

Springfield Public Schools



Community Education

Winter/Spring 2015

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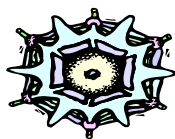
ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Community Education Advisory Council works with the Community Education Director and Coordinator to offer a variety of classes of interest to the people of all ages throughout the district.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Unless stated otherwise, all classes require a minimum of six prepaid participants at least one week prior to the date of the first class session.



Registration Procedure

Pre-registration is a necessity!

Registration is not complete unless accompanied by payment.

For each class that you are registering for, write a check payable to Springfield Community Education. Complete the registration form (on the back page) and mail along with your check(s) to:



Springfield Community Education
12 South Burns Avenue
Springfield, MN 56087

- FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE after the first class, except in an emergency.
- To cancel, call the Community Education office at 723-4283 at least 24 hours prior to the start of class. Please call between 8:30 am and 3 pm.

Cancellation Policy

Classes may be cancelled because of lack of enrollment. In this case, you will be notified and your check returned to you. If class is cancelled because of inclement weather you will be notified prior to the class starting time and the class will be rescheduled at a later date.

Instructors Needed!

Springfield Community Education is continually looking for individuals who are willing to share their skills, hobbies, and talents with others. If you, or know someone who might be interested in instructing a class, please contact the Community Education Coordinator at 507-723-4283.

Adult Basic Education Program/GED

This program is offered to adults ages 16 and older, not in school. These area classes for adults who did not graduate and want to earn a certificate equal to a high school diploma. Subject areas include science, social studies, reading, writing skills and math. Individuals will work at their own pace and in the areas and goals of their choosing. The classes are free of charge and held at the school in the evenings through out the school year. Contact Peggy Larson at 723-4288 for more information.

“55 Alive” Defensive Driving

These courses are for people age 55 and older who can receive a discount on their auto insurance by completing the course. First time students must take an eight-hour course, but repeat students can take a four-hour refresher course to qualify for the discount. Please be sure to include your driver’s license number and date of birth on your registration.

4 Hour Course

When: Tuesday, Feb. 24, 2015

Time: 12 noon—4pm

Where: Springfield Community Center

Instructor: Kathy Pederson

Cost: \$20.00

Registration Deadline: Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2015

8 Hour Course

When: Monday, Mar. 30 & Tuesday, Mar. 31, 2015

Time: 5-9 pm each night

Where: SPS, Media Center

Instructor: Kathy Pederson

Cost: \$25.00

Registration Deadline: Monday, March 23, 2015



4 Hour Course

When: Tuesday, April 7, 2015

Time: 5-9 pm

Where: SPS, Media Center

Instructor: Kathy Pederson

Cost: \$20.00

Registration Deadline: Tuesday, March 31, 2015



“Senior Surf” Computer Class

The Minnesota River Area Agency on Aging®, Inc. will be offering a “Senior Surf Day” class on **Tues., February 10, 2015** from 3:30 to 5:30

p.m. at Springfield Elem. School, Elem. Computer Lab. Senior Surf Day is a FREE class for older adults who would like to learn the basics of operating a computer. You must pre-register to attend and class size is limited. Registration deadline is Tuesday, February 3, 2015.



An Introduction to Essential Oils!

Research suggests that most viruses, fungi and bacteria cannot live in the presence of many essential oils. With many more health challenges facing people both young and old.....Come and discover alternative ways to promote physical, emotional and spiritual well being in the body. Get a sample to take home! **Monday, Feb. 2, 2015** at 7 pm in SPS, room C123. Cost is \$15.00. Instructor: Suzie Winkelmann. Register by Wednesday, January 28, 2015.

Getting Started as an Investor

This class will introduce students to the world of investing. It will cover the variety of different kinds of investments, the types of investment accounts, factors to consider when investing, and how investment choices vary depending upon the age and life circumstances of the investor. It will discuss terminology, strategy, and how investments fit within the entire financial picture of our lives. **Thursday, February 26, 2015** at 6:30pm at SPS, Media Center. Instructor: Bob Skillings – Financial Advisor at SouthPoint Federal Credit Union. Class is FREE, but registration is required by Friday, February 20, 2015.



Identity Theft

Most people think it won’t happen to them. You’ve worked hard all your life, don’t let someone steal your identity and money! In this class, you will learn about the details and red flags of identity theft and the many ways to protect yourself from becoming a victim and what steps to take if your identity has been compromised. Bring your questions! **Monday, February 9, 2015** at 6:30 pm at SPS, Media Center. Class is sponsored by SouthPoint Federal Credit Union. Class is FREE, but registration is required by Monday, February 2, 2015.

"Welcome to Medicare" *Everything you ever wanted to know, but were afraid to ask!*



The Minnesota River Area Agency on Aging®, Inc. will be teaching an introductory class on Medicare. If you are getting ready to turn 65, new to Medicare, or just want information about your benefits this class is for you! It is FREE. The class will be held at Springfield Elem. School, Elem. Computer Lab on **Thursday, February 19, 2015** from 3:30—5:00 p.m. You must pre-register to attend and class size is limited. Registration deadline is Thursday, February 12, 2015.

Android Smart Phone 101

Do you have an Android smart phone? Do you wish you knew more about how to use your phone so you could take advantage of all the smart things it can do? This class explains what Android is, what it does, how to customize your phone, reviews some of the apps that came with your phone, and how to purchase and download new apps. Bring your questions! **Saturday, Feb. 7, 2015** from 9-10am at SPS, room C123. Cost is \$10.00. Instructor : Eric Schwarzrock. Register by Friday, January 30, 2015.



Nursing Homes, Taxes, and Probate...Oh My!

Taught by Certified Elder Law Attorney, Han-non T. Ford, the course is designed to give participants in the classroom setting increased understanding of the benefits and pitfalls of estate planning including information on how to avoid probate and wills. The benefits of estate planning through trusts, disability planning, and various power of attor-



ney while alive and able to make decisions independently. Information to protect assets in the event of nursing home placement and disability including Long Term Care Ins. and Medical Assistance. **Thurs., March 12, 2015** from 6:30-8:30pm at SPS, room C123. Cost is FREE, but registration is required. Register by Thurs., March 5, 2015.

Water Fitness



Springfield Community Education and Microtel Inn and Suites are teaming together to offer Water Fitness Classes.

Classes are held: Mornings: Tuesdays. 9-10 AM (currently full, call first!)

OR Evenings: Mondays, 6:05 - 7:05 PM, lead by volunteers.

Cost: \$40.00/10 classes

***If new to the evening program, please call Comm. Ed. first to make sure the classes are not full.

Painting Class!



Create a masterpiece as a trained artist guides you step by step through a complete painting.

This class is open to adults in all skill levels. All supplies and materials are provided (16 X 20 can-

vas, paint, brushes, apron, and easel.) All you have to do is show up and plan on a good time! **Tues., March 3, 2015** from 6:30-9:30 pm in SPS, Art Room. Cost: \$35/person. Minimum of 10/Maximum of 20 students. Instructor: Amanda Mathiowetz. Register by Tues., Feb. 24, 2015.

Arm Knit an Infinity Scarf



The name says it all! Instead of using needles to knit, you'll use your arms to cast on, knit, and bind off. With this quick and fun project, you'll create a loosely knitted, colorful infinity scarf. Great for beginners or expert knitters looking for a new technique. *Bring two skeins of bulky weight yarn in one color, or if you'd like a tweed look, bring two colors.* **Thursday, Feb. 5, 2015** from 6:30-8pm in SPS, Media Center. Cost is \$12.00. Instructors: Suzanne Silva and Roseanne Kaseforth. Class size is limited. Register by Thurs., Jan. 30, 2015.

What's Cookin'? Basic Cooking for Kids!

Enjoy a Saturday morning cooking with your friends! Students in grades 3-6 will learn basic cooking skills and prepare simple, delicious recipes. All classes are taught by Lucy Potter and will be held in the SPS, Family Consumer Science Room 9—11 am. Cost is \$5.50/class. Please write a separate check for each class.

Register early!

When: Sat. Jan. 31, Feb. 28, March 14 & April 11, 2015.

Registration Deadline: Register one week before each class.



ECFE—Early Childhood Family Education & School Readiness



The **2015 Winter ECFE & School Readiness kickoff will be Thursday, January 8, 2015** from 5:30-6:30 pm featuring the *“Red Hat Granny Readers!”* Regular classes meet January 12, 19 & 26, Feb. 2 & 9, 2015. Watch for the Winter ECFE Brochure mailing the week of January 2, 2015 for more details!

ECFE and Learning Readiness Classes are sponsored by the Springfield Public School and Community Education. Classes are held late afternoons and evenings in the preschool classrooms. The Early Childhood teacher designs crafts, activities, learning games, stories, songs, circle time, etc., which promote social, emotional, physical and intellectual growth. Parents(s) attend these classes with their children. During the last half of each class session, the parent(s) attend an educational session and discussion group, facilitated by the Parent Educator. **Call Springfield Elementary School for more information about classes & to register at 507-723-4286.**



Many initiatives are offered through Brown County Area United Way. One of the long standing programs has been the Youth Activities Scholarship Program. Young people ages 4-18 whose family income is insufficient to meet the activity and equipment fees, are eligible.

Call 507-354-6512 OR visit: www.unitedwaybrowncountyarea.org

Springfield Community Education REGISTRATION FORM

Make checks payable to: Springfield Community Education

Mail to: Springfield Community Education
12 South Burns Avenue, Springfield, MN 56087

Please write a separate check for each registered class.

Name _____ Home Phone _____

Address _____ Work/Cell Phone _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Class Name: _____ Fee: _____

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(The following information is ONLY needed for the Defensive Driving Classes.)

Date of Birth _____ Driver's License # _____