

## Middle School Clubs—NEW!

Calling all middle schoolers! Get ready for an afterschool experience like no other! Our brand-new program brings you an exciting rotation of clubs throughout the school year—most running for six action-packed weeks. Whether you're a budding fashion designer, a future mechanic, or a creative writer in the making, there's something here to ignite your passion!

Open to ALL 6th – 8th graders in the community, these hands-on clubs will help you explore new interests, build awesome skills, and have a blast doing it. From designing your own runway looks in Project Runway to getting your hands dirty in Bike Mechanics to unleashing your inner author in Creative Writing—the possibilities are endless!

### Program Details:

**Where:** Jefferson School, 1700 South Ave.

**When:** Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri.: 3–5:30 p.m. and Thurs.: 2:15–5:30 p.m.

**Transportation:** FREE rides provided for most sessions from CS Porter, Meadow Hill, and Washington Middle Schools!\* Parents may also drop students off directly at Jefferson.

**Pickup:** All students must be picked up at Jefferson between 5:00–5:30 daily, or you may grant permission for your child to walk, bike, or bus home during registration.

**Questions?** We're here to help! Contact us at [youthprograms@ci.missoula.mt.us](mailto:youthprograms@ci.missoula.mt.us)

\*Exceptions are noted in club schedules on pages 30 & 31.

## Club Descriptions

### Advanced Crafting Club

Take your creativity to the next level! Work on advanced, multi-week projects using a variety of materials and techniques. Each 6-week session focuses on a new art form, emphasizing creativity, patience, and skill-building. Bring your artistic visions to life in a fun and collaborative environment. Materials provided. Meets Fridays. Session 1 features Embroidery and Knitting Crafts, Session 2 is Jewelry Making, and Session 3 is Stained Glass Art Forms.

### American Red Cross Babysitter Training

In this fun, hands-on afterschool class, you'll earn your official Babysitter's Training certificate while learning how to care for young children safely and responsibly. Through games, activities, and real-life practice, you'll build useful skills in child safety, basic first aid, feeding, diapering, and managing behavior. Taught by certified instructors, this class is great for anyone who wants to start babysitting, work with kids, or become a future camp counselor or caregiver. Wednesdays, Session 2.

### Bike Mechanics Club

Get your hands dirty and learn how to keep your bike in top shape! Explore the basics of bicycle maintenance and repair, including fixing flats, adjusting brakes, and tuning gears. Through hands-on projects, you'll

build practical skills, confidence, and a deeper understanding of how bikes work—perfect for any rider, novice or advanced! Thursdays, Sessions 1 & 2. (Please note: School pickup from C.S. Porter, Meadow Hill, and Washington is NOT available for Session 1.)

### Creative Writing Club

Unleash your imagination! In this fun, educational program, you'll explore the world of creative writing through storytelling, poetry, journaling, and more. Each week includes thoughtful prompts, writing games, and time to share work with peers. Whether you're a seasoned writer/poet or just getting started, this club is the perfect place to grow your voice and creativity! Mondays, Sessions 1, 2, 3.

### Culinary Club

Step into the kitchen and get cooking! In this beginner-friendly club, you'll learn essential kitchen skills like basic cooking techniques, measuring, knife safety, and following recipes. Each session gives you a fun, hands-on chance to make simple, tasty dishes while building confidence and teamwork. Tuesdays, Session 1.

### Dungeons and Dragons Club

Immerse yourself in a world of imagination, teamwork, and adventure! Play Dungeons & Dragons (D&D) under the guidance of an expert Dungeon Master leading you

## Club Descriptions, continued

through epic quests, creative problem-solving, and collaborative storytelling. Whether you're a seasoned player or brand new to the game, this club is a great way to build friendships, develop critical thinking skills, and have fun exploring fantasy worlds—one roll of the dice at a time. Thursdays, Session 1,2. (Please note: School pickup from C.S. Porter, Meadow Hill, and Washington is NOT available for Session 1.)

### Filmmaking Club

Lights, camera, action! Dive into the world of filmmaking by learning the basics of camera work, acting, scriptwriting, and cinematic storytelling. From brainstorming ideas to shooting short scenes, this club offers a fun, hands-on introduction to the art of movie-making and creative collaboration. Wednesdays, Sessions 1, 2, 3.

### Glow-Up Club

Explore the fun and creativity of beauty, style, and self-care! Learn the basics of makeup, skincare, hairstyling, and more. Through hands-on activities and tutorials, you will build confidence, practice new techniques, and express your personal style in a fun and supportive space. All students receive a comprehensive makeup kit to keep! Wednesdays, Sessions 1 & 3

### Go Run Missoula's Middle School Winter Program

Go Run Missoula's Middle School Winter Program invites female and non-binary students to build confidence, friendships, and a positive connection with movement. Along with a running-based curriculum, you'll explore art, leadership, and teamwork while celebrating effort, growth, and body appreciation. Through fun activities and supportive coaching, this program helps you discover that running and staying active can be empowering—and a lot of fun! Registration includes participation in the GRM 10 Strength & Running Party on March 8 and Run for the Luck of It 5K on March 14. Tuesdays, Session 2.

### Improv & Comedy Club

Take the stage and let your creativity shine! Explore the basics of acting, improv, and stand-up comedy through fun games and scene work. Learn how to "Yes, And!" and write jokes with your fellow performers. This club is a great way to build confidence, express yourself, and be part of a creative team. Tuesdays, Sessions 1 & 3.

### Learn to Dungeon Master Club

Step into a world of adventure and imagination! Learn to run your own games as Dungeon Master—creating stories, building worlds, and guiding players through epic quests. With a focus on storytelling, teamwork, and creativity, this club is perfect for experienced players ready to take the lead in the world's greatest role-playing game. Fridays, Sessions 1, 2, 3.

### Podcasting Club

Have something to say? In this creative and collaborative club, you'll learn to write, record, and produce your own podcast! From developing show ideas to using audio equipment and editing tools, explore the world of storytelling, interviews, and broadcasting—bringing your voice to life for the airwaves! Thursdays, Session 3.

### Project Runway Club

Express your style and creativity! Learn the basics of sewing, styling, and fashion design. From sketching ideas to creating simple pieces, this hands-on club encourages self-expression and builds practical skills in a fun, supportive environment—no experience needed! Tuesdays, Sessions 2 & 3.

### Survival Skills Club

Get ready to get wild! In this hands-on adventure, you'll learn real outdoor survival skills like building a fire, making a shelter, and finding your way in nature. You'll also explore how to take care of the land by learning about local plants and animals and practicing sustainable outdoor habits. Build confidence, teamwork, and a deeper connection to the wild world around you! Mondays, Sessions 1, 2, 3.

### Wheels on the Bus Pottery Club

Get your hands dirty and your creativity spinning in this unique afterschool club! In partnership with Wheels on the Bus Clay Studio, explore the art of pottery through wheel throwing, hand-building, and glazing. Each week, instructors roll in with professional equipment and experienced ceramic artists, ready to guide you through fun, hands-on projects. From simple pinch pots to wheel-thrown bowls, you'll gain new skills and bring your ideas to life in clay. All materials provided. Thursdays, Session 3.

## Club Schedules

### Session 1: January 12 – February 20

| PROGRAM                                            | DAY       | TIME           | DATES                           | FEE (REG/<br>CITYCARD) | ACTIVITY<br>#           |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------|----------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Creative Writing*                                  | Monday    | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Jan. 12, 26; Feb.2              | \$75/70                | <a href="#">1245211</a> |
| Survival Skills*                                   | Monday    | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Jan. 12, 26; Feb.2              | \$75/70                | <a href="#">1245206</a> |
| Improv & Comedy                                    | Tuesday   | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Jan. 13, 20, 27; Feb. 3, 10, 17 | \$150/145              | <a href="#">1245214</a> |
| Culinary                                           | Tuesday   | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Jan. 13, 20, 27; Feb. 3, 10, 17 | \$170/165              | <a href="#">1246001</a> |
| Filmmaking                                         | Wednesday | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Jan. 14, 21, 28; Feb. 4, 11, 18 | \$170/165              | <a href="#">1245212</a> |
| Glow-Up Club                                       | Wednesday | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Jan. 14, 21, 28; Feb. 4, 11, 18 | \$170/165              | <a href="#">1245213</a> |
| Dungeons & Dragons**                               | Thursday  | 2:15 – 5:30 pm | Jan. 15, 22, 29; Feb. 5, 12, 19 | \$140/135              | <a href="#">1245406</a> |
| Bike Mechanic**                                    | Thursday  | 2:15 – 5:30 pm | Jan. 15, 22, 29; Feb. 5, 12, 19 | \$160/155              | <a href="#">1245210</a> |
| Learn to Dungeon Master                            | Friday    | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Jan. 16, 23, 30; Feb. 6, 13, 20 | \$150/145              | <a href="#">1245404</a> |
| Advanced Crafting<br>Embroidery/Knitting<br>Crafts | Friday    | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Jan. 16, 23, 30; Feb. 6, 13, 20 | \$170/165              | <a href="#">1245208</a> |

\*Note: 3-week session

\*\*No school pickup is available for these clubs

### Session 2: February 23 – April 3

| PROGRAM                             | DAY       | TIME           | DATES                               | FEE (REG./<br>CITYCARD) | ACTIVITY<br>#           |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|----------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Creative Writing                    | Monday    | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Feb. 23; Mar. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30      | \$150/145               | <a href="#">1245211</a> |
| Survival Skills                     | Monday    | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Feb. 23; Mar. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30      | \$150/145               | <a href="#">1245206</a> |
| Go Run Missoula                     | Tuesday   | 3 – 5:00 pm    | Feb. 24; Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31     | \$150/145               | <a href="#">1246404</a> |
| Project Runway                      | Tuesday   | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Feb. 24; Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31     | \$170/165               | <a href="#">1245216</a> |
| Filmmaking                          | Wednesday | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Feb. 25; Mar. 4, 11, 18, 25; Apr. 1 | \$170/165               | <a href="#">1245212</a> |
| Babysitter's Training               | Wednesday | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Feb. 25; Mar. 4, 11, 18, 25; Apr. 1 | \$170/165               | <a href="#">1245209</a> |
| Dungeons & Dragons                  | Thursday  | 2:15 – 5:30 pm | Feb. 26; Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26; Apr. 2 | \$150/145               | <a href="#">1245406</a> |
| Bike Mechanic                       | Thursday  | 2:15 – 5:30 pm | Feb. 26; Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26; Apr. 2 | \$170/165               | <a href="#">1245210</a> |
| Learn to Dungeon Master             | Friday    | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Feb. 27; Mar. 6, 13, 20, 27; Apr. 3 | \$150/145               | <a href="#">1245404</a> |
| Advanced Crafting<br>Jewelry Making | Friday    | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Feb. 27; Mar. 6, 13, 20, 27; Apr. 3 | \$170/165               | <a href="#">1245208</a> |

## Club Schedules, continued

## Session 3: April 13 – May 22

| PROGRAM                            | DAY       | TIME           | DATES                          | FEE (REG./CITYCARD) | ACTIVITY #              |
|------------------------------------|-----------|----------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Creative Writing                   | Monday    | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Apr. 13, 20, 27; May 4, 11, 18 | \$150/145           | <a href="#">1245211</a> |
| Survival Skills                    | Monday    | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Apr. 13, 20, 27; May 4, 11, 18 | \$150/145           | <a href="#">1245206</a> |
| Improv & Comedy                    | Tuesday   | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Apr. 14, 21, 28; May 5, 12, 19 | \$150/145           | <a href="#">1245214</a> |
| Project Runway                     | Tuesday   | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Apr. 14, 21, 28; May 5, 12, 19 | \$170/165           | <a href="#">1245216</a> |
| Filmmaking                         | Wednesday | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Apr. 15, 22, 29; May 6, 13, 20 | \$170/165           | <a href="#">1245212</a> |
| Glow-Up Club                       | Wednesday | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Apr. 15, 22, 29; May 6, 13, 20 | \$170/165           | <a href="#">1245213</a> |
| Wheels on the Bus Pottery          | Thursday  | 2:15 – 5:30 pm | Apr. 16, 23, 30; May 7, 14, 21 | \$100/90            | <a href="#">1245804</a> |
| Podcasting                         | Thursday  | 2:15 – 5:30 pm | Apr. 16, 23, 30; May 7, 14, 21 | \$170/165           | <a href="#">1245215</a> |
| Learn to Dungeon Master            | Friday    | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Apr. 17, 24; May 1, 8, 15, 22  | \$150/145           | <a href="#">1245404</a> |
| Advanced Crafting<br>Stained Glass | Friday    | 3 – 5:30 pm    | Apr. 17, 24; May 1, 8, 15, 22  | \$170/165           | <a href="#">1245208</a> |



# Dungeons & Dragons Club at Lowell

Ages 8 – 13

Through the collaborative storytelling and strategic gameplay of Dungeons & Dragons, participants develop critical thinking, creativity, and teamwork.

Guided by experienced Dungeon Masters, members will create unique characters, navigate complex quests, and engage in thrilling battles. This 12-week program fosters a supportive and inclusive environment where students can express themselves, build friendships, and improve their problem-solving and communication skills. Whether seasoned players or newcomers, the Dungeons & Dragons Club offers an exciting and enriching experience that combines fun learning, and the power of imagination.

D&D is limited to participants ages 8 and above due to the level of reading, comprehension, and critical thinking skills required during gameplay.

Snack provided during gameplay.

Scholarship funds are available for qualifying families.

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| Fee            | \$75/70 w/CityCard      |                         |
| Day            | Wednesdays              |                         |
| Location       | Lowell School Cafeteria |                         |
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| DATES          | TIME                    | ACTIVITY #              |
| Jan. 14–Apr. 1 | 5:30–7:30 pm            | <a href="#">1235400</a> |



# TEEN WORKREATION

**Teens: Gain valuable life experience and have a blast outdoors with Parks and Recreation!**

Teens ages 11 to 13 can experience summer as counselors in training with Parks and Recreation to help with kids in their neighborhood parks this summer! If you are interested in getting direct leadership, communication, and job skills in the Parks and Recreation field, we may have a fun position for you!

Available programs:

**Jr. Camp Leader • Jr. Lifeguard • Jr. Conservation Steward**

We know teens are busy in the summer. You may choose in advance the number of hours you’d like to participate per week, and we’ll do our best to schedule your hours on the days and times that work for you.

**Shifts are scheduled Monday–Friday, June 22–August 21.**

Teen workers serve on their own accord, gaining valuable job experience and giving back to their community.

Download the Teen Workreation application at [missoulaparks.org](https://missoulaparks.org), or pick up at Currents Aquatics Center in McCormick Park, **after April 1, 2026.**

**\*Please note this is a free recreation leadership program for youth and is not a paid position.\***

**Application Deadline: Mon., May 11 by 7 p.m.**

**Group Interviews:** May 18–21, 4:30–5:30 p.m.

**Mandatory Training:** June 18 & 19, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

**Mandatory Parent/Teen Meeting**

Wednesday, June 17, 5:30–6:30 p.m.,  
Base Camp, 301 E. Main St. (in the old library)

## Jr. Playmakers Basketball

**Fun, fair play, and good sportsmanship are the focus of this exciting program!**

Kids learn basic skills from volunteer coaches and apply them on court. Teams have 10 players max for 5-a-side games. Includes one week pre-season practice, six-week league, and a tournament finale.

**Grades 1-2:** Skill building and teamwork. Games are not scored, no foul shots or free throws.

**Grades 3-5:** Refine skills and strategy. Scored games include foul shots and free throws.

### Coaches Needed!

If you have basketball experience and want to volunteer as a parent/coach, please email [youthprograms@ci.missoula.mt.us](mailto:youthprograms@ci.missoula.mt.us). Parents will coach their child’s team.

Parks requests gym space from MCPS, but we are not guaranteed space at your child’s school. Coaches select practice locations and times based on their schedules. Thanks for your patience with the reservation system.

**REGISTRATION OPENS:** Sunday, October 5, 9 am

**DEADLINE:** Monday, December 8

**ACTIVITY #1332504**

**FEE:** \$175/155 w/CityCard

**Don't wait, register early! Leagues are first-come, first-served due to limited gym space.**



## Kiwanis Basketball

**FREE! Boys and Girls Grades 6–8**

[REGISTER ONLINE](#)

Sign up for this great FREE basketball program for middle-schoolers!

The season includes:

- 1 week of pre-season practice
- 4-week league play
- Single-elimination end-of-season tournament

**REGISTRATION OPENS:** Monday, January 5, 9 am

**DEADLINE:** Sunday, March 1 at 5 pm

No registration accepted after March 1 so that we can form teams and create schedules. Sorry, no exceptions. Please register early; leagues are first-come, first-served due to limited gym space.

Coaches Needed!

If you have basketball experience and want to volunteer as a parent/coach, please email [youthprograms@ci.missoula.mt.us](mailto:youthprograms@ci.missoula.mt.us).

No games or practices during Spring Break, Apr. 6–10.

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| <b>Practices</b>  | Practices begin the week of March 15.<br>Times vary, Monday-Thursday 6:30-9:30 p.m.<br><br>Parks provides gym space from MCPS for each team to practice 45 minutes once a week. Practice location and times are assigned best at the coaches meeting pre-season. Due to the high demand for gym space in our community, we cannot guarantee gym space at your child’s school or on a requested day. |
| <b>Games</b>      | Friday nights at 6:45, 7:30, or 8:15 pm at MCPS Schools. Games for 4-week league begin Mar. 20. Last game of regular season is Apr. 17. End of season single-elimination tournament on Apr. 24.                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Meets at</b>   | Various MCPS gyms, assigned after teams are formed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Activity #</b> | <a href="#">1333801-01</a> 6th Grade Boys<br><a href="#">1333801-02</a> 7th & 8th Grade Boys<br><a href="#">1333801-03</a> 6th, 7th & 8th Grade Girls                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Deadlines</b>  | Sunday, Mar. 1, 5 p.m. Program is free!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|                   | Mandatory Coaches Meeting: 6–8 pm, Thursday, March 5, 2026, at Base Camp, 301 E. Main St. (former library)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |