



JUNIOR PROGRAM CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

Little Skippers: This is intended for sailors who are ages 6-9 who are just starting to learn about sailing. This class will utilize the Bullseyes that the Junior Program has access to. This class is held Monday-Friday from 9:00am-11:30am.

Opti 1: This class introduces sailors to the Opti dinghy. Must be 8 years old at the time the class begins. Sailors will start in pairs and work towards sailing the Opti independently. This class is held Monday-Friday from 8:00am-11:00am.

Opti 2: This class is for those sailors who have successfully completed the skills taught in Opti 1. Sailors will be sailing the Opti independently and sharpening their sailing skills including but not limited to upwind sailing. This class is held Monday-Friday from 8:30am-11:30am.

420 I: This class is for sailors who have outgrown the Opti and would like to learn more about double-handed sailing in the 420. They will learn to control the main and the jib. Each sailor will practice as a skipper and a crew and will rotate partners. As the summer and skills progress, the sailors will be introduced to trapezing as a crew and fly the spinnaker. This class is held Monday-Friday from 8:30am-11:30am.

Opti Green Race: This class is for Opti sailors who have successfully completed Opti 2 and are interested in learning to race the Opti. They will be competing in the Opti Green Fleet at regattas. It is required that sailors register for 2 consecutive sessions. This class is held Monday-Friday from 12:00pm-4:00pm

Opti Race Team: This class is for Opti sailors who have successfully completed Opti Green Race (or have placed 1st at an Opti Green Race Event). These sailors will be competing in the Opti White, Opti Blue and Opti Red fleets at regattas. It is required that sailors register for 2 consecutive sessions. This class is held Monday-Friday from 12:00pm-4:00pm

420 Race Team: This is for sailors who have successfully completed the 420 I course and are starting to race the 420. They will compete at some local regattas throughout the summer depending on readiness which will be determined by the coach. It is required that sailors register for 2 consecutive sessions. It is highly encouraged for a sailor to be

registered for all 3 sessions as the 420 is a double-handed boat and events do not align perfectly with session dates. This class is held Monday-Friday from 12:30pm-4:30pm.

Explorer class: This class is geared towards those sailors ages 10-17 who have experience sailing and would like to hone in their seamanship skills. The Bullseye boat will be the primary boat of choice for this class, but may have options to use Optimist dinghies or 420s. This class is held Monday-Friday from 12:30pm-3:30pm.

If you are interested in helping with the explorer class, please email us at juniors@beverlyyachtclub.org.