

# SUMMER 2021 PROGRAM GUIDE





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.

## **OUR CORE VALUES**



We will serve as a catalyst for change, encouraging innovation and forward thinking while serving as an educator and facilitator of opportunity to meet the needs of youth and our community.

ADAPTABLE FUTURE



## COMMUNITY

We believe building relationships is key to creating an inclusive environment where youth and their families feel supported, welcomed, and equal as we work toward a common goal of improving lives.

RELATIONSHIPS TEAMWORK COLLABORATION



## CHARACTER

We will serve as compassionate, caring, and kind role models who hold integrity, reliability, respect, and the encouragement of self-expression to a higher standard.

RELIABLE COMPASSION



#### SAFETY

We believe that providing a place where children are physically and emotionally safe creates the foundation for them to learn, grow, and succeed.

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Summer hours begin on Wednesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> and end on Friday, August 20<sup>th</sup>. The Club is open for youth ages 6-12 Monday-Friday, 7:00 am-5:00 pm.

The Club will be closed May 31<sup>st</sup>-June 8<sup>th</sup>, July 5<sup>th</sup>, and August 23<sup>rd</sup>-31<sup>st</sup>. Fall hours will begin on Wednesday, September 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### **CLUB FEES**

#### **ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE**

\$25/per child (ages 6–12) Valid September 1st – August 31st Teens 13–18 Join for FREE!

#### **SUMMER FEES FOR 6-12 YEAR OLDS**

Fee: \$65 weekly fee per child. We charge per week, not per day. This means that it is the same cost whether your child comes 3 days or 5 days. Payment will be due the Friday prior to the following week for your child to participate.

#### **SUMMER FEES FOR TEENS**

Teens (ages 13-18) are invited to join us for Teen Programming FREE of charge, this includes open gym. Teens wishing to join us for full days of programming at the Club must have staff approval in advance and will be charged weekly summer fees (see fees for 6-12 year olds for details).

#### SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Scholarships are available to any family who cannot afford the fees associated with Boys & Girls Club services. An application and 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. *Scholarships may not be applied to field trips*.

#### LATE PICK UP FEE

Please note our summer 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 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 & EXPECTATIONS**

The Club follows the PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports) framework. 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.

#### **REMIND**

This summer, the Club is rolling out Remind, a communication app that makes it easy for parents, youth and teens to stay connected with the Club. We will contact you about important things including special events, field trips, sporting events, and weather related openings and closings. Remind is free to use, and you'll be able to receive messages on any device—even right from your phone. Official accounts will be created for parents, youth and teens. You will receive a text message (or email) from Remind. All you need to do is follow the steps in the text (or email) to finish setting up your account. We're excited for a better way to stay connected with you!

#### **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.

#### **MEAL PROGRAM**

The Club serves breakfast, lunch and an afternoon snack each weekday throughout the summer. Youth in the community (regardless of enrollment status) are invited to join us for FREE meals. Please contact the Director of Operations, Mindy Collado, for meal times and/or additional information.



#### **WET & WILD WEDNESDAYS**

Youth bring their swimsuit, towel, and sunscreen and we will provide the sprinkler, pools, and water toys every Wednesday for Wet & Wild Day!





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

#### **PICK-UP TIMES**

Barlow Park School – 8:00 am Murray Park School – 8:10 am

#### **DROP-OFF TIMES**

Murray Park School – 5:10 pm Barlow Park School – 5:20 pm

#### **SUMMER SCHOOL DAYS**

#### **PICK-UP TIMES**

Barlow Park School – 12:05 pm Murray Park School – 12:10 pm

#### **DROP-OFF TIMES**

Murray Park School – 5:10 pm Barlow Park School – 5:20 pm

The Boys & Girls Club of the Tri-County Area is happy to provide transportation to Ripon students again this summer. Each family is charged \$25 per week for busing regardless of the number of children in the family who ride to/from the Club. The bus departs each morning and picks up kids in Ripon, then returns the kids in the evening from the Club. Scholarships available to those that qualify. Please see the front desk to request a scholarship.

>>> Parents are responsible to be at pick-up/drop-off locations at the appropriate time with the understanding that bus schedules can be a few minutes early/late. Thanks for your understanding.

## **WEEKLY THEMES:**

<b>WEEK 1:</b> June 9-11	We're All In This Together
<b>WEEK 2:</b> June 14-18	Step Into STEM
<b>WEEK 3:</b> June 21-25	National Boys & Girls Club Week
WEEK 4: June 28-July 2	Party in the USA
<b>WEEK 5:</b> July 6-9	The Ultimate Journey
<b>WEEK 6:</b> July 12-16	Summer On Stage
<b>WEEK 7:</b> July 19-23	Strong Minds, Strong Bodies
<b>WEEK 8:</b> July 26-30	Edible Engineering
WEEK 9: August 2-6	Be Your Own Boss
<b>WEEK 10:</b> August 9-13	Created to Create
<b>WEEK 11:</b> August 16-20	Run, Jump, Play



General questions regarding the Club should be directed to our Director of Operations,

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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.



#### **DRAMA MATTERS**

When school is out – drama is in! Drama Matters provides a safe, accepting environment where youth of all skill levels can build their self-confidence, spark creativity, and showcase their talents. This program culminates in a final performance for families and friends!

#### **ADVENTURES IN ART**

Every child is an artist! Join us for Adventures in Art as youth are introduced to modern and contemporary artists and diverse cultures using a wide variety of media and techniques including: paint, clay, wood, plaster, papier-mâché, wire, fabric, dioramas, recyclables and more! This program results in a final art showcase for friends, families, and the community to enjoy!

#### **DANCE TEAM**

No tryouts required! Youth of all skill levels are encouraged to join. Working on strength and flexibility dance is a great activity and art form for youth as they grow. Youth will put their teamwork skills to the test while learning choreography and during practices leading up to a final performance for family and friends.

#### **MUSIC MAKERS**

This high-energy performing arts program will encourage and inspire youth of all ages and abilities to get up and move! Music Makers provides a space for youth to showcase their creative self-expression. Youth will be introduced to a variety of instruments, musical talents, dance, and so much more. While making beautiful music youth will develop critical thinking skills, self-discipline, and their self-confidence.



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.

#### **BRAIN GAIN**

Keep kids learning this summer! Brain Gain helps mitigate summer learning loss for early and upper elementary, middle, and high school youth. This project-based learning approach will keep youth engaged through discovery, creative expression, and group work.

#### **BOOK CLUB**

When books fall open, kids fall in! Book Club encourages young readers to discover great books, discuss favorite stories, explore important topics, and have fun with literacy! Book Club is offered in small group settings to encourage even our youngest readers to develop a love of reading.

The Club partners with the Berlin and Green Lake Public Libraries to provide youth the opportunity to participate in the libraries' summer reading programs. Youth will track their reading minutes throughout the summer months to earn a variety of incentives.

#### **MONEY MATTERS**

A penny saved, is a penny earned! Money Matters is designed to help youth learn proper money management and provide them with skills to enter the working world through a variety of fun financial literacy activities! Youth will understand the impact of saving, learn how to open a savings account, how to be responsible with credit and debit cards, and much more!

#### **BOARD & CARD GAME CLUB**

Board & Card Game Club is a way to meet new friends and enjoy friendly competition playing a variety of new and classic games. Youth will have a lot of fun while enhancing their memory and increasing their problem solving and goal-setting skills! This club also helps teach youth to strategize and focus while boosting their confidence in a supportive, phone-free environment.







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.

#### **SMART GIRLS**

She believed she could, so she did! SMART Girls is a small-group health, fitness, prevention/education and self-esteem enhancement program designed to meet the developmental needs of girls. Girls explore their own societal attitudes and values as they build skills for eating right, staying physically fit, incorporating healthy habits, and developing positive relationships with peers and adults.



#### PASSPORT TO MANHOOD

The journey begins with a simple step! Passport to Manhood focuses on empowering male youth to be the best person they can be. Each participant receives a "passport" to emphasize the idea that he is on a personal journey of maturation and growth. Passport to Manhood engages youth in discussions and highly interactive activities that reinforce character, leadership, and positive behavior.

#### **GARDEN CLUB**

Can you dig it?! Using our outdoor raised garden beds and indoor Tower Garden system, youth will plant, nurture, water, grow, enjoy their harvest and even learn to cook with their fresh produce! This is a great program to ignite an interest in where food comes from as well as spark curiosity about trying new foods!

#### **HEALTHY HABITS**

Healthy isn't a goal: it's a way of living! The Healthy habits program engages youth in activities that promote healthy eating habits. This program includes participation in fun fitness challenges, preparation of new recipes, and promotion of healthy eating! Youth will walk away with a positive relationship with food and habits that will last a lifetime.







#### **GO GREEN**

Let's go green, to get our globe clean! Youth will work together to inspire and encourage each other to be more conscious of the impact on our environment. With hands-on learning, the youth will establish goals, make plans, and execute projects, like building butterfly gardens and building park benches out of plastic bags that will better the community they live in. This program will without a doubt educate and empower youth to be more aware of their environmental footprint and encourage them to develop more earth friendly habits!

#### TRIPLE PLAY

A "game plan for mind, body and soul." Triple Play is designed to incorporate healthy living and active learning in every part of the Club experience. Triple Play involves all youth in regular physical activity and encourages youth to try new sports and participate in fitness challenges. Youth participate in various activities and tournaments that are held in a wide variety of sports and individual and group games.

#### IM HEALTHY - MICHAEL PHELPS PROGRAM

The IM Healthy Program empowers youth to learn the basics of living well, including being physically active, water safety, eating right, and managing stress. Youth learn through fun interactive lessons provided by the Michael Phelps Foundation and led by the Club's youth development professionals.



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.

#### **TORCH CLUB**

A leadership and service club for youth ages 11 to 13. Torch Club 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 life. 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, social recreation.

#### **JUNIOR STAFF**

Junior Staff is a small-group program that assists youth in exploring a career in child development or human services, particularly a future in Boys & Girls Club work. This program pairs young leaders with Club staff to assist in activities and daily operations of the Club. Similar to an unpaid internship, this program requires youth to apply, interview, and be selected for a position as Junior Staff. Junior Staff is viewed as a stepping stone to our ever popular Teens 2 Work Program.

#### **YOUTH OF THE MONTH:**

Each month, a Club member who has demonstrated excellent behavior and leadership at the Boys & Girls Club is recognized and celebrated due to their positive achievements by their peers and staff.

#### **YOUTH OF THE YEAR:**

Since 1947, Youth of the Year has been Boys & Girls Clubs of America's premier recognition program, celebrating the extraordinary achievements of Club members. Each year, one exceptional young person from a Boys & Girls Club rises to the role of National Youth of the Year. The National Youth of the Year serves as both an exemplary ambassador for Boys & Girls Club youth and as a strong voice for all of our nation's young people. The journey to being named National Youth of the Year begins locally and progresses to state, regional and national levels, with an additional military phase for members of BGCA-affiliated Youth Centers on U.S. military installations.





#### **KEYSTONE**

This unique leadership development experience provides opportunities for young people ages 14 to 18 to lead and participate in social justice projects that are chosen by participants and implemented in their Club and/or home community. With the guidance of an adult advisor, Keystone aims to have a positive impact on youth, the Club, and the community. Each Keystone participant has the opportunity to earn volunteer hours towards trips and leadership conferences. A great resume builder, this program is one future leaders do not want to pass up.

#### **CAREER LAUNCH**

Discover your strengths and set yourself up for success! Career Launch prepares teens for the world of careers and work. Teens embark on a journey to explore possible vocations, make sound educational decisions that will complement their career path, and learn interpersonal skills that will benefit their career, no matter the field they choose.

#### **OPEN GYM**

Open gym is a time designated just for teens to occupy our gym space. Teens are welcome to utilize any of the gym equipment we have on hand. Although basketball tends to be a favorite pastime during open gym we welcome athletes of all sorts; practice dance, twirl, gymnastics, or put up the volleyball nets and play a game with friends. The possibilities are endless, join us in our indoor space and have fun.

#### **TEENS 2 WORK**

This program is designed to match teens interested in paid work experience, and in need of job skills with local businesses in need of employees that they are willing to train. Through a mentoring style approach, teens receive classroom training on job readiness skills, support in the job application and interview process, on the job education, and guidance on financial basics like setting up a checking account and filing their first income tax returns.







#### **BE GREAT: GRADUATE PROGRAM**

The Boys & Girls Club of the Tri-County Area's Be Great: Graduate Program is designed to help middle and high school students succeed in school and graduate. Be Great: Graduate is a nationally recognized dropout prevention program designed to enhance teens' engagement with learning by providing consistent support and helping teens graduate from high school on time with a plan to be college, community, or career ready after graduation.

The program serves students grades 7th -12th, with a Graduate Specialist on-site at Berlin Middle and High School during the school-year. During the summer participants are encouraged to stay engaged through various program offerings at the Club, career & college tours, volunteer & leadership opportunities, and fun field trips.



For more information on the Be Great: Graduate Program please contact our Graduation Specialist,

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## 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?
- $\square$  Is in need of guidance and support?

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

**LET'S TALK!** 



## Field trips are non-refundable

- Scholarships may not be applied to field trips -

All field trips taking place over the lunch hour will include a picnic style lunch, prepared, packed and provided by the Club. One afternoon snack will be provided for field trips not returning to the Club until after 3:00 pm. Sending additional spending money for souvenirs and snacks is optional and will be the responsibility of the child. The Boys & Girls Club of the Tri-County Area is not responsible for any lost or stolen items, personal belongings, or money/debit cards.

At this time the Club does plan to incorporate field trip opportunities into our summer program plans. However, we will not be releasing a full calendar of summer trips. Club leadership will continue to work closely with the Green Lake County Health Department and monitor the Covid-19 pandemic throughout the summer months to safely implement field trips. Although we may not travel as far as we have in the past, we do still plan to get outdoors, spend time swimming, and of course enjoy the occasional frosty treats that keep us cool on hot summer days!

## Boys& Girls& Safe Places& Mentorship& Graduation



Our Club never takes a single approach when it comes to helping kids succeed.

We believe it takes a safe environment, skilled staff and high-quality programs to ensure kids have a great future. For more than 23 years, our Club has relentlessly provided young people with the guidance to be innovative, brave and confident. We are boys & girls & tech & tutoring & fitness & arts & music and so much more.



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