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## Basketball Reserve Groups Hit Record Numbers



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**A**s winter takes hold of the Chicagoland area, more and more people are taking advantage of the court specials at Windy City Fieldhouse. This season, basketball reserve groups have hit record sales numbers, leaving limited spots left.

"Even though we are close to capacity on some days, we still have limited openings for groups that act quickly," says Jocelyn Diehl, WCF sales manager. "The process is simple and only takes a few minutes."

Don't go stir crazy this winter just staying in. Beat the cold weather and gloomy days by reserving your very own day and time to play basketball all winter long! Groups find that a weekly court slot is a great way to beat cabin fever, exercise and spend quality time with friends and coworkers.

"We have been playing at Windy City for several years now," says Paolo Rocca, FDR Investments. "WCF is convenient and easy for our group with such hectic schedules, it is great to have a set time each week for my friends to get together and play."

Basketball not your sport? WCF offers a variety of other sports including soccer, volleyball, rugby, lacrosse, football, floor hockey and roller hockey. WCF's indoor batting cage is also a great way to keep your baseball and softball team hitting year-round. WCF offers a variety of payment plans to make it easy to get your group involved.

Weekly reserve group slots are filled on a first-come, first-serve basis. Do not delay – call today to get your group into action this winter. For more information, please contact Jocelyn (jocelyn@windycityfieldhouse.com) at 773-486-7421.



# Where's The Party? WCF Does It All!

**W**CF is Chicago's premier location for hosting memorable parties and celebrations of any kind. Parties at WCF are action-packed, entertaining and hassle-free as WCF birthday party experts plan and manage a fun and interactive day that includes a multitude of sports, activities and party themes.

Whether it is a birthday, bar mitzvah, family reunion, or any occasion, WCF party packages are customized for all ages. Adults and children choose from basketball, volleyball, soccer, football, floor/roller hockey, a batting cage (for baseball or softball), capture the flag, dodgeball, kickball, whiffle ball and more. The facility's private party areas overlook the playing areas and a kitchen is available for the coordination of food, cake, ice cream, soft drinks and snacks. WCF also provides party specialists during the event to set-up, organize, coach and referee teams. Best of all, the kids go home exhausted and WCF's staff cleans up.



WCF family events are fun for all ages.

## OFFSITE PARTIES

WCF offers the same detailed party planning and coordination at offsite locations of your choice or even at the convenience of your own home. Party locations include local park districts, backyards, condos and other locations such as the Menomonee Club. For in-home parties, WCF event specialists arrive at your home 30 minutes prior to the start time to help set up for the event. After coordinating the entire event, WCF specialists even stay 30 minutes afterward to help clean up.

"People choose WCF because we care about the family environment and making adults and children feel special," explains Rina Yoritimi, WCF party manager. "We are thrilled we can bring the same standard of excellence we have for parties held at WCF to other locations such as the family's very own home."

For more information on celebrations of any kind at the location of your choice including WCF, contact Rina Yoritimi (rina@windcityfieldhouse.com) at (773) 486-7416.

### Call Now to Book a Themed Party:

- Princess Party
- Dance Party with a Chicago Luvabulls Dancer
- The Ultimate Sports Package
- AND MORE!

# Exciting Winter Leagues Heat Up

**F**or those who are looking to exercise their competitive edge this winter, WCF is proud to be Chicago's best facility for action-packed sports and recreational leagues.



This winter, WCF offers basketball, floor hockey and dodgeball leagues beginning January 30th (Apr 3 for dodgeball). Leagues are scheduled throughout the week, allowing customers to find a league that fits within their busy schedules. They include **FREE T-SHIRTS\*** (limit 10 per team) and a seven-week regular season with two weeks of playoffs. Certified (patched) referees\* are provided for each game, and championship prizes are provided. Updated standings and schedules are posted weekly within the facility and on the WCF website [www.windcityfieldhouse.com](http://www.windcityfieldhouse.com).

"Our customers deserve the best when it comes to recreational sports," says Chuck Dawson, WCF assistant manager. "That is why we offer such variety, utilize certified/patched refs, and partner with elite and established sports groups to meet our customers' needs."

## STARTING SOON:

Sport	Day	Start Date	Game Time
Basketball	Sundays	January 30th	2:00 pm to 11:00 pm
Floor Hockey	Sundays	January 30th	6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

## FUTURE LEAGUES:

Basketball	Fridays	February 18th	6:00 pm to 9:00 pm
	Mondays	March 21st	6:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Dodgeball	Sundays	April 3rd	3:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Volleyball	Mondays	April 4th	6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

## FREE LEAGUE T-SHIRTS \* • REGISTER ONLINE

\* Basketball leagues only



WCF welcomes both individuals and teams into its many sports leagues. Leagues fill up quickly so be sure to sign up for your desired league time today. For more information, please contact Chuck (chuck@windcityfieldhouse.com) at (773) 486-7423.

## ADDITIONAL LEAGUE OPTIONS

If you are looking for alternative sports, dates or times, contact our partners at Sports Monster ([www.sportsmonster.com](http://www.sportsmonster.com)) or Players Sports and Social Club ([www.playerssports.net](http://www.playerssports.net)) for additional options.

# FOCUS ON YOUTH:

## Windy City Sports Academy Mid-Winter Programs

Due to high levels of interest and enrollment, the Windy City Sports Academy continues to offer its Mid-Winter Program, starting January 24th thru March 31st. Directed by Steve Duman, the Sports Academy enables children to strengthen their sports skills in a no pressure environment that is both structured and safe.

*New and Improved  
Baseball and Volleyball  
Programs*

"Children who take part in this program are given a unique opportunity to acquire new skills and develop confidence," says Steve Duman, program director. "The Sports Academy is different than other programs because it enables children to strengthen skills in a no pressure environment. The focus is placed on learning rather than winning."

The Mid-Winter program offers the same exciting and fun classes with some new and improved programs too. Classes available include a new and improved baseball program with a high school baseball clinic and a baseball pitching clinic. Also available is a new youth volleyball program called Volleykidz® along with soccer clinics, basketball clinics, youth sports programs, pee wee and tiny tot programs and many more.

"I am thrilled that I have found such a fantastic program for my son to be a part of," says Jeanne Hepding, parent. "The coach to participant ratio is small enough that every participant receives the appropriate amount of one-on-one attention. Furthermore, the program provides a structured and safe environment for my son to learn in and he has a great time during each and every session. It is all he talks about anymore!"

### SUMMER CAMPS

This summer WCSA will be offering a variety of week-long sports camps for children ages 3-14. The camps feature local area coaches, guest speakers, league/tournament play, contests and prizes. Available sports camps for this summer include the following:

CAMP	DATES	TIME	BOYS	GIRLS	AGES
Girls Basketball Camp <i>New!</i>	June 20-24	9:00AM - 1:00PM		X	7-14
Basketball Skills Camp	Aug. 15-19	9:00AM - 1:00PM	X	X	7-14
Pee-Wee Basketball Camp	Aug 15-19	9:00AM - 11:00AM	X	X	4-6
Summer Sports Camp	Aug 22-26	9:00AM - 1:00PM	X	X	7-14
Tiny Tots Sports in The Park** <i>Outdoor!</i>	June 13-17 Aug 22-25 Aug 29-Sept 1	10:00AM - 12:30PM	X	X	4-6

\*\* 3 separate sections. Offsite outdoor location: New City YMCA.

A full description of each program is available at [www.windycityfieldhouse.com](http://www.windycityfieldhouse.com). For more information or to sign your youngster up for one of these fantastic programs, contact Steve ([steve@windycityfieldhouse.com](mailto:steve@windycityfieldhouse.com)) at (773) 486-7300, ext 555.

# 2005 Summer Outings – How To Pick the Best Event for Your Company

Many corporate clients are already thinking ahead and planning for their summer outings by choosing one of WCF's numerous outdoor programs. As a matter of fact, the number of summer outings already booked for 2005 is at a record pace. With an upward trend in early summer outing sales, WCF asks everyone to plan early for 2005 to make sure you get your optimum summer outing date and location.

"The volume of requests for dates and signed contracts is outpacing 2004 by far for new and repeat clients," says Murrel Karsh, WCF president.

"We are doing all we can to make sure our existing clients get the chance to pick their preferred date but some weekday and weekends are filled."

WCF sales experts lead clients through a detailed series of questions to confirm the company's goals and objectives for the event and ultimately determine the type of event required to achieve those goals.

"Our picnic was an overwhelming SUCCESS," says Jackie Harris, American Dental Association. "More than one employee has labeled it the 'best picnic ever.' Kudos to the management and staff of Windy City Fieldhouse."



In 2004, WCF executed more than 100 outdoor events – each a resounding success. Clients who want their best summer event ever can choose from several entertaining outings including:

- **Outdoor Picnics at several private Chicago or suburban locations**
- **"Mission Impossible" Scavenger Hunts**
- **Weekday "Backyard BBQ"**
- **Friday Night "Happy Hour"**
- **Lakefront Beach Party Bonanza**
- **Outdoor Olympics**

For more information on any of these programs, contact Chris ([chris@windycityfieldhouse.com](mailto:chris@windycityfieldhouse.com)) at (773) 486-7436.

*Call Now for a  
FREE Summer Event  
Planning Guide*

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**City or Suburbs**

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- Casino Nights
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- Indoor "Amazing Races"
- Construction Challenges
- And Much More!



*Team Building*



*Indoor "Amazing Races"*



*Corporate Picnics*

For a free CD-ROM or proposal, contact  
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**ATTENTION ATHLETES!**  
**FREE VISIT TO APG CLINIC**



**GOT PAIN?**  
*Want to get treatment on that old injury?*

Stop by the front desk at WCF to get a free Health Pass for any of APG's chicagoland locations. APG is offering WCF clients a **FREE** first visit to any APG clinic. The free visit consists of a one-on-one consultation with a physician as well as a mini-treatment on the area of discomfort (x-rays may be taken if medically necessary). APG is a physical medicine and rehabilitation group with clinics located in Chicago and the southwest suburbs.

For more information, stop by the WCF front desk or contact Kristyn Schmidt, Community Health Director, directly at (847) 927-0412.

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