## PROGRAM 2018-2019 5CHOOL **GUIDE**

# YEAR

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## **ABOUT US**

The Boys & Girls 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 age 6-18 and their families, especially those who need us most.

"The Club helps me learn a lot. Also, it teaches people to be nice to other people."

Payton, 7

### HOURS OF OPERATION

The Club's school year programs begin on Tuesday, September 4, 2018. From September 4-28 the Club is open Monday-Friday 3:00-6:00 pm.

The Club will be closed: December 24, 2018-January 1, 2019

Starting October 1, 2018, Club hours for the school year will be as follows:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Youth Center	3:00-8:00	3:00-8:00	3:00-8:00	3:00-6:00	3:00-6:00
Teen Center	3:00-8:00	3:00-8:00	3:00-8:00	3:00-6:00	3:00-6:00
				6:00-8:00 *	6:00-10:00**

<sup>\*</sup>Teens are welcome to stay past 6:00 pm but will be required to participate in specific programs.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Please see Teen Night schedule

## **CLUB FEES**

#### ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE

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

Annual Membership fees\* are as follows:

\$25.00 for the 1st child

\$15.00 for the 2nd child

\$10.00 for the 3rd child

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

#### SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Scholarships are available to any family who cannot afford the fees associated with the 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.

#### **ADDITIONAL FEES**

## Semester Fees (due September 1st and January 2nd)

-\$50 per child (ages 6-12)

-FREE for teens (13-18)

#### Wednesday Late Start Fee

-\$50 for Middle School students for the entire school year or \$5 drop in fee -FREE for youth (ages 6-12)

#### **Early Release Days**

-Included in semester fee

#### **Non-School Days**

- \$5 per child (ages 6-12)

-FREE for teens (ages 13-18)

## **CLUB POLICIES & GUIDELINES**

#### LATE PICK UP POLICY

Please note our fall hours of operation and make sure we have current emergency contact information on file for your child. There will be a fee of \$10 charged to your account for the first 15 minutes a child is picked up late and \$1 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**

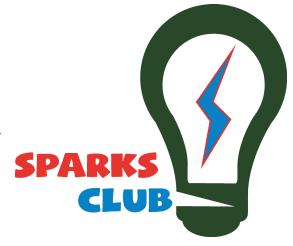
The Club follows PBIS (Positive Behaviors Interventions & Supports) guidelines and expectations. Our three core behavior expectations include: Safety, Respect and Responsibility. The Club reserves the right to refuse, suspend, or terminate membership of any youth due to disrespectful or unsafe behavior 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.

## **SPARKS CLUB**

#### What is Sparks Club?

With funds from the 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant, the Boys & Girls Club of the Tri-County Area in partnership with the Berlin Area School District, will again be offering, Sparks Club, an academic enrichment program for the 2018-19 school year. Sparks Club provides students additional hands-on learning opportunities with the goal of improving academic success and increasing family engagement.



#### When is Sparks Club offered?

Following the Berlin Area School District school calendar, Sparks Club runs Monday through Friday afterschool 3:30 pm—5:30 pm.

NEW THIS YEAR! Sparks Club will be offered for Wednesday Late Starts 6:45-8:45 am, on early release days 12:00-5:30 pm and on non-school days 9:00-5:30 pm.

#### What is the daily schedule each day after school?

Students receive transportation from school to the Club, an afterschool snack, and recreation time before diving into the academic enrichment activities. Enrichment activities include; STEAM, coding, gardening, yoga, strategic thinking board games, and service learning projects. The academic content is directly aligned with the state and BASD standards but delivered in a fun and interactive way by fully licensed day-school teachers. Students are required to participate in programming a minimum of 3 days per week. For families in need of transportation bussing will be provided home at 5:30pm.

#### Who can attend?

Any student who is a resident or Open Enrollee of the Berlin Area School District who is 6 years or older through 5th grade. Parochial students who live in the BASD are also welcome.

For additional questions please contact: Mindy Collado (920)361-2717 ext. 300 or by email <a href="mailto:mcollado@bgctric.org">mcollado@bgctric.org</a>.



## RECOGNITION

The Club recognizes and supports young people's self-worth and accomplishments. Staff members encourage youth and provide positive reinforcement as they make improvements and experience successes.

#### YOUTH OF THE MONTH

Each month, a Club member who has exhibited excellent behavior and citizenship at the Boys & Girls Club is chosen as Youth of the Month and recognized at the Club, in our monthly e-newsletter, on our marquee sign, and in the local newspaper.

#### JUNIOR YOUTH OF THE YEAR

Junior Youth of the Year seeks to develop junior leaders ages 10-13 within the Club environment. The program fosters Club members' emerging leadership abilities while preparing them for later participation in the Youth of the Year program. In addition to recognizing the leadership achievements of Club youth, Junior Youth of the Year also cultivates their leadership potential, providing the foundation they need for advanced leadership development, academic excellence and postsecondary success. Through this program, Club youth become motivated to seek opportunities for leadership and to act as responsible citizens and change agents .

Each child recognized throughout the year is invited to attend our Youth of the Year Dinner Celebration!

#### YOUTH OF THE YEAR

Youth of the Year is a Boys & Girls Club of America's leading recognition program, for youth ages 14-18. Youth of the Year participants embody the values of leadership, service, academic excellence and healthy lifestyles. They exemplify the critical impact of Boys & Girls Clubs on the lives of young people. Through the Youth of the Year program, young people showcase their talents and achievements, share their hopes and dreams, and work toward a bright and positive future.



Our 2018 Youth of the Year, Alondra

## **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.

Manners Matter (all ages): This program helps youth learn proper social etiquette while enjoying a tasty healthy meal! Kids also get to make and take a craft that highlights the importance of good manners.

**Torch Club** (ages 11-13):Through service activities, members identify Club and community needs, develop programs and activities, and actively participate in their community. Torch Club teaches members to learn to enrich their lives and the lives of others through service, leadership, and by demonstrating good character.

**Keystone (ages 13-18):** Emphasizes service and leadership among teens. This unique leadership development experience provides opportunities for youth in and out of the Club to participate in activities that focus on academic success, career exploration, and community service. Teens who participate have the opportunity to go to workplaces in their very own community.

Junior Staff (ages 13-18): Junior Staff is a small group program that is both practical and user friendly. It assists Club members in exploring a career in youth or human services, particularly Boys & Girls Club work. In partnership with staff, teens co-lead sessions, bring their voices to important conversations, and work collectively with other youth to develop meaningful projects in response to a community need.

**Skills to Succeed (all ages):** Youth will increase their knowledge and skills necessary for everyday living while teens will learn to prepare for living independently and productively. This program emphasizes goal-setting, decision making and problem solving, communication, healthy lifestyles and relationships, nutrition, personal safety, citizenship and consumerism in our daily lives.



## **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.

**STRIDE**( ages 6-13): A web-based learning program that incorporates learning math, reading, and science into a fun gaming environment.

**Lego Robotics (ages 6-12):** Designed with collaboration in mind, the Core Lego WeDo 2.0 program introduces youth to computational thinking and engineering principles in a fun and engaging way.

**Power Hour (all ages):** This program helps achieve academic success by providing homework help, tutoring and high-yield learning activities and encouraging members to become self-directed learners.

**STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics); (all ages):** Youth and teens will have the opportunity to engage in fun and interactive science, technology, engineering, art and mathematic projects! Club members will have a hands-on experience with many activities including boat building challenges, coding games, making a bike blender, building catapults, and so much more!

Career Cruising (ages 6-12): This program is designed to give club members an interactive job exploration experience at workplaces in their very own community!

Career Launch (ages 13-18): Career Launch prepares teens for the world of careers and the workforce. Through Career Launch, teens will embark on a journey to explore possible vocations, make sound educational decisions and find success in the work world.



## **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.

**Garden Club (all ages):** Provides youth the opportunity to learn how to grow, preserve, and cook their own food from our outdoor and indoor garden. The kids will enjoy the beauty, health, and environmental benefits of locally and organically grown produce, plants, and flowers.

**Kid Cuisine/Teen Cuisine (all ages):** Designed to incorporate healthy living and active learning in every part of the Club experience and everyday life. Kid Cuisine/Teen Cuisine emphasizes good nutrition, regular physical activity, and improving overall well-being.

**Go Green (all ages):** Youth will work together work on bringing recycling to our Club, raising awareness and finding new ways to reduce our food and landfill waste, learning about small and big actions we can take to reuse items and reduce our environmental footprint, and work together on many projects using recycled materials!

**Travel Club:** ( ages 10-18) Travel Club provides an opportunity for teens to learn about other cultures, history, and languages by traveling within the United States and abroad.

## **SPORTS & REC**

Our sports, fitness, and recreation programs focus on meeting each youth where they are at and helping them set goals to reach the next level. We teach valuable lessons in teamwork and dedication while learning new skills and having fun.

Indoor Soccer in partnership with Pink Jersey Soccer Club: The Club will again be partnering with Pink Jersey Soccer Club to provide youth the opportunity to practice and play indoor soccer this fall/winter. Dates TBD

**Pound Fitness:** Pound Fitness provides a full body workout for all ages where instead of listening to music, you become the music. This program is the perfect combination of cardio, strength training, and yoga. Grab some drumsticks and get ready to rock out! (Drumsticks Provided)

#### **Basketball:**

**Traveling basketball** is offered for both boys and girls ages 13+. Members will have the chance to travel within Wisconsin to compete with other Clubs!

**Club Basketball** is offered to youth ages 6-12 and focuses on instruction, good sportsmanship, and having fun.

**Open Gym Basketball** for teens is offered Monday through Friday 3:30 pm– 5:30 pm (special events may affect schedule).



The Club values emotional safety for all members. With that said, there are times when youth experience overwhelming emotions. The Zen Den is a dedicated space for youth to process these emotions. Whether it be sadness, anger, or anxiety providing youth with a quiet space to calm themselves allows them to regain control over their emotions. The Zen Den also provides staff the opportunity to help youth identify feelings, encourage self-care, and introduces kids and teens to coping skills so that they may find tools to use when their own emotions become overwhelming.

In addition to being a calm space for youth to retreat to, the Zen Den offers programs that promote mental health wellness. Programs such as: Mindfulness, Yoga, and healthy relationship/friendship groups will be offered.



"Feelings are just visitors; let them come and go." – Mooji

## THE ARTS

Our arts programming enables young people to develop their creativity and cultural awareness through knowledge and appreciation of visual and tactile arts and crafts, performing arts, and creative writing.

Adventures in Art (all ages): This program encourages artistic expression through drawing, painting, printmaking, collage, mixed media, and sculptures displayed at local and regional exhibits.

**The Kids Post (all ages):** The Kids Post allows members to research and create stories, current news items, book reviews, competitions, puzzles, poetry, interviews, and so much more! The Kids Post will provide an exciting insight into life at our Club for parents, staff and youth to enjoy!

**Theater for Youth:** Theater for Youth is dedicated to bringing the joy of drama to Club members of all ages. Members will have the chance to experience the excitement and rewards of the arts while developing self-expression, social skills, confidence and the ability to work with others. Youth and teens will develop and display their talents through a final performance for family and friends!

## **CLUB SERVICES**

#### **MEAL PROGRAM**

The Club provides free dinner and snack during the school year and breakfast, lunch, and dinner with funding from the CACFP 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.



# LATE START EARLY RELEASE NON-SCHOOL DAYS



#### **LATE START**

- \$50 for middle school youth or \$5 drop in fee; FREE to ages 6-12
- Wednesdays 6:45 am—8:45 am
- Includes breakfast, enrichment activities, and transportation to school
- Must register in advance



#### **EARLY RELEASE DAYS (included in semester fee)**

- 12:00 pm—5:30 pm
- Includes snack, enrichment activities, and transportation from school to the Club



#### **NON-SCHOOL DAYS**

- \$5 youth ages 6-12; Teens are FREE
- Youth Center: 6:45 am—5:30 pm; Teen Center: 11:00 am—5:30 pm
- Dates are determined according to the Berlin Area School District Calendar
- · Includes breakfast, lunch, and snack
- Sparks Club (K-5th Grade) will begin at 9:00 am
- Transportation provided for those enrolled in Sparks Club







THE CLUB Teen Center is a safe place for 6th-12th grade youth to hang out! THE CLUB Teen Center offers a technology space, lounge area, and concessions area. THE CLUB also features a large game room with a pool table, air hockey, arcade basketball, and tons of video games!

## TEEN NIGHT SCHEDULE

#### October

October 5: Bonfire

October 12: Ghost in the Graveyard

October 19: No Teen Night

October 26: Pumpkin Carving

#### **November**

**November 2:** Laser Tag

**November 9:** Canvas Painting

**November 16:** Mario Party

November 23: No Teen Night

#### **December**

**December 7:** Gift of Giving

**December 14:** Escape Room

December 21: Winter Wonderland

December 28: No Teen Night





## MENTORING PROGRAM

#### Are you an adult who:



Enjoys spending time with youth?



Is looking for a way to give back?



Can commit to volunteering one hour per week?



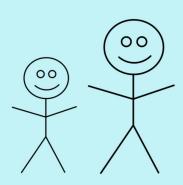
Likes the idea of guiding and supporting young minds as they learn to navigate the world?



Is fun and kind?



If so, we want to hear from you! We are currently recruiting adult MENTORS who want to make a difference in the life of a child!



#### Do you have a child who:

- Struggles in school?
- Has trouble making friends?
- Could benefit from spending time with an adult role model?
- Is a teen parent?
- Has been removed from his/her home?
- Is in need of guidance and support?

If so, our NEW Mentoring Program would be a great fit for him/her! Youth, ages 8-18, may self refer or be referred through any of our various community partners.

LET'S TALK! Contact Briana Harmon, Mentoring Coordinator, (920)361-2717 ext. 301 or via email at bharmon@bgctric.org to learn more today!