



# Union Twp Schools PTA

## Tiger Clubs

Winter 2020

Register at [www.utspta.org](http://www.utspta.org)

- UTS PTA Members: Registration Opens on 12/18/2019 7pm
- Others: Registration Opens on 12/21/2019 9am
- Registration Closes on 1/1/2020
- First Week of Clubs—01/06/2020

Contact us with any questions: [utspta@gmail.com](mailto:utspta@gmail.com)



## Welcome Message

Dear UTES Parents,

Welcome back to another Tiger Club Session. We hope your child/ren will have a fantastic remainder of the school year in 2020, filled with educational, social and emotional growth opportunities. We have confidence that the clubs will add to all the possibilities with our winter's session choices. Our team worked diligently over the summer and fall to create a set of enrichment clubs that expose the students to new ideas, professions and arts.

We would like to thank our wonderful school administration, UTS PTA Officers and volunteers, vendors and mainly you, UTES parents, for the kind help, inspiration and cooperation.

*Yours truly,*

*Nurys, Rich and the UTS PTA Tiger Clubs*

## Winter 2020 Tiger Clubs Overview

Below is an overview of Union Township School PTA Winter Tiger Clubs, followed by brief descriptions and instructors' introduction. We hope the winter clubs will inspire all our UTS Tigers!

### Monday

3:30 – 4:30 pm **Hug a Tree Yoga** Library 1/6, 1/13, 1/27, 2/3, 2/10, 2/24 (no snow dates),  
Max 12 students, Grades K-4<sup>th</sup> Price \$50 (*optional add ons: \$5 yoga mat, \$10 tee shirt*)

### Tuesday

3:30 – 4:45 pm **Eyes of the Wild** Library 1/7, 1/14, 1/21, 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2/18, snow date 2/25  
Min 15 students, Max 20 students Grades K-4<sup>th</sup> Price \$90

3:30 – 4:45 pm **Young Rembrandts** Art Room 1/7, 1/14, 1/21, 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2/18, snow date 2/25  
Min 10 students, Max 15 students Grades K-4<sup>th</sup> Price \$85

### Thursday

3:30 – 4:30 pm **Ocean Conservation** Art Room 1/9, 1/16, 1/23, 1/30, 2/6, 2/13, snow date 2/20  
Grades K - 1st Max 20 students, Price \$15

3:30 - 4:40 pm **Martial Arts/Taekwondo**, Library 1/9, 1/16, 1/23, 1/30, 2/6,, snow date 2/13  
Grades K - 4th Min 10 students, Max 18 students, Price \$30

## Hug a Tree Yoga

Hug a Tree Yoga Club offers creative, gentle yoga sessions for your children. During the six week session, they will learn under the instruction of Mrs. Millie Winger. She will introduce gentle poses and postures as well as breathing techniques which will help to calm, energize, and balance the nervous system. They will also learn and practice flowing sequences, challenging poses, partner, and group poses, restorative yoga and relaxation. Sign up for Mondays and allow your children to experience the essence of yoga, the union of mind (thoughts and feelings) and physical body.

Millie Winger currently works as Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant at UTS, but also has more than 14 years of experience working as a certified teacher in the district. Mrs. Winger taught in our Kindergarten and Preschool programs as well as our Special Education Programs in grades K-8. In addition, she is an experienced yoga instructor, holding a "Grounded Kids Yoga Teacher" training certificate.

Club Days: **Mondays** (3:30-4:45 pm) -1/6, 1/13, 1/27, 2/3, 2/10, 2/24 (no snow dates), Max 12 students, Grades K-4<sup>th</sup> Price \$50 (optional add ons \$5 yoga mat, \$10 tee shirt)

## Young Rembrandts Art Club -

The most fun your child will have while learning! Step-by-step method teaches children to break complex objects into foundational shapes, building both sides of their brain. Child-friendly and relevant subject matter to spark interest and increase knowledge retention. Through the process of weekly instruction Young Rembrandts students are exposed to a wide variety of subject matter, artistic concepts, art history and mastery of their materials.

Club Days: **Tuesdays** (3:30-4:45 pm) -1/7, 1/14, 1/21, 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2/18, snow date 2/25 Min 10 students, Max 15 students Grades K-4<sup>th</sup> Price \$85

## Ocean Conservation Club

Ocean Conservation Club will be focused on rethinking single use plastics taught with stories and arts and crafts. Each week will focus on a specific ocean animal. For example Jellyfish and Turtles and Plastic Bags. Turtles often mistake plastic bags for jellyfish! Children would gain information on marine animals with crafts using recycled materials while at the same time learning about single use plastics.

They will also read stories about marine animals such as sharks, as well as pollution that affects them.

This club will be led by Marley Hoffman, a 2017 graduate from Union Township. She is currently a Junior at North Hunterdon High School and is working on her Girl Scout Gold Award, "Small Changes, BIG Impact", which focuses on rethinking single use plastics.

Club days **Thursdays**: 1/9, 1/16, 1/23, 1/30, 2/6, 2/13, snow date 2/20 Grades K - 1st Max 20 students, Price \$15

## Eyes of the Wild

One of our most popular clubs is back! All animal lovers and future veterinarians, look no further and sign up for our Eyes of the Wild Habitat Adventures Club! During the six weeks, we will learn about different types of habitats and the special adaptations creatures need to survive in

them. The children will be introduced to several different biomes, rainforests, deserts, grasslands, temperate forests and frozen tundra. Through live animal presentations and maybe an activity or two, we will explore each biome and learn what it is like to eke out a living in the desert, to survive at different levels of the rainforest and various other interesting things. Each week we will meet different live animals!

Eyes of the Wild is a well known and popular local company created by Travis W Gale in 2006 to share his knowledge and passion for wildlife through his LEAP Vision (Lean Enjoy Advocate and Protect). Travis has a Bachelor of Science in Biology and Education from the College of New Jersey. Prior to starting Eyes of the Wild, he worked as an environmental educator and instructor/program developer for Mad Science, Monmouth County Parks, and the New Egypt Schools, and others.

Club day **Tuesdays** 1/7, 1/14, 1/21, 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2/18, snow date 2/25, Min 15 students, Max 20 students Grades K-4<sup>th</sup> Price \$90

## **Martial Arts - Taekwondo**

This club will be an introduction to martial arts, self defense and taekwondo. The class will be taught by the award winning Impact Martial Arts Academy instructors.

The most popular martial art worldwide, Taekwondo is famous for its trademark kicks, strong angular movement and free-flowing circular movements that produce a balance of beauty and power. Taekwondo is characterized by its emphasis on head-height kicks, jumping and spinning kicks, and fast kicking techniques. The principle philosophy of Taekwondo has always stressed spiritual, moral and physical growth. Tae Kwon Do has evolved into not only the most effective method of self-defense, but also an intricate art, an exciting sport, and a method of maintaining outstanding physical fitness.

Many think breaking boards and bricks is what Tae Kwon Do is all about, but this is an erroneous concept. Such demonstrations merely show the tremendous speed and power the body is capable of through Tae Kwon Do. It is one of the best methods of achieving physical fitness since it utilizes almost every muscle of the body, thus making it a natural weight regulator by either taking off pounds or putting them on.

Club days **Thursdays** 1/9, 1/16, 1/23, 1/30, 2/6, snow date 2/13 Grades K - 4th Min 10 students, Max 18 students, Price \$30

## Minimum/Maximum Students

Each club has a minimum amount of sign ups needed to make the club able to happen financially as well as a maximum amount of students that the club organizer has set that will keep the club enjoyable for all.

If the minimum amount of students is not met, some clubs may not run and you will be refunded.

Clubs that are full will have a waitlist for the next in line that signed up if there are any cancelations.

## How to Register

In order to make registration as smooth and simple as possible, the UTS PTA offers an easy online registration process with three payment processing options:

- **PayPal** (there is an added 3% processing fee)
- **Venmo @UTSPTA** - you must put your contact information in the comment section or you may not be credited with your payment, we also recommend you setting your payment on “private” to not share this publicly
- **Check** to the school– labeled UTS PTA –Tiger Clubs

Registration link is distributed via email to all UTS PTA members on December 18, 2019 at 7pm. If you are not a member and would like to become one, please sign up for membership on [www.utspta.org](http://www.utspta.org) at your earliest convenience.

All UTES families can register via live link at [www.utspta.org](http://www.utspta.org) (under Sign Ups tab-Tiger Clubs) on December 21, 2019 at 9am. The registration will remain open for a few weeks and close on January 1st at 10 pm. No registrations will be accepted afterwards.

## Chaperones

Chaperones in the clubs are vital parts of our organization and added layer of security for your child/ren. Chaperones help with administrative tasks relating to the club such as conducting attendance and sign outs from the club. All chaperones have a unique opportunity to audit enrichment clubs of their children and help out in the classroom. A training is provided for all the chaperones to help them get familiar with the running of the clubs. All chaperones need to be PTA members and HIB trained.

We have been extremely lucky to have fantastic chaperones in our clubs in the past. We appreciate all the volunteers! You rocked and we **could not** have run the clubs without you!

The running of a club is conditioned by a chaperone’s presence. If you would like to serve as a chaperone in the club, please kindly indicate your availability during the registration process. We are grateful for your assistance. Thank you!

# **UTS PTA Refund Policy**

Refunds for events and Tiger Clubs must be requested before the last day of registration. This will allow others the opportunity to secure a spot in cases where the event or club is full.

Please submit your request for refund in writing to [utspta@gmail.com](mailto:utspta@gmail.com). State the following in your request:

1. Name, address and phone number
2. Reason for refund request
3. Total amount to be refunded

Payments made by cash, check or credit card will be refunded via check. Payments made through Paypal will be refunded via Paypal. PayPal fees may not be able to be refunded.

Please allow up to 30 days from the date of request for all refunds.

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