

# PROGRAM GUIDE

## FALL 2017

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**BOYS & GIRLS CLUB**  
OF THE TRI-COUNTY AREA

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# ABOUT US

The Boys & Girls Club of the Tri-County Area provides young people ages 6-18 with a safe place to learn and grow after school and in the summertime. The Club inspires and enables young people to reach their full potential as productive, responsible and caring citizens.

## OUR MISSION

The Boys & Girls Club of the Tri-County Area improves the lives of children and families.

## OUR VISION

The Boys & Girls Club of the Tri-County Area will be a generation-changing leading provider of programs emphasizing youth development services and family outreach support to meet the needs of young people ages 6-18 and their families, especially those who need us most.

The Club is a safe place for me to go while my parents are at work. I have fun with my friends and love making projects in the art room.

Emily, 9



## HOURS OF OPERATION

The Club's school year programs begin on Friday, September 1, 2017. From September 1-29 the Club is open Monday-Friday from 3:00-6:00pm.

Starting October 2, 2017, Club hours for the school year will be as follows:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Youth Center	3:00-8:30pm	3:00-8:30pm	3:00-8:30pm	3:00-7:00pm	3:00-7:00pm
Teen Center	3:00-8:30pm	3:00-8:30pm	3:00-8:30pm	3:00-9:00pm	3:00-10:00pm



# CLUB FEES

## ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE

All annual memberships expire August 31st and must be renewed by September 1, 2017.

Annual membership fees are as follows:

\$25.00 for the 1st child

\$15.00 for the 2nd child

\$10.00 for each additional child

\*No family will pay more than \$50.00 for annual memberships\*

## SEMESTER FEE

Semester fees are due September 1st and January 1st.

\$50.00 per child

## SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Scholarships are available to any family who cannot afford the fees associated with Boys & Girls Club services. Verification of income will be required to determine eligibility directly related to household income and number of dependents. No child will be denied services for inability to pay.



# CLUB POLICIES & GUIDELINES

## LATE PICK UP POLICY

Please note our fall hours of operation and make sure that we have current emergency contact information on file for your child. There will be a fee of \$10.00 charged to your account for the first 15 minutes a child is picked up late and \$1.00 for each additional minute thereafter. Scholarships do not apply to late fees and children will not be able to attend programming until the late fee is paid.

## PBIS GUIDELINES

The Club follows PBIS (Positive Behaviors Interventions & Supports) guidelines and expectations. Our three core behavior expectations include: Safety, Respect, and Responsibility. The Club reserves the right to refuse, suspend, or terminate membership of any youth due to disrespectful or unsafe behavior to staff, volunteers or other members, or if their behavior does not allow them to function with others appropriately in our programs.

**Great bucks:** Youth who follow the Club's behavior expectations have the opportunity to earn "great bucks". Great bucks can be used to purchase items from the Club store during designated times.

**Youth of the Month:** Offers Club members the opportunity to showcase their leadership ability and be recognized among their peers.

# YOUTH PROGRAMS

The Boys & Girls Club of the Tri-County Area offers quality programs for youth ages 6-18. All of our programs are taught by caring professional staff and have been proven to be successful in thousands of Clubs nationwide. Our programs fall under three priority outcomes; Academic Success, Good Character & Leadership, and Healthy Lifestyles. These core areas are proven to address today's most pressing youth issues and assist in teaching young people the skills they need to succeed in life.

## Academic Success

What do you want to be when you grow up? No matter what a child wants to be, we want to help them build a strong foundation to realize their goals. Our programs allow young people to explore their options and reach their full potential.

**Money As You Grow Book Club:** Learn about money concepts through story times, crafts, and fun activities! Participants will receive a storybook, parent guide, and activity sheet. (In collaboration with UW Extension)

**Stride Academy:** Stride Academy is a web based learning program that incorporates math, reading and science into a fun gaming environment. The goal of the program is to improve STEM amongst Club members in first through eighth grade.

**STEM:** The Club offers a wide variety of STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) programming aimed at promoting innovation and creativity through hands on activities. Using a cross-disciplinary approach that channels young people's natural curiosity into the design process inherent in the arts, STEM programs empower youth to create new solutions to real-world challenges. This project-based approach develops critical thinking, problem solving and other 21st century skills critical to success in the STEM workforce and beyond.

**LEGO Robotics:** This beginner's robotics club will offer youth the chance to build and program LEGO robots using the LEGO WeDo 2.0 curriculum and technology. Youth will learn basic computer coding skills, as well as problem solving and math skills.



## Good Character & Leadership

Our goal is to provide programming that builds skills and empowers our youth for the future. These programs focus on community, sustaining meaningful relationships with others, developing a positive self-image, and respecting themselves and others.

**Kind Club:** Dedicated to making the world a better place by doing random acts of kindness for others. This Club encompasses lessons on giving through actions and words, through hands on activities to promote kindness with in the Club and in the community.

**Torch Club:** Torch Club provides a small-group leadership experience for boys and girls ages 11-13. It is a powerful vehicle through which Club staff can help meet the special character development needs of younger adolescents at a critical stage in their development. Torch Club members learn to elect officers and work together to implement activities in four areas: service to Club and community, education, health and fitness and social recreation..

**Boy Scouts:** (in collaboration with Boy Scouts of America)

**Girl Scouts:** (in collaboration with Girl Scouts)

## Healthy Lifestyles

Engaging youth in positive behaviors that nurture their own well-being, our health and life skills programs teach the importance of setting personal goals and developing skills to live successfully as self-sufficient people.

**Cooking Kids:** Food Preservation – Participants will learn to make raspberry jam, fresh garden salsa, and chocolate raspberry sauce in these hands-on educational sessions. Everyone will get to sample the recipes as well as take some home to share. (In collaboration with UW Extension)

**Young Chefs:** Participants will learn to make some easy snacks and meal items in three hands-on educational programs. All recipes can be easily adapted to a home kitchen with minimal or no adult supervision. (In collaboration with UW Extension)



**Mindfulness & Yoga:** Mindfulness is the practice of being present in what you are doing and being aware of the world around you. This program offers youth the opportunity to learn to be mindful through deep breathing exercises, meditation, and other mindful activities.

**Healthy Habits:** Healthy Habits curricula is designed to teach young people about the benefits of developing healthy habits such as eating smart and being physically active; equip young people with skills to adopt healthier habits by participating in fun and engaging learning activities both at the Club and at home; and encourage young people to take small steps toward positive behavior changes.



The Club Teen Center is a FREE place for teens ages 13-18 to hang out! The Club Teen Center offers a technology space, a lounge area, and a concessions area. The Club also features a large games room with a pool table, ping pong table, air hockey, arcade basketball, and tons of video games!

## TEEN PROGRAMS

**Keystone:** Provides teens (ages 14-18) a unique opportunity to develop their leadership skills through participation in activities both in and outside of the club. Keystone activities are centered around three core areas: academic success, career exploration, and community service.

**Career Launch:** Provides teens (ages 13-18) with practical training and information on how to prepare themselves for their future careers. Teens build their job readiness skills and have the opportunity to learn about various career paths as they research jobs through post-secondary school visits and through visiting local businesses.

**Mindfulness:** Mindfulness is the practice of being present in what you are doing and being aware of the world around you. This science based practice provides opportunity to learn more about yourself, reflect on your relationships and be present in the moment without judgement and with kindness.

### MIDDLE SCHOOL NIGHT SCHEDULE

**Middle school night is every Thursday from 6:00pm-9:00pm. Anyone in grades 6-8th are welcome and encouraged to attend.**

October 5: Games & bonfire

October 12: Glow Night

**October 19: No Middle School night (early release)**

October 26: Fear Factor

November 2: Scavenger hunt

November 9: Life Size Board Games

November 16: Talent Show

**November 23: Thanksgiving! Club is closed.**

November 30: Game Show Night

December 7: Minute to Win It!

December 14: Hunger Games

December 21: Middle School Holiday Party

**December 25 -January 1: Club is closed.**

January 4: Chocolate Olympics

January 11: Girls Night

January 18: Gaming Tournament

January 25: Angry Birds

### TEEN NIGHT SCHEDULE

**Teen night is every Friday from 6:00pm-10:00pm. Anyone ages 13-18 are welcome and encouraged to attend.**

October 6: Laser Tag

October 13: Movie Night

**October 20: No Teen night (no school)**

October 27: Murder Mystery

**November 3: Club is closed.**

November 10: Escape Room

November 17: Movie Night

**November 24: Club is closed (no school)**

December 1: Ice Skating Rink

December 8: Bubble Soccer

December 15: Canvas Painting

December 22: Christmas cookies & movie

**December 25 -January 1: Club is closed.**

January 5: Chopped Cooking Challenge

January 12: Movie Night

January 19: Skiing and Tubing Night

January 26: Survivor



## Late Start for Berlin Area School District Middle & High School Students (FREE)

The Club has partnered with the Berlin Area School District to provide convenience for parents and a safe place to be for youth, during the newly implemented Late Start School Days. In addition to Boys & Girls Club staff, this program will be staffed by paraprofessionals from the Berlin Area School District.

In accordance with the district calendar, the club will be open on Thursday mornings from 7:30am-8:40am. There will be 3-4 structured activities for students to engage in each week. Activities may include, but are not limited to; tutoring/homework help, art, cooking, STEM, drama, leadership, career exploration, college readiness, mindfulness, yoga and physical fitness activities. At 8:40am students will be transported to school where they will be offered breakfast before school starts at 9:00am.

For questions regarding Late Start please call Mindy at 920-361-2717 ext. 300.

## CLUB SERVICES

### MEAL PROGRAM

The Club provides free dinner and snack during the school year and breakfast, lunch, and dinner with funding from the SFSP and the USDA. In accordance with the Federal Law and U.S. Dept. of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability.

### WET HAIR CLUB

This program aims to help members meet their personal hygiene needs. Youth who are in the program may receive assistance with washing their clothes, receiving haircuts, and one on one assistance with meeting unmet needs. Members in this program are also able to shower at the Club.

