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Greetings!

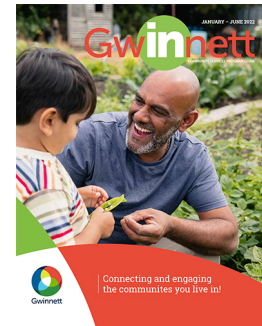
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New Year = New You

Resolve to make 2022 the best year ever! Gwinnett Community Services offers hundreds of fantastic events, programs, and activities for all ages and abilities. Many are free or low-cost. Check out the new [InGwinnett: January – June](#) edition to kick your calendar into gear!

Simply click on an activity to register. Create an account or log in to add the activity to your cart and checkout. Some activities do not require registration. Have questions or need assistance? Call the activity location during open hours.

As we return to normal operations, visitors are asked to please follow all public health guidance.



Seize the day!



Celebrate special occasions big and small all year long, from Valentine's Day dances to Father's Day fun. Experience African American culture in February and Asian American and Pacific Islander heritage in May. Hunt for leprechauns and do the Shamrock Shake in March. Head to McDaniel Farm for National Animal Cracker Day in April. Gather a basketful of eggs in the spring and make a sweet keepsake for mom. Don't miss the Quince Expo in March and the Mexican-themed Red, White, & Green with a Salsa Showdown in May.

Expand your horizons

Embrace your inner artist at Courthouse Craft Night, shape a masterpiece on a pottery wheel in Pinckneyville, or do the boogie-woogie at a 50s-inspired Sock Hop. Learn to play chess in Berkeley Lake or solve a Hitchcock-worthy mystery in Norcross. Browse unique artisan creations on the Chattahoochee in April at Jones Bridge Park or check out the gallery shows at the Gwinnett Historic Courthouse. Take a trip back in time on guided tours of historic sites, including Lawrenceville Female Seminary, Freeman's Mill Park, and the Yellow River Post Office.



Visit our [registration page](#) to learn more about these events and activities

Move it!



Not only does Gwinnett boast over 50 parks to stretch your legs, but our locations also offer a full roster of fitness, gymnastics, martial arts, dance, and swim classes, as well as youth sports like basketball and cheerleading, and adult athletics including softball and volleyball.

Sharpen your tennis skills or try your hand at disc golf or pickleball, a game that combines tennis, badminton, and table tennis. Active adults 50+ can sign up for line dancing, tap, aerobics and yoga. Youngsters can explore the great outdoors on

a Wetland Walkabout or Frog Frolic Hike. Make tracks to Rhodes Jordan Park for a free Family Health & Fitness Day in June. [Preregister and reserve your spot!](#)

Go green!

Do your part to protect the planet. Take a Wild Earth Odyssey in April at the Environmental & Heritage Center, make an upcycled Classy Glass, or [donate a book for the G.R.E.A.T. Little Minds Book Exchanges](#). Shop second-hand or clear out clutter at Resale Markets in Buford, Duluth, Norcross, and Snellville. Hone your green thumb with virtual gardening sessions and get planting with [Harvest Gwinnett](#). Eating your veggies is a whole lot easier with the help of a community garden. Learn more about healthy living at free Community Health Fairs in February and May.



Get a job!



Teenagers, listen up. Did you know you can snag a great job as a lifeguard at one of Gwinnett's year-round aquatic centers or seasonal pools? The pay is competitive, the hours are flexible, and the training is even free if you go to work here.

All ages are welcome to [apply](#).

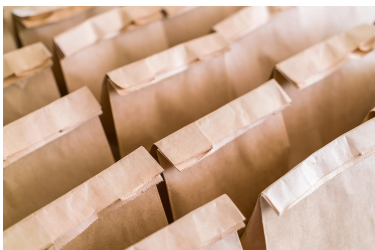
Just for kids

Camp isn't just for summer anymore. [Register](#) for Adventure Days Out (ages 5 to 12) in January, February, and March at multiple locations. Spring Break camps run April 4 – 8; summer camps launch in June.

OneStop Buford hosts monthly Kids Nights, for ages 6 to 11, with a light dinner and activities. Pop-Up Park Play Days are offered from January through June. Early learners can boost STEAM and reading skills with entertaining programming, while homeschoolers can explore astronomy and meteorology at the Gwinnett Environmental & Heritage Center.



Free Summer Meals



Once school is out, the Summer Food Service Program will be in full swing, providing a free breakfast and lunch for families with children up to age 18 or adults aged 19 and older with a mental or physical impairment. The federally funded and state-administered program reimburses program operators who provide children and teens nutritious meals and snacks in low-income areas during summer break.

Find the full list of locations for meals at GwinnettSummerMeals.com. Want to help? Visit VolunteerGwinnett.net.

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