



Mudsock Pickleball Spring 2026 Information



As a family-owned company, Meijer aims to enrich the lives of families in the communities we serve and help ensure they are great places to live, work and play. Meijer is honored to partner with Mudsock Youth Athletics in its mission of bringing sports to local kids and support them in learning valuable life skills, building friendships, getting active and, most importantly, having fun!

The Mudsock Youth Pickleball league is designed to promote, encourage, and advance youth pickleball by creating opportunities for athletes in grades 5th- 8th to compete, learn and grow in a positive and educational environment. Players will learn foundational pickleball skills and have the opportunity to apply those skills in a competitive match setting. The 2026 season will run for 6 weeks as a combination of skills clinics and game play. The goal of Mudsock Youth Pickleball is to teach fundamental pickleball skills that participants can build on throughout their years in the program and foster a love for the game that extends beyond their youth.

Registration Fees

Open spring registration will be held during the month of January 2026. Registration will be accepted online at myathletics.com. Spring fees (early bird pricing) will be as follows:

- **5th – 8th grade (\$200)**
*24/7 Dink will have paddles for use.

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, and waitlists may begin forming at any time.

Refund Policy

For the spring 2026 season, the refund policy will be as follows:

January 1 – February 15th – Refund after the \$50 non-refundable fee

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

March 16th – March 31st – 25% refund after the \$50 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 will run from late-May through June. The schedule will be oriented so that participants can attend clinics after school hours in May and compete in weekday match play during the month of June. Clinics and Matches will take place at the 24/7 Dink facility located at 12520 E 116th St. Depending on the availability of indoor courts at 24/7 Dink, the league will do their best to work with community partners to secure court space for participants.

Practices/Games

Clinics will be held after school hours in May. League play will run through the month of June, where participants will be scheduled once a week to compete in matches with similarly skilled competitors. Match play will be held one evening per week. Days and times will be set once the board reviews registration.

Participants will be grouped by skill level and have a chance to compete in a double's environment.

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.

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. Unlike other leagues, we will have instructors to help map out the content of our clinics. For our league, a pickleball coach's role is to oversee the logistics of each session. While our board is comprised of many individuals who love to play, we welcome the assistance and experience of the community.

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. Players will be assessed and grouped by skill level, therefore requests to play with specific participants may not be able to be accommodated.

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 court space, and that a competitive balance is maintained.