

SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAMS

Soccer- Rivertowns United AYSO

- League;** AYSO – VIP (Special Needs)
- Registration link;** ayso.bluesombrero.com/region324
- Coordinator;** Gwen Jadge- email allwsontherun@aol.com
- Information;** Each child is buddied with a high school mentor to assist them through the practice/games. There are 2 coaches per team; volunteer parents of children on the team.
- Day and Time;** Sundays at 3pm
- Season;** September to November
- Location/Field;** Ardsley Middle School
- Cost;** \$182.50 (\$155 early bird discount register by July 31st)

Baseball- Ardsley Little League

- League;** Ardsley Challengers (Special Needs Program)
- Registration link;** ardsleylittleleague.com
- Coordinator;** Gwen Jadge- email allwsontherun@aol.com
- Information;** Each child is buddied with a high school mentor to assist them through the practice/games. There are 2 coaches per team; volunteer parents of children on the team.
- Day and Time;** Sunday at 3pm
- Season;** April to June
- Location/ Field;** McDowell Park in Ardsley
- Cost;** \$200

Basketball- Greenburgh Parks and Recreation

- Registration;** Fill out Registration form by calling Greenburgh Parks and Recreation Noel 914-693-8985 ext. 128
- Coordinator;** Gwen Jadge- email allwsontherun@aol.com
- Information;** Each child is buddied with a high school mentor to assist them through the practice/games. There are 2 coaches per team; volunteer parents of children on the team.
- Day and Time;** Sundays at 3:00pm
- Season;** January to March
- Location/ Court;** Ardsley Middle School
- Cost;** \$108

Backyard Sports

- Registration: Contact: Danny Bernstein, <http://www.byardsports.com/>**
- Information;** The BYS Program offers Special Needs children a safe and appropriately competitive program to learn and enjoy team sports. The activities focus on athletic development skills while stressing the proper behaviors required for optimal group cooperation. Staffed by outstanding coaches and MS/HS peer mentors (Volunteers Needed). Professionally designed curriculum. Program builds skills, confidence, self-esteem, and a lifetime devotion to sports and fitness. Praised by parents and professionals as one of Westchester's leading Special Needs Sport Programs
- Location:** various
- Dates:** see website <http://www.byardsports.com/>

JCC of Mid-Westchester

- <https://jccmw.org/>**
- Sunday/Funday –** Pre-K to 12 year olds- Join us for an all-inclusive social skilled based program which is carried out through programming in sports/recreation, art, music, theatre and creative movement. Sunday/Funday provides an opportunity for your child to cultivate friendships with other participants and further develop their social skills. Groups will be divided by ability and age and integrated when applicable. Groups are overseen by staff educators with the assistance of teen volunteers. Specialty classes are facilitated by skilled instructors. Call Director, Mara Roberge to register today at 914-472-3300 x361. Please ask about our complimentary 'trial' class where your child can be evaluated to see if the program would be beneficial.

- ❑ **Tai Chi** – Parent & Child Class – Sundays *Ages 7-16, by permission of the Director*. A certified instructor will introduce you and your child to the basic tenets of Tai Chi, which has been proven to improve balance, flexibility and muscle strength. The small class offers special, individualized attention. All levels included. Call Director, Mara Roberge to register today at 914-472-3300 x361.
- ❑ **Dance Therapy** – Wednesday afternoons- *Ages 6-10*. This class is for boys and girls with developmental disabilities who enjoy dance and would benefit from a creative movement program that supports social, emotional, and motor growth. This class is taught by a Dance Therapist. Call Director, Mara Roberge to register at 914-472-3300 x361.

Swim Angelfish- Swimming Lessons

- ❑ **Registration;** Erin Saunders #203-545-0024- swimangelfish.com
- ❑ **Location;** Tarrytown or White Plains
- ❑ **Dates;** Based on availability
- ❑ **Times;** Based on availability

Religion- Annunciation – Our Lady of Fatima Parish

- ❑ **Special Needs Coordinator:** Doreen Napolitano- afsnrelic@gmail.com
- ❑ **Day and Time;** Tuesday or Thursdays 4:30 p.m.
- ❑ **Location;** Pope Francis Mercy Center, 5 Strathmore Road Scarsdale, NY- right next door to OLF Church
- ❑ **Cost;** \$225 (1 child), \$300 (2 children)

South East Consortium - <http://www.secrec.org/programs.html>

- ❑ The mission of the South East Consortium is to effectively develop and implement a balanced and comprehensive schedule of therapeutic recreation and leisure-related services that strive to meet the interests and needs of children and adults with disabilities and special needs.
- ❑ Various programs and location see website for more information and eligibility.

Greenburgh Special Recreation- <https://www.greenburghny.com/637/Special-Recreation>

- ❑ The Greenburgh Parks and Recreation Department, in cooperation with the New York State Office for People with Developmental Disabilities, offers a variety of recreation programs for persons with developmental disabilities. Developmental disabilities include intellectual disabilities, cerebral palsy, Down syndrome and other neurological impairments.
- ❑ The Town has made a progressive step in providing programs and services for individuals with developmental disabilities. Under the Department of Parks and Recreation, a full-time Director of Special Recreation, Noel Broccoli, administers and coordinate activities for residents who are disabled in the unincorporated area of Greenburgh and the incorporated Villages of Ardsley, Dobbs Ferry, Elmsford, Hastings, Irvington, and Tarrytown. The Director is the Recreation Inclusion Officer for all concerns regarding disabilities.
- ❑ The Town and the six incorporated Villages have entered into an inter-municipal agreement to share facilities and resources for providing therapeutic recreation activities for our developmentally disabled residents.
- ❑ For more information, please contact Noel Broccoli at 914-989-1815 or by email at nbroccoli@greenburghny.com

Eastchester Little League- <https://www.eastchesterll.org/page/show/1515775-challenger-league>

- ❑ **What is the Little League Challenger Program?** The Little League Challenger Program is Little League's adaptive baseball program for individuals with physical and intellectual challenges.
- ❑ **Who can participate in the Little League Challenger Program?** Any individual with a physical or intellectual challenge may participate. If an individual can participate in the traditional Little League Baseball or Softball program with reasonable accommodations they should do so. The Eastchester Little League Challenger Division accommodates players ages 4-12.
- ❑ Little League International encourages the use of "buddies" for the Challenger players. The buddies assist the Challenger players on the field, but whenever possible, encourage the players to bat and make plays by themselves. The buddy is always nearby to help when needed.
- ❑ **Games & Schedule:** These games will take place on Sunday mornings from late April through late June (similar to T-ball). All children registered will receive a full uniform.
- ❑ **QUESTIONS? Please Contact:** Ian Fairclough/ Email: ijfairclough@gmail.com