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Parks Play Day Sunday, April 27 at Nathanael Greene/Close Memorial Park

Kids and families of all ages are invited to play games at Parks Play Day, Sunday, April 27, 1-3 p.m. on the Great Lawn at Nathanael Greene/Close Memorial Park, 2400 S. Scenic Ave., Springfield.

This day in the park is designed for families to play together and have fun while engaging in traditional sports and other outdoor games.

Traditional sports include introductory Touch Tennis, baseball, badminton, soccer and mini golf. Outdoor games include hopscotch, jump rope, Hula-Hoop, Giant Checkers, Giant Jenga and two Minute-to-Win-it challenges.

Youth participants (ages 4-18) are issued Play Day Passports. Those completing all 12 activities will earn a Play Day Certificate.

“By design, Parks Play Day encourages families to get outdoors, play together, be active and embrace a healthy lifestyle,” said Anne-Mary McGrath, Superintendent of Recreation for the Springfield-Greene County Park Board.

Admission is $10 per family, and proceeds benefit the Park Board’s Scholarship Fund, which provides sports and program fees for children 18 and under who meet income guidelines.

Parks Play Day is an outdoor event. In case of rain, check Parkboard.org for updates.

For more information, call the Springfield-Greene County Park Board at 417-864-1049. For media inquiries only, call Jenny Fillmer Edwards, Public Information Administrator for the Park Board, at 417-874-2176 or 417-224-5510.