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HATTERAS ISLAND SPRING ACTIVITIES



**Registration for spring programs
at the Fessenden Center will begin
on Wednesday, February 18, 2026.**

Registration for programs will close at 5 p.m. on the dates listed with the activities, or it will remain open until the program is full. Once a program is full, a child can be put on a waitlist. Registration may be completed online at DareNC.gov/Register or in person at the Fessenden Center.

All children must meet age eligibility requirements and be Dare County residents in order to participate. All children must also be potty-trained. No pull-ups will be allowed.

The age cutoff date is March 1, 2026. This means that participating children must be the required age listed for their activity on March 1, 2026. Please note that there are no exceptions.



IMPORTANT THINGS TO REMEMBER WHEN REGISTERING:

- Registration can be done online or in person. If there are issues with online registration, please call our office for assistance.
- A program is open until it is full. Once a program is full, children will be placed on a waiting list. If space becomes available, participants on the waiting list will be notified.
- Participants must meet the age requirement and play at age.
- Participants will not be allowed to play “up” or “down.”
- Programs/schedules are subject to change without notice.

TEE BALL

Ages:

4-6 (co-ed)

Cost:

\$30 per child

Number of Participants:

Maximum of 40.

Deadline to Register:

March 27, 2026 at 5 p.m. or until full.

When:

Tuesdays and/or Thursdays at 4 p.m.
(from April 7, 2026 to late May)

Where:

Fessenden Center field

Details:

Children will learn the basic skills of catching, hitting and fielding. All children will need to provide their own glove.

BASEBALL BUDDIES

Ages:

3-4 (co-ed with a parent)

Cost:

\$40 per child

Number of Participants:

Minimum of 5. Maximum of 10.

When:

May 25-28, 2026 (nightly)
5:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.

Where:

Fessenden Center gym

Deadline to Register:

May 1, 2026 at 5 p.m. or until full.

Details:

Children will learn the basics of baseball, including catching, throwing, running and batting. All participants will receive their own kit to keep, which includes two koosh balls, one glove, and a bat and ball set. Upon registration we will need to know if your child is right-handed or left-handed.

SPRING TENNIS CLINICS

- Ages:**
7-10 (Beginner)
11-15 (Advanced)
- When:**
Every Monday and Wednesday beginning May 4, 2026 and ending June 3, 2026.
- Cost:**
\$35 per child
- Where:**
Fessenden Center tennis courts
- Time:**
Beginner class – from 3 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.
Advanced class – from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- Number of Participants:**
Minimum of 6 per class. Maximum of 12 per class.

Details:
Participants in the beginner level class will learn proper technique, strokes and court positioning. Participants in the advanced class will continue working on technique and form and also learn game play.

TENNIS BUDDIES

- Ages:**
5-7 (co-ed with a parent)
- When:**
April 27, 2026 to April 30, 2026 (nightly)
5:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.
- Cost:**
\$40 per child
- Where:**
Fessenden Center
- Number of Participants:**
Minimum of 5.
Maximum of 12.
- Deadline:**
April 3, 2026 at 5 p.m. or open until full.

Details:
Tennis Buddies is a developmentally appropriate introductory program designed to teach children the basics of tennis. The required tennis kit that each child will keep includes one tennis racquet and two tennis balls.

SPRING GYMNASTICS

Ages:

3-12 (co-ed)

When:

Saturdays from March 14, 2026 to May 9, 2026

Where:

Fessenden Center gymnasium

Cost:

\$45 per child

Number of Participants:

Maximum of 20 for ages 3-4

Maximum of 40 for ages 5-12

Details:

Participants will learn a variety of gymnastics that are appropriate to their skill level, including tumbling, balance beam and Tumble Trak. Class times will be assigned at a later date. This session is being taught by Caisey Ulmer.

HIP HOP DANCE

Ages:

7 years and older

When:

Thursdays from March 5, 2026 to May 14, 2026

Cost:

\$70 per child

Time:

5 p.m. to 5:45 p.m.

Where:

Fessenden Center activity room

Details:

This 10-week hip hop class introduces basic hip hop techniques and movement. Attire is loose-fitted shirts and pants/shorts. No jeans or cropped shirts. Sneakers are required; no Crocs or flip flops. A routine will be performed at the May 2026 dance recital.

SAVE THE DATE!

Dare County Dance Recital

Dare County Dance Presents Year 40 Recital, "Dancing through NYC, 40 Years of DCD"

When:

Saturday, May 16, 2026

Time:

To be announced (morning performance and matinee performance)

Where:

Cape Hatteras Secondary School

Cost:

\$5 per person for general admission. Tickets will be available for purchase at Dare County and Recreation Department offices in April 2026. Tickets will not be available for purchase at the door on the day of the performance.

LEGO CLUB

Ages:

8-12 (co-ed)

Cost:

\$20 per child

Number of Participants:

Minimum of 5. Maximum of 20.

When:

Fridays from March 13, 2026 to May 1, 2026

Time:

3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Where:

Fessenden Center Annex

Details:

Participants will meet weekly to explore STEM-based creation through Legos. There will be challenges to design and build on set parameters, as well as free build sessions.



MOVE, SING AND SHINE MUSIC AND MOVEMENT CLASS

Ages:

Babies: 8 months to 18 months (with adult)

Toddlers: 19 months to 35 months (with adult)

Preschool: 3-5 years (with adult participation/supervision)

Dates:

Tuesday mornings: March 10, March 17, March 24, March 31, April 14 and April 21

Times:

Babies: 8:45 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.

Toddlers: 9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Preschool: 10:15 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

Where:

Fessenden Center activity room

Cost:

\$55 per child

Number of Participants:

Maximum of 4 per age group.

Maximum of 8 per age group.

Details:

Move, Sing, and Shine classes support whole child development through play, which is a child's most important work. Children will explore rhythm, group dances, circle games, and simple instruments such as sticks, bell shakers and sand blocks. This class will strengthen coordination, listening skills, social-emotional growth, creativity and confidence. This class will be taught by Victoria Phelps. Victoria is a trained music and movement educator. Move, Sing, and Shine class will nurture learning in a fun and engaging way.



HATTERAS ISLAND BASEBALL LEAGUE

We are excited to start a new year and welcome new and returning players to the Hatteras Island Baseball League! We have three age divisions, which are determined by your child's age as of May 1, 2026.

The three different age divisions are as follows:

- 8U: 8 years and under, coach pitch (minimum of 6 years old)
- 10U: 10 years and under, kid pitch
- 12U: 12 years and under, kid pitch

All teams are co-ed.

Skills day will be held at the end of February 2026. Details will be announced at a later date. Teams will be drafted after skills day, and coaches will contact families.

A few things to know about the draft process:

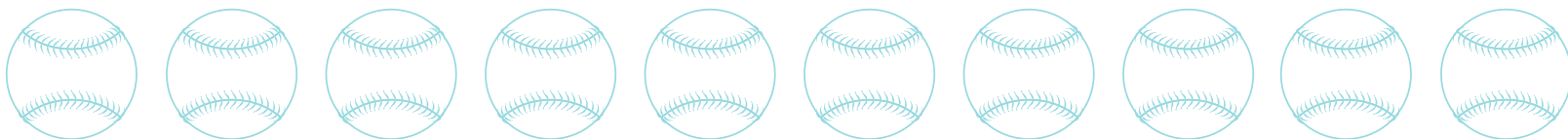
- Your child may return to the team they were drafted to last year.
- Your child may also return to the draft and join a new team.
- If your child's coach is no longer coaching or has moved up to a new age division, your child will go into the draft.
- Players moving up into a new age division will automatically go into the draft.

The Hatteras Island Baseball League is not run by Dare County Parks and Recreation. If you are interested in volunteering, or if you have any general questions, please contact Travis Salyers or Brandon Powell at the following numbers:

- Travis Salyers: 252-305-5774
- Brandon Powell: 252-996-0292

Get ready for some baseball!

Follow us on Instagram @HatterasIslandBaseball and on Facebook by searching "Hatteras Island Baseball League"



2026 SEASON BASEBALL LEAGUE REGISTRATION

Player's Name: _____

Birthdate: _____ Age as of May 1, 2026: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Emergency contact and phone: _____

Check one: Stay on last years' team Enter draft -OR- New Player

**Registration Fee is \$50.00 per child. Registration closes at 5 p.m. on February 20, 2026.
Late Registration is \$60 per child**

If paying at the Fessenden Center, please make checks payable to Dare County General Fund.

I, as a Parent/Guardian, release/agree that Hatteras Island Baseball League, its Board of Directors, Coaches, or Volunteers will not be held liable for any injury my child incur.

I HAVE FULLY READ AND UNDERSTAND ALL OF THE ABOVE.

Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! If you are interested, please check one:

Umpire Coach Asst. Coach Concession Fundraising

Uniform sizes (indicate child or adult): Pants: _____ Shirt: _____

YOUTH	XS (6-7)	S (8-9)	M (10-11)	L (14-16)	XL (18-20)
Chest	24 ^{1/2} - 26	26 ^{1/2} - 28	28 ^{1/2} - 30	30 ^{1/2} - 33	33 ^{1/2} - 36
Waist	20 ^{1/2} - 22	22 ^{1/2} - 24	24 ^{1/2} - 26	26 ^{1/2} - 29	29 ^{1/2} - 32
Seat	24 - 25 ^{1/2}	25 ^{1/2} - 27	27 ^{1/2} - 30	30 ^{1/2} - 34	34 ^{1/2} - 37
Height	43 - 46 ^{1/2}	47 - 52 ^{1/2}	51 - 58 ^{1/2}	59 - 64 ^{1/2}	65 - 68 ^{1/2}

MEN	S	M	L
Chest	34-36	38-40	42-44
Waist	28-30	32-34	36-38



YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR FIRST

TRUNK OR TREATS!

SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2026

11-1 P.M.

CARS FROM LOCAL INDIVIDUALS/BUSINESSES WILL BE SET UP
IN OUR PARKING LOT PASSING OUT EASTER GOODIES!

THE EASTER BUNNY WILL BE HERE TOO! THIS EVENT WILL
MOVE INTO THE GYM IN CASE OF BAD WEATHER.

PLEASE JOIN US!

