

Montgomery Parks Fee Reduction Program

Montgomery Parks is committed to serving the needs of all residents of Montgomery County and recognizes that many residents are financially unable to participate in the activities and programs offered at our fee-based facilities. Therefore, we have established a Fee Reduction Program so these programs are available to as many county residents as possible.

The Fee Reduction Program offers two ways to save.

- Part 1 – Half-off a class, camp, lesson, or program
- Part 2 – Half-off admission coupons to some of our facilities

The fee reduction is awarded based on a family receiving eligible outside public assistance.

The award is only open to Montgomery County residents and proof of residency is required. Applications are approved on a seasonal basis for certain classes, camps, lessons, or programs. As a general guideline, only one application will be approved per family, per season. Programs and class offerings are on a “first-come, first-served” basis, and are subject to space availability.

There are many programs, activities, and events throughout the year offered in our parks, nature centers, and facilities that are free. Go to the [Montgomery Parks](https://montgomeryparks.org) website and view all the activities and upcoming events offered in “The Guide” each season.

For a current copy of “The Guide” visit <https://montgomeryparks.org/classes-camps/>

Of course, enjoying our outdoor spaces, playgrounds, and the beauty of our parks is always free!

Part 1 – 50% Fee Reduction for a Class, Camp, Lesson, Program

How To Apply

- An application for a 50% fee reduction to the programs listed below must be submitted to the facility administering the program.
- You may submit your application at the facility during regular business hours, Monday through Friday.
- The facility manager will review the application.
- If approved, you may register for the program in person when registration opens.
- Each approved person will be permitted one program, lesson, class, or camp per season (Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter).
- Applicants for fee reduction must compete for space in a program, class, etc., on a first-come, first-served basis the same as anyone else.

Eligible Facilities / Programs for Fee Reduction

Camps

Archaeology, Summer Fun Ice Skating Camp, “Cool” Summer Ice Skating Camp, Totally Tennis, Golf & So Much More, Week in the Park (only one camp session per applicant each summer).

Not all nature center camps are eligible for fee reduction. Check with the facility to confirm the eligibility of the programs you are interested in.

Group Lessons

Ice Skating courses (Preschool Ice Skating 1, Preschool Ice Skating 2, Preschool Ice Skating 3, Youth Ice Skating 1, Youth Ice Skating 2, Youth Ice Skating 3, Teen and Adult Ice Skating 1, Therapeutic Ice Skating 1), Tennis courses (Beginner and Intermediate only.)

Programs

Brookside Gardens and Nature Centers

Not all Nature Center programs are eligible for fee reduction. Check with the hosting facility to confirm the eligibility of the programs you are interested in.

Facilities With Classes, Camps or Programs Eligible for Fee Reduction

Facility Name	Phone Number
Black Hill Visitors Center	(301) 528-3492
Brookside Gardens	(301) 962-1400
Brookside Nature Center	(301) 962-1480
Cabin John Ice Rink	(301) 765-8620
Locust Grove Nature Center	(301) 765-8660
Maydale Nature Classroom	(301) 962-1487
Meadowside Nature Center	(301) 258-4030
Needwood Mansion	(301) 563-7530
Pauline Betz Addie Tennis at Cabin John	(301) 765-8650
South Germantown Driving Range	(301) 670-4670
Wheaton Ice Arena	(301) 905-3000
Wheaton Tennis	(301) 905-3030
Wheaton Sports Pavilion	(301) 905-3070

Part 2 – Half-Off Admission Coupons

Coupon books of three discount tickets each will be issued on a seasonal basis to the head of the household once the application is approved. After approval, allow up to 2 weeks to process and deliver coupon books. Tickets are non-transferable and are good for any one of the following:

Admission Coupon Discount – 50% off one admission for:

- A train ride at Cabin John Regional Park or Wheaton Regional Park
- A carousel ride at Wheaton Regional Park
- An hour boat rental or pontoon boat ride at Lake Needwood or Black Hill Regional Park
- A general skating session at Cabin John Ice Rink or Wheaton Ice Rink (Skate Rental not included)
- The Splash Park or Miniature Golf Course at South Germantown Recreational Park
- A regular bucket of balls at the South Germantown Driving Range
- A non-electric campsite at Little Bennett Campground

Apply for an Admission Discount Coupon Book

- After you complete the application, you can email the application to Seneca House Office.
- Drop off the application Monday through Friday at the Seneca House Office.
- Mail the application to our Seneca House Office

Mail, Drop-off, or Email Applications for Admission Discount Coupons Only:

M-NCPPC, Enterprise Division Seneca House
Attention: Fee Reduction Program
14500-B Clopper Rd. Boyds, MD 20841
301-670-3293
Email: info@ActiveMONTGOMERY.org

Montgomery Parks Fee Reduction Application

To Be Completed by All Applicants

Date: _____

Applicant's Name: _____ Applicant's Date of Birth: _____

Applicant's Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Name of children in household you are applying for Fee Reduction (Under 18)	Child's birth date	Activity Number (Class, camp, lesson, program)	Applying for Coupon Book Yes / No

Important - You must provide the following documentation:

Proof of Montgomery County Residency **AND** one (1) of the following:

- Proof of assistance from the Department of Social Services
- Eligibility by the Montgomery County Department of Recreation
- Verification of SSI (current year)
- Proof you (or you and your dependents) reside in a shelter.

(Letter from the shelter dated within a month of your application, if applicable, list your dependents living with you)

Proof of Rental Assistance (Public Housing, HUD, Sec 8, HOC)

I certify that the above information is true and correct. (False information may lead to dismissal from the program).

Applicant's Signature: _____

DEPARTMENT USE ONLY

Approved By: _____ Facility/Location: _____

Type of Proof Provided: _____

Date Approved: _____ (If not approved, explain): _____

of Coupon Books Issued: ___ Serial #(s): _____