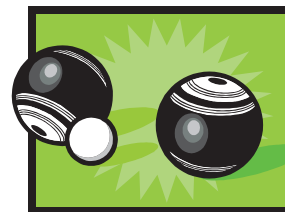


MPS Adaptive Athletics

Bocce Ball Tournament Information



TO: Adaptive Athletics Coaches

FROM: Annie McGinnity, Assistant Recreation Supervisor, MPS Adaptive Athletics

RE: 2012 Adaptive Athletics Bocce Ball Tournament Information

Wisconsin's Model Academic Standards for Physical Education

- Pre K-12 Standard 1:** Demonstrates competency in motor skills and movement patterns needed to perform a variety of physical activities.
- Pre K-12 Standard 2:** Demonstrates understanding of movement concepts, principles, strategies, and tactics as they apply to the learning and performance of physical activities.
- Pre K-12 Standard 3:** Participates regularly in physical activity.
- Pre K-12 Standard 5:** Exhibits responsible personal and social behavior that respects self and others in physical activity settings.
- Pre K-12 Standard 6:** Values physical activity for health, enjoyment, challenge, self-expression, and/or social interaction.

Unique Levels of Participating Athletes

1, 2, & 3

Level/Dates Available

<u>Level/Dates</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Entry Deadline Date</u>
Elementary/K-8 Tuesday, March 20, 2012	North Division Multiplex 1011 West Center Street	Friday, March 2, 2012
Secondary (Traditional Middle/High Schools) Wednesday, March 21, 2012	North Division Multiplex 1011 West Center Street	Friday, March 2, 2012

Time

Busses will start picking up between 9:15 and 9:30 a.m. Tournament will run from 10:00 a.m. to approximately 1:15 p.m. Buses will load shortly thereafter.

Transportation

MPS Adaptive Athletics will provide and arrange transportation. Bus pick-up times will be confirmed via email when we receive them from the bus company. When you arrive at North Division Multiplex, please enter through the main doors off of Center Street.

Work Site Transportation (High School Only) **NEW POLICY!!!**

Work site transportation should now be arranged by your school's transportation secretary. The transportation secretary should contact the bus companies for students with **MORNING** job sites and indicate that their regular school route should pick them up the day of the tournament and bring them to school instead of their job site. All students with afternoon job sites will go back to school with you instead of their job site.

Participants

Any MPS Adaptive Athletics athlete with a disability may participate. Participating athletes may ALSO participate in S.O.G.M.A. (Special Olympics of the Greater Milwaukee Area) competitions, if they have a primary cognitive disability and a valid Special Olympics Medical Form and a Special Olympics Release Form on file, however, S.O.G.M.A. participation is not required.

Lunch

Please have athletes bring bag lunches from home, or order bag lunches from your cafeteria to bring along. Lunch will be eaten on your own when your athletes are not competing. Staff are strongly discouraged from leaving the tournament site to pick up fast food.

Activities

There is down time when athletes are not competing. You may want to consider bringing quiet, independent activities for your athletes to engage in while they are waiting to compete.

Roster

Once all entry forms are received and athletes are divisioned, you will receive a final roster a few days before the event via fax. Please contact me immediately if you notice any issues with the roster, specifically with athlete skill levels.

Permission Slips

In order to participate, **ALL** athletes must have an MPS Adaptive Athletics Permission Slip **and** the MPS Parent Permission and Waiver Form for Field Trips signed by their parent/guardian. This should be sent out prior to the tournament.

Divisions

Athletes will be placed in divisions according to ability level, level of social functioning, and age. **It is very important that we have a score for each athlete in order to appropriately division them.**

Practice/Training

It is **IMPERATIVE** that your athletes have a basic knowledge of bocce ball and how it is played. Please practice with your athletes prior to attending the tournament. If you need assistance, or would like a bocce ball demonstration done with your athletes, or are in need of indoor bocce ball sets/chutes to borrow for training, please contact our office.

Scratches/Replacements

Please complete the Scratch/Replacement Sheet for any registered athletes **NOT** competing **when you arrive**. **We are no longer accepting additions.** However, if you have a non-registered athlete on the day of the tournament, they can compete in place of a scratched athlete with a similar ability level. Place the nametag labels (given at the event) of any non-competing athlete(s) in the "scratch" column and the name of the athlete replacing them in the "replacement" column.

Spectators

We encourage parents and administrators to attend this tournament. We discourage non-competing students from attending this event as a result of limited space at the event and on the bus. We appreciate your cooperation.

Please feel free to call our office at (414) 647-6060 with any questions or concerns!



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