



Mudsock Pickleball Spring 2024 Information



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The Mudsock Pickleball recreational league is open to all participants in grades 5th – 10th. The league is designed to teach fundamental pickleball skills that participants can build on throughout their years in the program and foster a love for a game that extends years beyond their youth.

Registration Fees

Open spring registration will be held during the month of January 2024. Registration will be accepted online at myathletics.com. Spring fees (early bird pricing) will be as follows:

- **5th – 10th grade (\$100)**
**Paddles will be available to rent to participants who do not have them that will be an additional cost or require a deposit.*

There will be a multi-player discount available for families registering three or more children. Early bird pricing will be available during the month of January. Beginning February 1st, registration fees will increase.

Refund Policy

For the fall 2023 season, the refund policy will be as follows:

January 1 – February 15th – Refund after \$38 non-refundable fee

February 16th – March 15th – 50% refund after the \$38 non-refundable fee

March 16th – March 31st – 25% refund after the \$38 non-refundable fee

After March 31st – No refund

Any additional fees incurred for registration completed after January 31st are also non-refundable.

Season Overview

The pickleball season runs from April 22nd through June 17th. The schedule will be oriented so that participants who are signed up for another spring sport can do both.

Practices/Games

Practices take place once per week with most games occurring on the weekend. Days and times will become more firm once we have a better idea on registration numbers. Practices will be an hour long and match day will be scheduled for an hour, but depending on the results, it may be quicker. Please note that while we'd love to have a schedule that fits into everyone's desired day/time, we are subject to the availability of city/school courts.

Based on numbers, the participants will be grouped by skill level and have a chance to compete in a singles and doubles environment. We'd like to offer a team pickleball format, but the emphasis will be on teaching the fundamentals and getting all participants to the point of comfort in match play by the end of the season.

Uniforms

Every participant will receive a Mudsock Pickleball shirt as part of their registration. Participants should attend practices/games with athletic shoes and clothing. Participants will be encouraged to wear their Mudsock Pickleball shirts on "match" day.



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FAQs

What is pickleball?

A racquet-based game that is played on a level court with short-handled paddles and a perforated plastic ball volleyed over a low net by two players or pairs of players. Imagine a perfectly designed sport that marries tennis and table tennis into a fast-paced, highly addictive game.

Who are the coaches?

We rely on parent/guardian volunteers, like other Mudsock Youth Athletics leagues. We invite parents/guardians who already play pickleball to sign up to be a coach. While our board is comprised of many individuals who love to play, we welcome the assistance and experience of all ages and skills.

Do you take requests?

You may add a request in the comments section of your online registration form at myathletics.com. Please note, we do not guarantee requests.

My participant doesn't fall within the age group, can they still play?

Please reach out to info@myathletics.com for more information on this. While we'd love to accept players of all ages, we want to ensure that there are enough coaches and that a competitive balance is maintained.



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