

Lake County Board of Developmental Disabilities

Community Recreation Program Brochure Fall 2026 (September – December)



This Community Recreation Program brochure of activities is provided by the LCBDD/Deepwood Recreation Department and is offered to individuals who reside in Lake County who have been determined eligible for County Board services.

The Recreation Department does not dispense any medications. If you will be taking medication, please notify us (see our medication policy in this packet).

Questions? Contact 440-350-5165.

Go to our website at www.LakeBDD.org/community-recreation-program/ to view county board recreation services and **REGISTER ONLINE.**

If you are interested in signing up to attend any of the **FALL 2026** activities, please register by **AUGUST 28, 2026** via *one* of five ways:

Website	Register at www.LakeBDD.org/community-recreation-registration/ .
Call/Email	Contact the Recreation Specialist associated with the activity of interest, call 440-350-5165, or email Recreation@LakeBDD.org .
Mail/Drop Off	Fill out the registration form and drop off/send to: Lake County Board of DD/Deepwood c/o Recreation Services 8121 Deepwood Boulevard, Mentor, Ohio 44060

Missed the registration deadline? Contact Recreation@LakeBDD.org or call 440-350-5165.

DO NOT send money at time of registration. Please bring any fees/payment to the activity.

Are you interested in **volunteering** for Community Recreation or Special Olympics activities?
Call 440-350-5173 or email Volunteer@LakeBDD.org.

Community Recreation Activities - On Campus Activities

Wednesday Night Bingo



- What:** B-I-N-G-O! Play for cool prizes and have fun with friends!
Where: VGC Cafeteria
When: First Wednesdays from 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM
September 2, October 7, (No November Bingo), December 2
Cost: FREE! Bring money for snacks.
Questions? Contact Deb at 440-350-5149 or Deb.Topalian@LakeBDD.org

Tuesday Night Movies



- What:** Join Recreation for Movie Night! (Movies subject to change.)
Where: VGC Training Room
When: Every second and fourth Tuesday from 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM
September 8: Paddington in Peru
October 13: Descendants: Winter Wonderland
October 27: Beetlejuice
November 10: To Be Announced
November 24: Toy Story 5
December 8: How the Grinch Stole Christmas
No Movie on September 22 or December 22
Cost: FREE! Bring money for snacks.
Questions? Contact Deb at 440-350-5149 or Deb.Topalian@LakeBDD.org

Fall/Christmas Craft Night



- What:** Seasonal craft and light snack/drink included.
Where: VGC Cafeteria
When: Wednesday, October 21 from 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Wednesday, December 9 from 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM
Cost: \$10 each night – can be paid the night of – checks can be made out to Deepwood Recreation Expense Fund
Note: Pre-registration is required. If you are unable to attend, you must contact Kara as soon as possible.
Questions? Contact Kara at 440-350-5144 or Kara.Shubert@LakeBDD.org



Halloween Bonfire



- What:** Enjoy s'mores by the bonfire while dressed in your best Halloween costumes! Costume Contest with prizes for the Scariest, Cutest, Best Group, and Most Original.
- Where:** Recreation Site
- When:** Thursday, October 22 from 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM
- Cost:** \$5
- Questions?** Contact Sarah 440-350-5232 or Sarah.Hurley@LakeBDD.org

Holiday Choir and Concert



- What:** Like to show off your voice? Come do just that with friends and look forward to performing with Hearts for Music at a concert!
- Where:** VGC Training Room and Cafeteria
Practices: Saturdays, 1:30 PM – 2:30 PM on November 7, 14, 21, 28
Performance: December 3 at 6:00 PM
- Cost:** FREE
- Notes:** Everyone is welcome, but attendance is expected for all practices and performance.
- Questions?** Contact Ellana at 440-350-5137 or Ellana.Fishwick@LakeBDD.org

Cookie Making



- What:** Cookies taste better when you make them together! Two small groups will make cookies together.
- Where:** VGC – Follow the signs.
- When:** Saturday, November 14 from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Sunday, November 15 from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
- Cost:** \$10 – Limited to 8 participants in each group.
- Questions?** Contact Deb at 440-350-5149 or Deb.Topalian@LakeBDD.org

Taco Tuesday



- What:** Come and build your own tacos to eat with your amigos!
- Where:** VGC Cafeteria
- When:** Tuesday, November 17 from 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM
- Cost:** \$10
- Questions?** Contact Michael at 440-350-5235 or Michael.Shubert@LakeBDD.org

Paint and Sip



- What:** Enjoy mocktails and snacks as you create a step-by-step masterpiece!
- Where:** VGC Cafeteria
- When:** Saturday, November 21 from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
- Cost:** \$10
- Note:** Please arrive on time – you will need to follow along to complete your painting.
- Questions?** Contact Sarah at 440-350-5232 or Sarah.Hurley@LakeBDD.org

NERF Holiday Shooting Gallery



- What:** Come show off your nerf shooting skills and take down as many targets as possible!
- Where:** VGC
- When:** Saturday, December 12 from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM
- Cost:** \$10 – Pizza and refreshments provided.
- Questions?** Contact Michael at 440-350-5235 or Michael.Shubert@LakeBDD.org

Community Trips and Outings

High School Football (Mentor vs. Brunswick)



- What:** Enjoy a night under the lights at the football game!
- Where:** Meet at the Recreation Site, Travel to Mentor Stadium
- When:** Friday, September 11 from 6:15 PM – 9:15 PM
- Cost:** \$15 – Bring extra for concessions.
- Note:** Please dress appropriately for the weather.
- Questions?** Contact Michael at 440-350-5235 or Michael.Shubert@LakeBDD.org

Clam Boil at Ferrante's Winery



- What:** Enjoy a clam boil dinner (includes chowder, mussels, clams, sausage, potatoes, corn, bread, and butter) at Ferrante's.
- Where:** Meet at the Recreation Site, travel to Geneva
- When:** Sunday, September 13 from 1:30 PM – 5:30 PM
- Cost:** \$37.50, Bring extra money if you would like to order a drink.
- Note:** Limited to 12 people.
- Questions?** Contact Kara at 440-350-5144 or Kara.Shubert@LakeBDD.org

Aerobics Dance Class



- What:** Stay in shape while working out to your favorite songs!
- Where:** Meet at Willoughby Senior Center
- When:** Wednesdays, September 16, 23, 30, and October 7 from 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM
- Cost:** \$10 for all four sessions.
- Note:** Bring a water bottle and dress ready to work out!
- Questions?** Contact Ellana at 440-350-5137 or Ellana.Fishwick@LakeBDD.org

Fishing Derby



- What:** Join us as the Northeast Walleye Association hosts us at the Weslaco Sportsman Club for a fishing derby!
- Where:** Meet at the Recreation Site; Travel to Weslaco Club
- When:** Sunday, September 20 from 8:30 AM – 1:30 PM
- Cost:** FREE – includes lunch and tackle.
- Note:** They provide all equipment – but you are welcome to bring your fishing pole if you would like.
- Questions?** Contact Mike at 440-350-5136 or Mike.Terhart@LakeBDD.org

Balloon-A-Fair Light-Up Night



- What:** See a variety of hot air balloons light-up the night and enjoy dinner from one of the many fair vendors!
- Where:** Meet at the Recreation Site, travel to Portage Fairgrounds
- When:** Friday, September 25 from 5:30 PM - 10:30 PM
- Cost:** \$10 per ticket - Bring \$25 for dinner and vendors.
- Note:** Event is entirely outdoors at the fairgrounds.
- Questions?** Contact Sarah at 440-350-5232 or Sarah.Hurley@LakeBDD.org

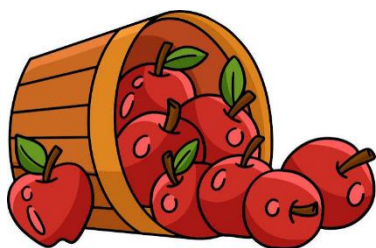


Shopping at Aurora Farms Outlets



- What:** Enjoy a day of shopping at Aurora Farms Outlets.
- Where:** Meet at the Recreation Site, travel to Aurora Farms
- When:** Friday, October 2 from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
- Cost:** Bring Spending Money.
- Note:** Shops are outside, dress appropriately for weather. Limited to 15 participants.
- Questions?** Contact Michael at 440-350-5235 or Michael.Shubert@LakeBDD.org

Patterson's Fruit Farm



- What:** Enjoy a ride through the orchard to pick apples and then eat lunch and dessert in the pavilion.
- Where:** Meet at the Recreation Site, travel to Chesterland
- When:** Saturday, October 3 from 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM
- Cost:** \$10 – Bring a packed lunch and drink.
- Note:** Limited to 15 participants.
- Questions?** Contact Deb at 440-350-5149 or Deb.Topalian@LakeBDD.org

Willoughby Ghost Walk



- What:** Hear spooky stories about the Ghosts of Willoughby as you walk around town!
- Where:** Meet at VGC cafeteria; travel to Downtown Willoughby
- When:** Wednesday, October 14 from 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
- Cost:** \$7 for pizza dinner at VGC
- Notes:** Must be able to ascend/descend stairs. Dress for the weather – limited to 12 people.
- Questions?** Contact Ellana 440-350-5137 or Ellana.Fishwick@LakeBDD.org

Pumpkin Village



- What:** Enjoy Mapleside Farms Pumpkin Village – corn maze, potato sack slide, hayrides, and more!
- Where:** Meet at the Recreation Site; Travel to Brunswick
- When:** Saturday, October 24 from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
- Cost:** \$40
- Note:** Limited to 12 participants.
- Questions?** Contact Mike at 440-350-5136 or Mike.Terhart@LakeBDD.org

Trip to Frankenmuth, Michigan



- What:** Explore the Germantown all decorated for the holidays and stay at a waterpark!
- Where:** Meet at the Recreation Site, Travel to Frankenmuth
- When:** Tuesday, November 3 – Thursday, November 5
- Drop Off:** Tuesday, November 3 at 9:00 AM at Recreation Site
- Pick-Up:** Thursday, November 5 at 4:00 PM at Recreation Site
- Cost:** TBA – around \$300 (includes lodging, waterpark, and meals)
- Questions?** Contact Ellana at 440-350-5137 or Ellana.Fishwick@LakeBDD.org

White Christmas at Fine Arts



- What:** Enjoy the White Christmas musical at Willoughby Fine Arts.
- Where:** Meet at the Recreation Site, travel to Fine Arts Association
- When:** Wednesday, November 25 from 6:30 PM – 10:15 PM
- Cost:** FREE – Bring money for concessions.
- Questions?** Contact Kara at 440-350-5144 or Kara.Shubert@LakeBDD.org

Monsters Hockey Game



- What:** Cheer on Cleveland's own Lake Erie Monsters Hockey team!
- Where:** Meet at the Recreation Site, Travel to Cleveland
- When:** Wednesday, December 2 from 6:00 PM – 10:15 PM
- Cost:** \$25
- Questions?** Contact Mike at 440-350-5136 or Mike.Terhart@LakeBDD.org

Castle Noel Tour



- What:** Take a tour of Castle Noel, see Santa, and enjoy lunch out!
- Where:** Meet at the Recreation Site; travel to Medina
- When:** Friday, December 4 from 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM
- Cost:** \$32 – Bring an extra \$25 for lunch.
- Note:** Limited to 12 participants.
- Questions?** Contact Sarah at 440-350-5232 or Sarah.Hurley@LakeBDD.org

Please note: Some activities may be limited to a certain number of participants. We strive to accommodate everyone interested, but flexibility may be needed at times. When you are signed up for an activity, you will receive a confirmation memo. If you are unsure or have questions, please call 440-350-5165.

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Contact 440-350-5165 or Recreation@LakeBDD.org with any questions and/or to be matched with the activities that interest you!

We have begun offering activities for specific groups. Please reference the information below and contact the corresponding Recreation Specialist for more information.

Check out the NEXT Club!

NEXT Club is a group for individuals ages 22 - 40 who are interested in spending time with their peers enjoying a variety of activities that appeal to many interests including recreation, leisure, and physical activity.

Examples of Thursday evening activities include Captains games, movie nights, hiking, and cookouts and examples of Friday daytime activities include things like shopping, kayaking, and lunches.

Want to join in the fun? Contact Michael Shubert at 440-350-5235 or Michael.Shubert@LakeBDD.org to learn more and get a list of current NEXT Club activities!

Check out the School Age / Transition Group!

The School Age / Transition group specifically focuses on the interests of school age individuals only (up to 22 years old). The group's goal is to provide opportunities for socialization and strengthen fine and gross motor skills while having fun and exploring new interests with their peers.

Examples of activities may include outdoor adventures, crafts, and more! There is also a monthly Youth Empowerment Group meeting, along with events such as the Carnival and Ice Cream Social, in collaboration with Transition Services geared towards individuals ages 14 – 22.

Want to join in the fun? Contact Sarah Hurley at 440-350-5232 or Sarah.Hurley@LakeBDD.org to learn more and receive the School Age brochure!

Special Olympics

Registration Form. Check off any/all Special Olympics sports that you are interested in below:

_____ **CORNHOLE:**

Wednesdays – September 2, 9, 16, and 23
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM at Recreation Site



_____ **S.O. COMPETITIVE BASKETBALL:**

Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning October 13
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM at Broadmoor Gym



_____ **S.O. COMPETITIVE SWIMMING:**

Fridays beginning December 4
4:00 PM -5:00 PM at West End YMCA



_____ **CROSS COUNTRY SKIING / SNOWSHOEING:**

Tuesdays beginning January 5
3:30 PM - 4:30 PM at Recreation Site



_____ **INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN AMBASSADOR FOR YOUR SPORT, LAKE COUNTY, AND SPECIAL OLYMPICS EVERYWHERE?** Sign up to get info and learn how to get started!

Missed the registration deadline, but still interested? Questions about Special Olympics?
Contact Chris at 440-350-5119 or Chris.Bundy@LakeBDD.org

IMPORTANT: Return this page with your information to sign up.

Special Olympics FALL 2026 Sports		
Please bring a bottle of water and wear comfortable clothing.		
Name:	Age:	Phone:
Email Address:		

REGISTRATION DUE by AUGUST 28, 2026.

Email/scan to chris.bundy@lakebdd.org or send via US Mail to:

Lake County Board of DD/Deepwood
c/o Special Olympics
8121 Deepwood Boulevard
Mentor, OH 44060

FALL 2026 (September - December) COMMUNITY RECREATION PROGRAM BROCHURE

Indicate which activities that you wish to register for below. Email/scan this form to Recreation@LakeBDD.org or send via US Mail before AUGUST 28, 2026.			
Name:		Age:	Date of Birth:
Address:		City:	Zip:
Phone Numbers:	Day:	Evening:	
Email for activity contact:			
If you require any accommodations to participate in Recreation activities, PLEASE NOTIFY THE RECREATION SPECIALIST ASSOCIATED WITH THE ACTIVITY.			
September 2, October 7, December 2	Wednesday Night Bingo		
September 8, October 13 and 27, November 10 and 24, December 8	Tuesday Night Movies		
October 21 and December 9	Fall/Christmas Craft Night		
October 22	Halloween Bonfire		
November 7, 14, 21, 28, December 3	Holiday Choir and Concert		
November 14 and 15	Cookie Making		
November 17	Taco Tuesday		
November 21	Paint and Sip		
December 12	NERF Holiday Shooting Gallery		
CHOOSE ONLY <u>THREE</u> ACTIVITIES LISTED BELOW. The activities listed below have limited capacities for participation. Indicate the activities you are interested in (up to three) and we will do our best to accommodate. Thank you!			
September 11	High School Football		
September 13	Clam Boil at Ferrante's		
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LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES / DEEPWOOD

Recreation and Special Olympics Program MEDICATION PROTOCOL



Attention all Recreation Participants, Parents, Guardians, and Providers

This memo is to clarify how medications will be addressed while on Recreation Community Program activities. The following is the procedure for the administration of medications:

- A. Participants who are able to safely self-administer prescribed medication with or without assistance shall administer his/her own medication independently or receive assistance, as applicable.
- B. The medication may be kept by the participant or with the recreation staff assigned to the activity. Storage of medication will be at the discretion of the recreation staff based on the activity.
- C. If the participant requires medication while on a recreation activity, and is able to self-administer or self-administer with assistance; written notification must be given to Recreation Services staff prior to that activity, including the following information:
 - 1. Participant's self-administration status (i.e. able to self-administer, able to self-administer with assistance);
 - 2. Type of assistance required for self-administration (If applicable);
 - 3. Name of medication(s);
 - 4. Date and time medication is to be administered; and
 - 5. Dosage and quantity of medication to be administered.

In accordance with Rule 5123:2-6-02 Self-Administration or assistance with self-administration of prescribed medication; when an individual has been assessed as able to safely self-administer prescribed medication or self-administer prescribed medication with assistance, developmental disabilities personnel are not authorized to verify accuracy of medication being taken by the individual on a routine basis unless specified in the individual's service plan.

D. If the participant requires medication administration by licensed or certified personnel, contact the Recreation Department **PRIOR TO** registering for any activity to discuss available options for the participant's medication needs to be met per the LCBDD Recreation and Special Olympics Medication Protocol Departmental Procedure.

This procedure will be strictly adhered to and participants cannot attend activities without prior notification and/or an agreed upon plan to that complies with applicable Rules.

Thank you for your cooperation in assisting us to ensure everyone's safety during these activities. Our fax number is (440) 350-5135. Please call (440) 350-5165 if you have any questions.

WAIVER OF LIABILITY

LCBDD Recreation Brochure, Special Olympics, and Group Activities

In consideration of the opportunity afforded me to participate in Recreation activities with the Lake County Board of DD Recreation Department, in which I have and will participate freely and voluntarily, and in light of this opportunity afforded me, and the aims and services provided to individuals with developmental disabilities by the Lake County Board of DD, I hereby waive any rights or causes of action against the Lake County Board of DD, its board members, managers, employees, officers, directors, participants, collectively or individually, for any and all personal injury to me or members of my family, or damage to my property sustained in connection with my activities or travel for the Lake County Board of DD, or my participation in such activities. This includes activities and trips outlined in the Community Recreation Brochure and Day Program Community Recreation Brochure, Special Olympics, as well as activities facilitated by Recreation personnel through the ancillary groups including but not limited to; School-Age Group, NEXT Club, and Fun Days Group. I fully understand that the activities in which I will engage might include, but are not limited to, physical activity and contact and that I am choosing to participate at my own risk.

The undersigned further declares and represent that no promise, inducement or agreement not herein expressed has been made to the undersigned and that this Waiver contains the entire agreement between the parties hereto, and that the terms of this Waiver are contractual and not mere recital.

CAUTION: READ BEFORE SIGNING. THIS IS A WAIVER OF ALL YOUR RIGHTS.

The undersigned acknowledges READING AND FULLY UNDERSTANDING THE TERMS OF THIS WAIVER.

PARTICIPANT SIGNATURE (required for any adult with capacity to sign legal documents)

By signing this Waiver, I acknowledge that I have completely read and fully understand the potential risk to my participation.

Participant Signature: _____ Date: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE (required for anyone who is a minor or lacks capacity to sign legal documents)

I am a parent or guardian of the Individual named above. I have read and understand this Waiver and have explained the contents to the Individual as appropriate. By signing, I agree to this Waiver on my own behalf and on behalf of the Individual.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____ Relationship: _____

LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES/ DEEPWOOD

Recreation Community Program NOTIFICATION OF INFORMATION

Thank you for your participation in the LCBDD Recreation Department's catalog of activities!

In order to provide cost savings, we will be sending the Recreation Community Program quarterly catalog of activities via email to those interested. If your email address changes, please let us know so you will continue to receive information about our Recreation Community Program catalog of activities.

Your contact information:

Name: _____

Email Address: _____

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