I agree to keep my hands to myself, respect others and their property.
- I agree to follow directions and listen attentively when adults are speaking to me.
- I agree to keep the vans clean.
- I agree not to use cell phones during programs.

Unacceptable behavior will result in a verbal warning, followed by a written warning, and if considered a serious safety violation or an unresolved ongoing issue, expulsion from the program without a refund.

*Thank you for your assistance in helping to make this program a success.*

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_