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## Lunch Account Balance Notifications:

**LUNCH  
ACCOUNT**



Would you like to receive e-mail notifications in regards to your child's lunch account balance?

Go to the Mansfield Public Schools Food Services Webpage to sign up for Weekly Balance Reminders or Low Balance Warnings.

[www.mansfieldct.gov/lunchmenus](http://www.mansfieldct.gov/lunchmenus)

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## DRESSING FOR THE WEATHER

Now that the weather is changing and temperatures are dropping, dressing your child appropriately for the weather is important. Students will be sent outdoors for recess, weather permitting. It is important for the students to go out in the fresh air and exercise.

Please be sure your child has a winter coat, gloves or mittens and hat. For your child's comfort please include boots, snow pants and an extra pair of dry socks when there is snow on the ground.



# TONY MEMMEL



**OCTOBER 13, 2016**

Southeast Elementary School  
All-Purpose Room

134 Warrenville Road  
Mansfield Center

**6:30 – 7:30 PM**

**FREE**

TONY MEMMEL is a songwriter with unique charisma and creativity. Though he was born missing his left forearm and hand, he taught himself to play guitar by building a homemade cast out of Gorilla Tape that he secures to his arm to hold a guitar pick. He's a highly sought after clinician, speaker, and composer.

[WWW.TONYMEMMEL.COM](http://WWW.TONYMEMMEL.COM)



# SOUTHEAST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

134 Warrenville Road • Mansfield Center, CT 06250 • (860) 423-1611 • Fax (860) 423-0610  
Web <http://www.mansfieldct.gov/southeast>

LAUREN RODRIGUEZ, *PRINCIPAL*

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

It is our great pleasure to send home this letter to announce the creation of a peer mediation program here at Southeast Elementary School. Mediation is a form of conflict resolution in which trained students, under adult supervision, help their peers talk through and resolve interpersonal conflicts. Student mediators do not take sides or make decisions for their peers; instead, mediators help peers create their own resolutions to conflicts. Students that are trained as peer mediators will learn important life-skills such as active listening, negotiation, and problem solving. Peer mediation sessions will be offered to students primarily in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade as a method to help them navigate social conflicts with peers. Third and fourth grade students may elect to attend peer mediation themselves, or be recommended by a staff member who feels the conflict could best be resolved by this method. Second grade students may attend a peer mediation session if they are recommended by a staff member.

The Peer Mediation Program, organized by Mrs. Mahoney, Mrs. Core, and Ms. Kamienski, is looking to train willing fourth graders to become our first group of peer mediators during the 2016-2017 school year. Earlier in the school year, fourth grade students were asked to complete a survey, following a brief presentation about peer mediation, which indicated their level of interest in being trained as a mediator. The fourth graders who indicated that they would like to be involved will be sent home with an application packet at some point during the year which requires a signature from parents/guardians; this gives them permission to be trained as a peer mediator and assist in mediating peer conflicts throughout the year.

We look forward to launching this program as a means to teach Southeast students strong conflict resolution skills. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to reach out to any of the program coordinators.

Warm regards,

Alissa Mahoney  
School Psychologist

Kim Core  
4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher

Sue Kamienski  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher



# Fall Fun for Kids at Mansfield Public Library

## Family Nature Walk

Tuesday, October 11

1:30-2:30 PM

Join us for family-friendly hike in the woods led by experienced woodsman Gary Drew, and learn about all kinds of natural features right here your neighborhood. The hike starts at 1:30; **meet us in the parking lot behind the ball field next to Southeast School** and wear comfortable clothing and shoes for walking. Bring water if you think you'll need it. Children must be accompanied by an adult. This hike is part of the Last Green Valley's **WALKTOBER** program.



## Fall Crafts

Tuesday, October 18

4:00-5:30 PM

Drop in after school for a variety of fall-themed crafts. Do some leaf rubbing, make a tabletop fall tree, plus decorate gourds from our Children's Garden!

**Any questions- please give us a call at the Library!**

Mansfield Public Library

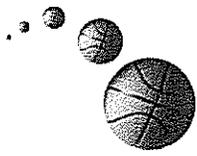
54 Warrenton Rd

Mansfield, CT 06250

860 423-2501

[www.mansfieldpubliclibraryct.org](http://www.mansfieldpubliclibraryct.org)





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## 2016 YOUTH BASKETBALL GENERAL INFORMATION

Mansfield Parks and Recreation Basketball welcomes players at all levels of experience. The program features skill development, sportsmanship, team participation and healthy competition for grades K-8. Practices begin in November with game play held for most divisions December – February. Practice and games schedules determined after teams are formed in November. Volunteer head and assistant coaches are needed for most divisions. All vacant positions are by application. Those interested in coaching or serving as a parent helper (grades K-2) should request an application packet. Coaches must be at least 18 years of age.

**Registration Information:** Complete and return participant registration form and note registration deadlines. Registration after deadline dates will only be accepted if space is still available and with a \$20.00 late fee per participant. See division mandatory tryout and evaluation dates for grades 3-8.

**Registration Deadlines:** Travel Division = October 15, 2016 All other divisions = October 30, 2016

**(Grades K-1) Little Huskies Division, \$55.00, \$65.00 non-residents. 8 sessions, 12/10-2/11 (no 12/24, 12/31).**  
#341001-A (9:00am-9:55am) #342001-B 10:00am-10:55am An instructional, co-ed program that introduces the fundamentals of basketball using a variety of fun drills and activities designed to progressively improve skills and general knowledge of the sport. Location: Southeast and Vinton Elementary Schools. Register for 1 of 2 section offerings. Bring own 25.5-27.5 basketball.

**(Grade 2) Junior Huskies Division, \$55.00, \$65.00 non-residents. 8 sessions, 12/10-2/11 (no 12/24, 12/31).**  
(#341002-A 11:15-12:30) #341002-B (12:45-2:00) Fundamental basketball skill development and modified (3V3, 4V4) co-ed teams modified game play in a supportive environment. Staff will provide a combination of instructional drills and games. Modified games the last portion of season. Saturday morning/early afternoons at local schools. Register for 1 of 2 sections.

**(Grades 3 & 4) Instructional Division, Begins with November evaluation and concludes in late February.**  
**\$65.00, \$75.00 non-residents, #341005-A (girls) #341006-A (boys).** Separate teams for boys and girls will be formed after the mandatory division player evaluation day with the objective to keep teams fair and balanced. All participants will be placed on a team and with equal playing time. Requests for specific coaches, teammates or carpools are not accepted. Practices and games are used for opportunities of fundamental skill development in an encouraging and supportive environment. Coaches and officials will instruct play as needed to help players learn rules, develop good sportsmanship, and allow for healthy competition. Practices are weeknights and games are held (primarily) on Saturdays and include traveling to local towns Saturday games including traveling to local towns of Coventry/Ashford/Hebron/Bolton. The season ends with a Basketball jamboree or tournament in late February.

**Grades 5 & 6 and Grades 7 & 8 Program Options. Begins with October tryouts (competitive/travel) or November (recreation) evaluation and concludes in late February. See registration numbers on evaluation date page.** Players in grades 5 & 6 and 7 & 8 have two options for play. Participate in the Junior (grades 5 & 6), Intermediate (grades 7 & 8) division OR tryout out for limited space on a competitive/travel team.

**Junior/Intermediate teams \$90.00, \$100.00 non-residents.** Teams formed after the mandatory division player evaluation day with the objective to keep teams fair and balanced. All participants will be placed on a team and with equal playing time. Requests for specific coaches or teammates are not accepted. Practices and games are used for opportunities of fundamental skill development and healthy competition in an encouraging and supportive environment. Practices are weeknights and (primarily) Saturday games including traveling to local towns of Coventry/Ashford/Hebron/Bolton. The season ends with a jamboree or tournament in late February.

**Competitive/Travel teams \$195.00 (residents only).** Grades are a combine 5&6 and 7&8 unless there are sufficient numbers allow for same grade teams. Requires an increased commitment to practices and games. Players are expected to consistently attend practices and games and participate in rigorous game preparation and game play. The season begins with tryouts in October and concludes with tournament play in March. While emphasis is still on progressive skill development and good sportsmanship, teams are limited to 8-10 players and placement must be earned each season by attending a mandatory tryout and being selected for a team. Team selection is determined by MPRD staff along with coaches. Regardless of a previous year team placement all players are required to attend at least one of the scheduled tryout dates to be considered for teams. Special requests for an alternate tryout must be made prior to registration deadline date. Staff will make decisions on special requests. This division includes participation in the North Central Connecticut Travel Basketball League. Visit [nccball.org](http://nccball.org).

## Grades 3-8 Recreation & Grades 5-8 Competitive/Travel Division

### Mandatory Player Evaluation & Tryout Information

**Registration Deadlines: Travel Division = October 15, 2016    All other divisions = October 30, 2016**

**Late fee is \$20.00 per participant and only if space is available**

<u>Division</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
<b>Grades 5&amp;6 Girls Travel Tryouts</b> (Registration #: 343014-A)	Tue	Oct. 18	5:45-7:15pm	Mansfield Middle School
	Thu	Oct. 20	5:45-7:15pm	Mansfield Middle School
*Must attend at least one tryout date *Attendance on both dates are encouraged *No registrations taken at the gym*				
<b>Grades 7&amp;8 Girls Travel Tryouts</b> (Registration #: 343016-A)	Tue	Oct. 18	7:30-9pm	Mansfield Middle School
	Thu	Oct. 20	7:30-9pm	Mansfield Middle School
*Must attend at least one tryout date *Attendance on both dates are encouraged *No registrations taken at the gym*				
<b>Grades 5&amp;6 Boys Travel Tryouts</b> (Registration #: 343010-A)	Tue	Oct. 25	5:45-7:15pm	Mansfield Middle School
	Thu	Oct. 27	5:45-7:15pm	Mansfield Middle School
Must attend at least one tryout date *Attendance on both dates are encouraged *No registrations taken at the gym*				
<b>Grades 7&amp;8 Boys Travel Tryouts</b> (Registration #: 343012-A)	Tue	Oct. 25	7:30-9pm	Mansfield Middle School
	Thu	Oct. 27	7:30-9pm	Mansfield Middle School
*Must attend at least one tryout date *Attendance on both dates are encouraged * No registrations taken at the gym*				
<b>Gr. 5&amp;6 Boys Instructional Evals.</b> (Registration #: 342003-A)	Wed	Nov. 9	5:45-7:15	Mansfield Middle School
	<u>AND</u> Sun	Nov 13	12:00-1:00	Mansfield Middle School
*Attend both dates *No registrations taken at the gym*				
<b>Gr. 5&amp;6 Girls Instructional Evals.</b> (Registration #: 342002-A)	Sat	Nov 12	1:30-2:45pm	Mansfield Middle School
*One date only * No registrations taken at the gym*				
<b>Gr. 7&amp;8 Girls Instructional Evals.</b> (Registration #: 342004-A)	Sat	Nov. 12	1:30-2:45pm	Mansfield Middle School
*One date only *Must be pre-registered * No registrations taken at the gym*				
<b>Gr. 7&amp;8 Boys Instructional Evals.</b> (Registration #: 342005-A)	Wed	Nov. 9	7:30-8:45	Mansfield Middle School
	<u>AND</u> Sun	Nov. 13	1:30-2:30	Mansfield Middle School
*Attend both dates *No registrations taken at the gym*				
<b>Gr. 3&amp;4 Boys Instructional Evals.</b> (Registration #: 341006-A)	Sat	Nov. 12	9-10:30am	Mansfield Middle School
*One date only *Must be pre-registered * No registrations taken at the gym*				
<b>Gr. 3&amp;4 Girls Instructional Evals.</b> (Registration #: 341005-A)	Sat	Nov. 12	10:45-11:45am	Mansfield Middle School
*One date only * No registrations taken at the gym*				



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**“Yes, I Want to Coach”**  
**2016 Basketball Program**  
**Return this form with registration**

\* Return form with player registration or submit information to [OKeefeJM@Mansfieldct.org](mailto:OKeefeJM@Mansfieldct.org)

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have child that is participating (if yes, list name): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Best phone contact number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please indicate the level of commitment you are interested in**

K-2 instructors (to assist P&R instructional staff)

\_\_\_\_\_ K

\_\_\_\_\_ Grades 1-2

Grades 3-8

Check Recreation and/or Travel Division (only grades 5-8 have a travel/competitive division)

\_\_\_\_\_ Recreation Division

\_\_\_\_\_ Travel Division

	<u>Grade</u>			<u>Gender</u>	
_____ Head Coach	3/4	5/6	7/8	M	F

_____ Assistant Coach	3/4	5/6	7/8	M	F
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**\*MANDATORY COACHES MEETING SUNDAY OCTOBER 30, 2016\***

Coaching is more than knowing the game. The ability to teach age appropriate athletic skills is equally as important as being aware of the psychological and emotional needs of children while participating in sports. Those interested in coaching please complete and return the above information and you will be mailed a detailed coaches application packet. Applications will also be available in the youth sports section at [www.mansfieldcc.com](http://www.mansfieldcc.com). All approved coaches must complete (on-line) NYSCA coaches' certification, concussion awareness training, a background check and attend the pre-season coaches meetings on Sunday, November 1. Questions? [OKeefejm@mansfieldct.org](mailto:OKeefejm@mansfieldct.org) or 860-429-3015, 6104.

**Coaches Meeting Sunday October 30 2016, 5:00-7:30pm**

**Mansfield Community Center, 10 South Eagleville Road, Mansfield/Storrs**

- Meeting will cover information regarding league organization, procedures and policies, safety, team selection process and division/grade curriculum for grades 3-8. Parent helpers in grades K-2 do not need to attend this meeting.

# Activity Registration Form



PLEASE CHECK REGISTRATION DATES. PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!

**Online Registration is available. Go to [www.mansfieldcc.com](http://www.mansfieldcc.com) and click on the on-line registration link.**

MAIL TO: Mansfield Parks & Recreation Department, 10 South Eagleville Road, Storrs/Mansfield CT 06268

Primary Household Contact (Parent/Guardian)		Secondary Household Contact (Parent/Guardian)	
Name:		Name:	
Address:			
Town:	Zip:		
Phone: (H)	(W)	Phone: (H)	(W)
(Cell)		(Cell)	
Email Address:		Email Address:	

Please check here if any of the above information is new.

LOCAL Emergency Contact (Other than parent/guardian, i.e. grandparent, neighbor, etc.)

Name:	Phone:
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Activity#/Letters	Activity Name	Participant's Last Name	First Name	Birth Date	Gender	Fee
Contribution to Scholarship Fund (see page 69)						

Please check here if you have purchased a Community Center Membership.

Some Mansfield residents may be eligible for low-income fee reductions. Check with the Parks & Recreation Office for more information and an application.

Also fill details below for each participant:

	Grade Entering	School	Allergies, Special Asst, Meds, Other info:
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			

PAYMENT INFORMATION: Please make checks payable to: Town of Mansfield

Payment Method: Check \_\_\_\_\_ Cash (In office only) \_\_\_\_\_ AMEX/DS/MC/VISA (In office only) \_\_\_\_\_

(Separate checks required for each program)

**Credit Cards accepted online and in person only!**

**WAIVER OF PARTICIPANT BY PARENT OR SELF:** I hereby agree to release, discharge, and hold harmless the Town of Mansfield, the University of Connecticut, its directors, officers, employees, agents, contractors, and/or volunteers from any and all liability that may occur during either my participation or the participation of my minor child in the above listed recreational activities. I understand that participation in any recreational sport or activity involves risk, and I grant permission to the Town of Mansfield to utilize any medical emergency services it deems necessary to treat any injuries that I may or my minor child may incur. I further understand that the Town of Mansfield does not provide insurance for recreational program participants. PHOTO RELEASE: I understand that for promotional purposes, the Town videotapes and/or takes photographs of participants enrolled in recreational activities, classes or programs. I hereby release and permit the Town of Mansfield to utilize for said promotional purposes any photographs and/or videotapes of me or my minor child engaging in the above listed recreational activities.

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