

PROGRAM GUIDE

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2017-18



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
OF OSHKOSH



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About Us

The Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh provides young people ages 6-18 with a safe place to learn and grow after school and in the summertime. The Club offers a dynamic learning environment that includes fun and impactful age-appropriate programs focused on developing healthy lifestyles, good character and citizenship and academic success, mentoring by caring adult professionals, free, healthy meals and outstanding facilities.

Our main Clubhouse is located downtown on Parkway and Broad and features an area specific to younger members ages 6-12 (the Radford Center) as well as a space dedicated to teens (The CLUB Teen Center).

Mission

The Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh's mission is to improve the lives of children and families.

Vision

Our vision is to 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 to 18 years-old and their families.

Sign up for e-blasts! Get the latest news specific to Club families and friends, details on upcoming programs, events and volunteer opportunities right in your inbox! Sign up on our website or at the Club's Radford Center front desk.

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School Year Sign Up

A current membership form must be on file for your child to participate at the Club. All memberships renew annually on September 1, however, your child may join at any point during the year. Non-members between the ages of 6 and 18 years old may visit the Club once, but will be required to get a membership for subsequent visits. If you would like to tour the Club, you can contact Program Director Danielle Bittelman at 920-233-1414, Ext. 24 or danielleb@bgcosh.org.

Membership forms are available online, at Boys & Girls Club after school sites from 12:30 - 5:30 p.m. M-F, and at the Club's Radford Center front desk.

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Hours of Operation

Club Hours during the School Year

The Club's school year program begins on Tuesday, September 5, 2017. From September 5-29 the Radford Center is open from 2:30 - 6:00 p.m. The CLUB Teen Center is open 3:30 - 6:00 p.m.

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

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Radford Center	2:30 – 8:30 p.m.	2:30 – 8:30 p.m.	2:30 – 8:30 p.m.	2:30 – 6:00 p.m.	2:30 – 6:00 p.m.
				<i>Radford Center closes at 6:00 PM for K-5 grades.</i>	
The CLUB Teen Center	3:30 – 8:30 p.m.	3:30 – 8:30 p.m.	3:30 – 8:30 p.m.	3:30 – 8:30 p.m.	3:30 – 10:00 p.m.
				<i>6-8th grades are welcome in the Teen Center from 6:00 p.m. until close.</i>	

SATURDAY-SUNDAY

The Club is closed for regular programming on weekends, however special events are occasionally scheduled on weekends. Please check our online calendar.

The Club gives me a place where I can experience new opportunities and gives me an outlet from the pressures that adolescents experience in life which can cause stress. It gives me a place I can talk and connect with my friends that I feel safe, can have fun and have adults to listen if I need to.

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Club Hours on Non-school Days during the School Year

The Boys & Girls Club operates under the Oshkosh Area School District Calendar. The Club will be open on the following non-school days during the 2017-2018 school year: October 27, 2017, November 24, 2017 and January 22, 2018.

On non-school days, the Radford Center will be open 6:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., and the CLUB Teen Center will be open 11:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Club Hours on Early Release Days during the School Year

The Boys & Girls Club operates under the Oshkosh Area School District Calendar. The Club will be open for the following early release days during the 2017-2018 school year: September 13, 2017, October 11, 2017, November 8, 2017, December 13, 2017, January 10, 2018.

The Radford Center will open from 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. on days the school is out for early release and the CLUB Teen Center will be open from 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Members can participate in a variety of activities during these days in all of our program areas. Dinner will be served at 3:45 p.m. on these days.



Hours of Operation (continued)

After-school Care Sites and CLC Hours

The Club's after-school program, as well as the school district's CLC (Community Learning Center) sites, run from school dismissal until 6:00 p.m. during the school year including on early release days. If school closes, then the after-school program and CLC sites will close as well.

Catalpa Health Trees from Seeds Center Hours

The Trees from Seeds Center is located on site at the Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh. The center is open Monday-Friday during the summer from 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. and during the school year from 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Non-school days follow summer hours.

Holiday Closures

The Club will be closed for the following holidays:

Labor Day
September 4, 2017

Thanksgiving
November 23, 2017

Christmas & New Years
December 23, 2017-January 1, 2018

Weather Related Closings

On days that school is cancelled, the Boys & Girls Club will strive to have our facilities open for children by 8:00 a.m. (assuming road and weather conditions permit safe travel for staff). Facilities will be closed at 5:30 p.m. on those days.

Please verify that the Club is open by calling the Radford Center front desk 920-233-1414, Ext. 10 after 7:00 a.m. or check the Club's Facebook page. Parents signed up for Celly, the Club's texting service, will be notified by text of Club closings.

Please note that if the Oshkosh Area School District cancels after school activities due to weather, Club-provided transportation will not run that night either.

Visit our online calendar at www.bgcosh.org to see a full day to day listing of all the fun programming, field trips and events your child is participating in while they are at the Club!

Expectations

Your child is expected to participate fully in each program and behave according to our Club rules that can be found in our Parent Handbook. If you do not have a handbook, please request one from our Radford Center front desk. Children who choose not to follow these expectations will not be able to participate in our program.

School Attendance

If for any reason your child does not attend school, they will not be allowed to attend the Boys & Girls Club that day.

PBIS Guidelines

The Club follows PBIS guidelines and expectations. Safety, Respect, Responsibility and Mindfulness are of the utmost importance. The Club reserves the right to refuse, suspend, or terminate membership of any youth if their behavior or attitude is disrespectful to staff, volunteers, or other members, or if their behavior does not allow them to function with others appropriately in our programs. Club membership is a privilege, not a right. For a complete list of policies and expectations, please request a Parent Handbook.

Bully Free Zone

The Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh is a bully free zone and strives to provide a safe, secure and respectful environment for all members in our facilities, on Boys & Girls Club grounds, and in our vehicles as well at Boys & Girls Club sponsored activities. Bullying has a harmful social, physical and psychological impact on bullies, victims and bystanders. The Boys & Girls Club consistently and vigorously addresses bullying.

Zones of Regulation

Zones of regulation provides strategies to teach members to become more aware of and independent in controlling their sensory needs and improving their ability to problem solve conflicts. The zones can be compared to a stoplight or traffic sign. When given a green light (in the green zone), one is "good to go." A yellow light or caution sign means slow down or take warning, which applies to the Yellow Zone. A red light or stop sign means stop; when a person is in the Red Zone, they need to stop and refocus. This program helps our members to have control over their actions and movements.

Open-door Policy

The Boys & Girls Club Radford Center and The CLUB Teen Center both have an open door policy. It is a parent's responsibility to make sure that their child understands the departure procedure from the Club. Children choosing to leave the Club may not return until the following day. This policy excludes 5-6 year olds who may not leave the Club on non-school days unless they have been signed out by an authorized adult.



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Club Fees

Annual Membership Fee

Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh membership is annual and all memberships are renewed annually on September 1. Club membership fees are \$25 for the first child, \$15 for the second child and \$10 for any additional children, not to exceed \$50 per family. We charge nominal Club fees and offer scholarships for certain programs to those families who are not able to pay.

Non-School Day Fees

The Club has additional daily fees for non-school days for 5-12 year olds. Teens are free after 11:30 a.m. Teens who want to attend the Club earlier than 11:30 a.m. must be in the Jr. Staff program. Please see the CLUB Teen Center 411 for more info.

Before 9 a.m.
\$55 1st child
\$35 additional child

After 9 a.m.
\$35 1st child
\$20 additional child

Late Pick Up Fee

Please make sure the Club has current contact information on file for your family. There is a \$10 late fee for any child not picked up within the first fifteen minutes after closing and an additional \$1 per minute thereafter. Children cannot attend any program until the late fee is paid.

After School Care & CLC Site Fees

Please see the sections of the guide pertaining to the After School Care and CLC Site Programs for their associated fees.

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Payment Information

If you are interested in assistance or would like to make a payment on your account by phone, please stop by or contact the Director of Member Services Debbie Henschel at the Radford Center front desk, 920-233-1414, Ext. 10.

Forms of payment include: credit or debit card, check, cash, and automatic payments. You may also pay online through the TraxOnline Parent Portal on our website using a credit or debit card.

NEW! TraxOnline Parent Portal

The TraxOnline Parent Portal is an online tool that allows parents to sign up for memberships, field trips, camps, programs and after school care as well as make payments on your account. If you are currently a Club family or have been members in the past, your information is already in our system, you just need to set up a password and update your household information in order to activate your online account. Visit our website at www.bgcosh.org to sign up.

If you have any questions regarding the TraxOnline Parent Portal, please contact Director of Member Services Debbie Henschel at the Radford Center front desk, 920-233-1414, Ext. 10.

Receive Club Updates

Celly Texting Service

The Club offers text updates to parents and teens regarding weather related Club closings and upcoming Club events using the texting service Celly. For parent updates, text: @BGCORadfordParents to: 262-885-4033. To sign up for teen updates, text: @BGCOTeens to: 262-885-4033.

ALL parents and teens are highly encouraged to sign up for Celly as texting is the best way to receive current and accurate information from the Club. You can unsubscribe from the service at any time.

E-blasts

Sign up online at <http://bgcosh.org/sign-up-for-club-updates/> to receive monthly e-newsletters for Club families and friends to stay informed about upcoming events, meet new staff, learn about Club programs that are offered and more.

I get all three's at school now, I used to get two's. The Learning Center at the Club is a quiet, fun place and they help me with my math. I am a lot better at math now and do not have to get extra help from my teachers during my lunch time.

Fall/Winter Programs

The Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh offers quality programs for 6-18 year olds that are taught by caring professional staff and that have been proven successful in thousands of Clubs nationwide. Our programs fall under the categories of: Academic Success, Arts, Healthy Lifestyles, Good Character and Citizenship and Sports, Fitness & Recreation. These core areas have been nationally proven to address today's most pressing youth issues and assist in teaching young people the skills they need to succeed in life.

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Growing tomorrow's leaders today.



Character and Leadership

Our goal in our Character and Leadership programming is to build the skills needed today to be effective leaders tomorrow. We empower our young people to support and influence their Club and community, sustain meaningful relationships with others, develop a positive self-image, participate in the democratic process and respect their own and others' cultural identities.

Keystone Club

Keystone is the Boys & Girls Club Movement's ultimate teen program. This unique leadership development experience provides opportunities for high school aged teens. Youth participate, both in and out of the Club, in activities in three focus areas: academic success, career preparation and community service. With the guidance of an adult advisor, Keystone Clubs aim to have a positive impact on members, the Club and community.

Mentoring

Club members in need of a role model are matched with an adult mentor committed to meeting with them for four hours a month for at least two years. Mentors and mentees meet at the Club and participate in fun activities together and develop a plan for their mentee's future following high school graduation.

STEP UP

STEP UP is an anti-bullying program aimed at decreasing gang-involvement and negative interactions between police and youth. Local law enforcement officers from the Oshkosh Police Department work weekly with youth, promoting academic success through tutoring, building healthy relationships and positive interactions with all and having fun!

Torch Club

Torch Club is a chartered, small-group leadership and service club for middle school aged boys and girls. 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, and social recreation.

Youth of the Month

Provides members ages 6-18 the opportunity to showcase their leadership ability and be recognized among their peers. Each month, staff choose a member from each program area to be the member of the month. These members are recognized in April with a special dinner and award at our annual Youth of the Year Dinner event.

Academic Success

What do you want to be when you grow up? No matter how a child answers that question, we want to help them build a strong foundation to realize their goals. Our educational programs allow young people to explore their options and reach their full potential. We are growing tomorrow's leaders today.

3-D Printing

3-D Printing gives members the opportunity to design and create three-dimensional objects. Kids will work with staff members, as well as community partners, to design and create some amazing projects including cell phone cases, holders, fidget spinners and more!

Career Launch

Career Launch has a brand new curriculum where teens can explore a broad range of career areas, match their interests to career clusters and identify the skills and education needed for their particular career path. Career Launch is designed to support youth in preparing for their first job, internships, summer employment and so much more! This program may take place one-on-one or in smaller groups.

LEGO League/Robotics

LEGO League/Robotics immerses 4-8th grade members in real-world science and technology challenges. Teams build LEGO-based robots and develop research

projects. Through their participation, children develop valuable life skills and discover exciting career possibilities while learning that they can make a positive contribution to society.

Literacy Program

The Boys & Girls Club works with the Oshkosh Public Library to provide a reading program at the Club. Members can sign up at the Club and track their reading to achieve different incentives.

Making Minutes Count/Power Hour

Making Minutes Count/Power Hour offers a structured time and place for Club staff, academic tutors and volunteers to help members understand and complete their homework assignments and turn them in on time. Members are better prepared for classes and proud of their hard work and accomplishments. This program also provides high yield activities that help members become self-directed, resourceful and independent learners.

Money Matters

Money Matters is a program that is designed to help teens with proper money management and provide them the skills to enter the working world. Some of the things teens learn include opening a savings account, credit and debit card responsibility, budgeting, etc.



Professional Workshop

High school aged teens can participate in a four week Professional Workshop that teaches teens how to introduce themselves, how to dress to impress, what a personal brand is and how to use their own brands to their benefit. After attending the first three weeks, the teens pick out a professional outfit and attend the Business Expo to practice the skills they learned throughout the program. For more information or to sign up for January 2018, contact Carlea Liermann at carleal@bgcosh.org or 920-233-1414, Ext. 27 or carleal@bgcosh.org.

Skills to Pay the Bills

Skills to Pay the Bills teaches high school students the soft skills they will need to get a job including positive attitude and communication, teamwork, networking, problem solving, critical thinking, professionalism and great customer service.

STRIDE Academy

STRIDE Academy is a web based learning program that incorporates math, reading and science into a fun gaming environment. The program is available at the Club through statewide Wisconsin After 3 funding. The goal of the program is to improve STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) amongst Club members in 1st-8th grades.

STEM

The Club provides opportunities in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) with innovative and creative programs. Each week there are a variety of activities that center around these topics that members are able to explore and learn more about.

Teens 2 Work

Teens in high school can sign up to be part of our Teens 2 Work program. Broken down into 4 levels, the Teens 2 Work program is designed to help teens develop crucial job and life skills and eventually work their way into community employment in an area they might be interested in pursuing after high school.

Healthy Lifestyles

Engaging young people in positive behaviors that nurture their own well-being, our health and life skills programming teaches the importance of setting personal goals and developing the competencies necessary to live successfully as self-sufficient adults.

Boys II Men

Boys II Men is a program that engages teen boys in discussions and activities that reinforce character, leadership and positive behavior. Interactive activities are used to aid in the growth and development of young men. Activities include learning to cook, doing laundry, learning to tie a tie and participating in community service projects. Discussion topics cover issues like respectful treatment of others, the importance of academics, healthy hobbies and coping skills.

Fitness Challenges

Join the Club's Health and Wellness Coordinator in weekly fitness challenges. Challenges include eating well, exercise, mindfulness, and overall healthy tasks such as getting enough sleep, drinking water, trying a new food or meditation.

Healthy Habits

Healthy Habits emphasizes good nutrition, regular physical activity and improving overall well-being. As part of the program, kids have the opportunity to prepare tasty and healthy snacks using typical ingredients found at home.

Smart Girls

SMART Girls is a small-group health, fitness, prevention/education and self-esteem enhancement program designed to meet the development needs of girls in three age groups, spanning ages 8—18. Through dynamic sessions, participatory activities, field trips and mentoring opportunities with adult women, Club girls explore their own social attitudes and values as they build skills for eating right, staying physically fit, getting good health care and developing positive relationships with peers and adults.

Teen Cuisine

Teen Cuisine is a fun program where teens prepare snack items for themselves and their peers. This teaches them how to prepare simple dishes as well as responsible usage of kitchen equipment. The food will vary every week so they will learn a variety of snack recipes.

Triple Play

Triple Play improves Club member's knowledge of healthy habits, increases the number of hours per day they participate in physical activities and strengthens their ability to interact positively with others and engage in positive relationships.

The Arts

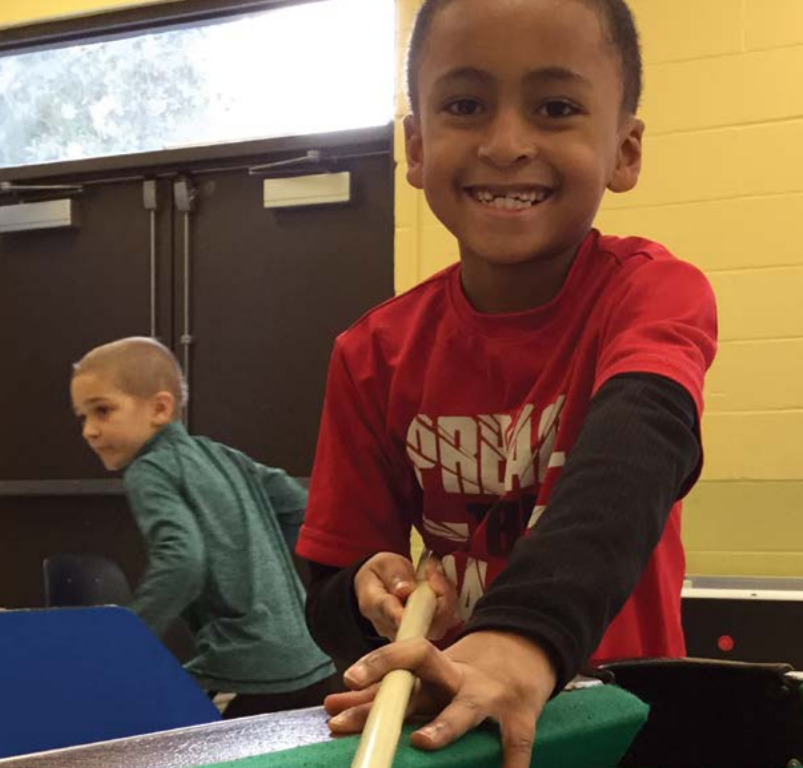
Our arts programming enables young people to develop their creativity and cultural awareness through knowledge and appreciation of visual and tactile arts and crafts, performing arts, and creative writing. Club members participate in a wide variety of activities from story-telling, writing, musical performances, drawing, and painting. Special activities are planned and conducted quarterly to generate enthusiasm for the arts and cultural diversity.

Arts & Crafts

Club members create beautiful creations in the art room by expressing themselves through a variety of projects. Members can join in a variety of activities such as painting, jewelry making, newspaper club, clay sculpting, and much more on a daily basis.

Digital Arts

The Digital Arts Suite teaches members ages 6 to 18 how to create computer-generated art. In each of six programs (Animation Tech, Design Tech, Game Tech, Photo Tech, Music Tech and Movie Tech), members advance through three levels of animated lessons online and participate in instructor-led group activities.



Fine Arts

This year-round program encourages artistic expression among Club members ages 6-18 through nine different categories of visual arts. These categories include monochromatic and multi-colored drawing, oil painting and watercolor, printmaking, collage, mixed media, pastel and group projects while providing opportunities for members to create artwork for display.

Music/Lyricism

Music lessons offered at the CLUB are guitar, piano, bass, drums, and voice. Based on interest, other instruments can be offered as well. Lyricism is a program designed to cultivate and amplify the powerful, formidable voices of CLUB teens. This program gives teens an opportunity to tell their poetic stories, build community and express their artistic visions through the music of hip-hop culture and the culture of the cipher.

Photography

Photography is designed to help members go beyond snapshots and develop skills to take photographs that can really impact the viewer.

Sports, Fitness & Recreation

Engagement. Teamwork. Dedication. Our young people learn these valuable lessons when they are pushed to excel and given the skills to accomplish their goals. 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.

Basketball 3-on-3 League for High School Boys

The league will run 7 weeks and starts Monday, Oct. 2nd and goes through Monday, Nov. 13th. It is free for Club members and \$25 for non-members. The Registration deadline is Wednesday, Sept. 27th.

Basketball 3-on-3 League for Middle School Girls

The league will run 7 weeks and starts Tuesday, Oct. 3rd and goes through Tuesday, Nov. 14th. It is free for Club members and \$25 for non-members. The Registration deadline is Wednesday, Sept. 27th.

Basketball 3-on-3 League for Middle School Boys

The league will run 7 weeks and starts Thursday, Oct. 5th and goes through Thursday, Nov. 16th. It is free for Club members and \$25 for non-members. The Registration deadline is Wednesday, Sept. 27th.

Basketball League for 5-8th Grade Boys through the YMCA

The Club partners with the YMCA to offer basketball leagues to boys in 5th & 6th grades and 7th & 8th grades. There is a cap of 10 boys per team. Sign-ups begin Monday, November 13th and can be completed online on the Club's TraxOnline Parent Portal. The first practice will be Friday, December 15th. Please contact Athletic Director AJ Huether with questions at 920-233-1414, Ext. 25 or anthonyh@bgcosh.org.

Flag Football

Gives members the basic skills they need for the game of football through skills games and scrimmages.

Get Up and Move

Just Dance, Zumba, Tabata, walking and active games get our members moving during the day.

Soccer

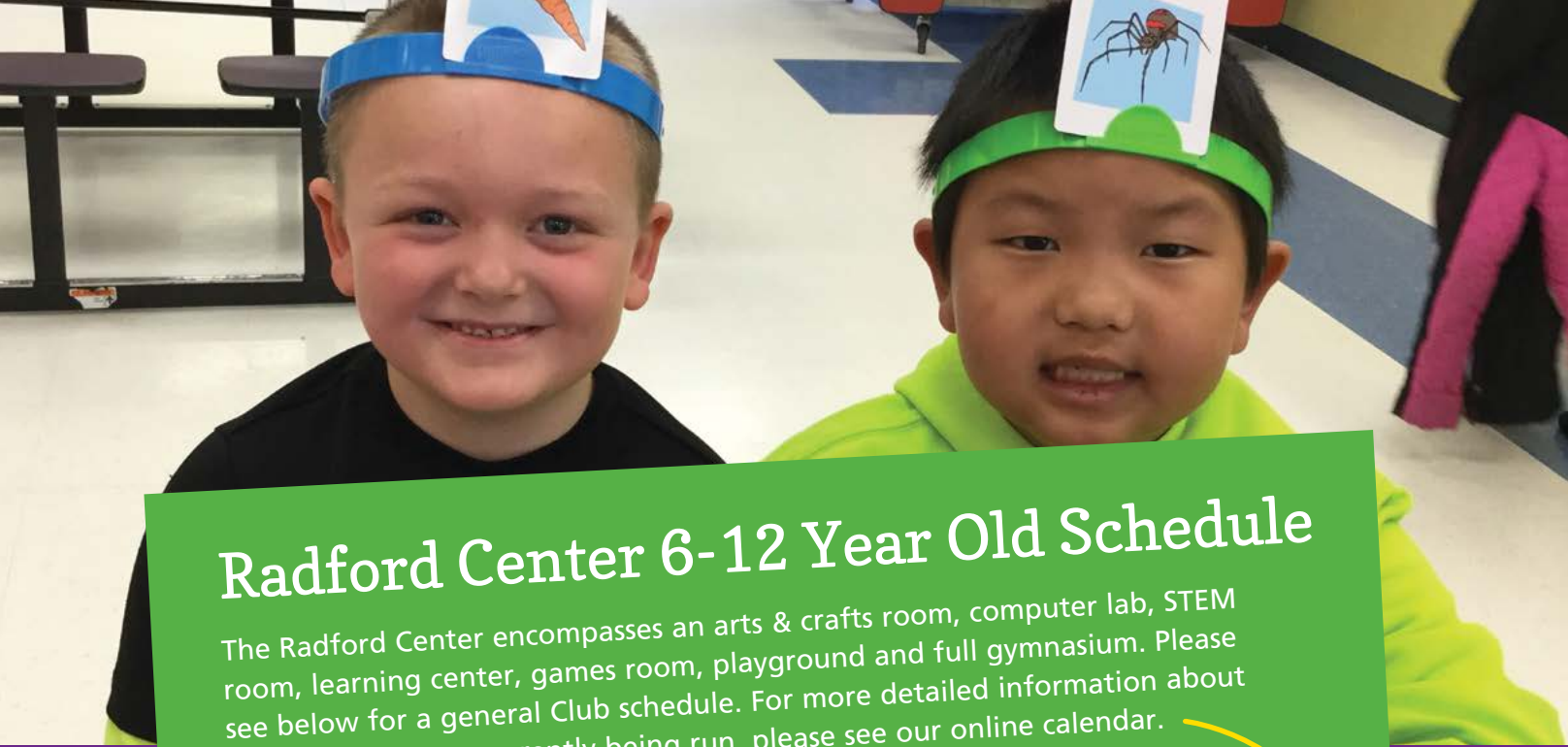
Different ages of soccer opportunities are available for youth to practice their skills and play in scrimmage games against each other.

Questions

For questions about Academic Success programming, please contact Director of Academic Success Leigh Brown at leighm@bgcosh.org. For Sports, Fitness & Recreation program questions, please contact Athletic Director AJ Huether at anthonyh@bgcosh.org. For all other program related questions, please contact Program Director Danielle Bittelman at danielleb@bgcosh.org.

I learned how to read quietly to baby ducks and chicks at the Club. The learning center taught me how to water plants and work in the garden. I like that I can get my reading done here so I don't have to do it at home. At home I read by myself and at the Club I can read to other kids.

Want to see more photos of the cool activities your child is participating in at the Club? **Follow the Club** on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter - @bgcosh!



Radford Center 6-12 Year Old Schedule

The Radford Center encompasses an arts & crafts room, computer lab, STEM room, learning center, games room, playground and full gymnasium. Please see below for a general Club schedule. For more detailed information about programs that are currently being run, please see our online calendar.



The CLUB Teen Center 411

The CLUB, a center for teens, includes a fitness center, a technology space, a theater, a lounge area and a concessions area. The CLUB also features a large games room complete with pool tables, air hockey, ping-pong, foosball and enough video games to engage even the biggest gamer.

A complete schedule of programming that is running specific to teens can be found on our online calendar.

Any questions regarding the CLUB Teen Center should be directed to Teen Center Director Tiffanie Bolling at tiffanieb@bgcosh.org or 920-233-1414, Ext. 12.

	Gym/ Playground	Art Room	STEM/ Learning Center	Games Room	Computer Lab
2:30 – 3:00	6-9	6-9	All Ages	10-12	10-12
3:00 – 3:30	10-12	10-12	All Ages	6-9	6-9
3:30 – 3:45	GET ACTIVE (ALL)	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
3:45 – 4:00	Closed	Closed	Closed	SNACK (ALL)	Closed
4:00 – 4:30	6-9	6-9	All Ages	10-12	10-12
4:30 – 5:00	10-12	10-12	All Ages	6-9	6-9
5:00 – 5:30	6-9	6-9	All Ages	10-12	10-12
5:30 – 5:45	6-9	6-9	Closed	DINNER 10-12/Teens	6-9
5:45 – 6:00	10-12	10-12	Closed	DINNER 6-9	Closed
6:00 – 6:30	6-9	6-9	STEM 6-9	10-12	10-12
6:30 – 7:00	10-12	10-12	STEM 10-12	6-9	6-9
7:00 – 7:30	6-9	6-9	Reading All Ages	Large Group Game (Both)	10-12
7:30 – 8:00	10-12	10-12	Reading All Ages	Large Group Game (Both)	Both
8:00 – 8:30	Both	Closed	Closed	Both	Both

Junior Staff

This is a volunteer program for any teen (13 & up) who would like to work within the Club, gaining useful employment skills and knowledge. Teens must complete training in order to be considered for a position in the Club, as well as daily evaluations and progress reports each time they work. Teens will be placed under the supervision of a staff member in an area of the Club based on their skills, interests and future career goals. Teens must be willing to help in any area needing assistance. Jobs may include helping staff run programs and activities, tutoring elementary members, serving dinner and snack and doing general cleaning tasks.

Middle School Nights

All members in Middle School or higher can attend the Club on Thursday and Friday nights after dinner (Thursdays from 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. and Fridays 6:00 - 10:00 p.m.). Special events and activities will occur during these hours, such as basketball tournaments, Chopped cooking competitions, guest speakers or performers, bubble soccer, laser tag, etc. Older teens can participate in the Teen Center during Middle School Nights as well.

Keystone Conference Preview

The National Keystone Conference is Boys & Girls Clubs of America's premier teen conference. The conference provides Keystone service Club members with positive opportunities to engage and socialize with peers, explore teen issues relevant to their lives,

and develop skills to support and enhance service and leadership efforts in Clubs and communities. More than 2,500 Keystone Club members, advisors, speakers and guests will come together for the 51st Annual National Keystone Conference in Denver, Colorado in Spring 2018. This amazing conference reinforces the virtues that define leadership and provides a platform for teens to engage in thought-provoking sessions and interactive, specialized activities.

Youth of the Year Scholarship Info

Junior and Senior Club members who have been picked as an Overall Youth of the Month during the previous year can compete for the \$10,000 Youth of the Year Higher Education Scholarship. Members fill out an application and complete essays about their personal brand and future goals, as well as participate in an interview process. One winner is selected who will receive the scholarship and also represent the Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh as our ambassador at various events and fundraisers and go on to compete for the title of State Youth of the Year.

Key Dates for Teens

October 26-27

No School – Halloween Party and Haunted House

December 14

Teen Christmas Party

November 16

Holiday Parade



After School Care Program

In addition to our Club facilities, the Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh provides state of Wisconsin licensed after-school care programs in two local elementary schools: Jacob Shapiro and Lakeside Elementary. These programs provide children with fun and educational activities, snack time, gym games, cooking projects, and many other opportunities starting from school dismissal until 6:00 p.m.

Jacob Shapiro Elementary has 34 spots available and Lakeside Elementary has 48 spots available. Registration is accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

How to Register

You can register at the after school sites during program hours or at the Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh during normal Club hours by completing and submitting the forms listed below for each child.

- Membership Application Form (this can be completed online through the TraxOnline Parent Portal. A paper copy of the form can be obtained from the Radford Center front desk if needed. The form is also available at our school sites.)
- Health History Form (this does not need to be signed or filled out by the doctor, a parent or guardian can do this)
- Daycare Immunization Record

Program Fees and Payment Information

The yearly Club membership fee of \$25 for the first child, \$15 for the second child, and \$10 for the third child are required up front at the time of registration.

For questions, please contact Childcare Director Lindsay Clark at 920-233-1414, Ext. 14 or lindsayc@bgcosh.org.

Daily Fee Schedule

For those individuals who would like to pay by credit card, cash or check, the following daily fees apply to participate in the after school program:

	5 Days	4 Days	3 Days	2 Days	1 Day
First Child	\$57	\$47	\$37	\$27	\$17
Additional Children	\$42	\$33	\$22	\$16	\$6

If you would like to pay by automatic withdrawal, you can receive a 5% discount on the daily after-school care fees by completing a Voided Check/Automatic Withdrawal Form. If you choose to send your child to our after school program fewer than five days a week, we must also receive a schedule of your child's planned attendance two weeks in advance. Any changes to your weekly attendance schedule need to be made by Wednesday of the week prior in order to avoid being charged for days your child will not attend.

More about the Program

- Children may work on homework, create art projects, and play organized indoor and outdoor activities.
- The program operates on early release Wednesdays for enrolled children only.
- Drop-ins are not allowed.

21st Century Community Learning Center (CLC) Programs at School Sites

The Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh collaborates with the Oshkosh Area School District to offer after school programs that provide academic enrichment opportunities focused on literacy and math. This program is funded in cooperation with the Oshkosh Area School District and the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant Program.

The Lighted School House program is offered at: Washington, Roosevelt, and Merrill Elementary Schools. The MELT (Middle Extended Learning Time) program is offered at: Perry Tipler/ALPS and Merrill Middle Schools. There are limited spots in each of these programs.

How to Enroll

Enrollment packets will be accepted at school registration. Participants will be notified of enrollment status at each site's open house. Packets must be filled out completely and turned in to the site coordinator.

Program Fees and Payment Information

The yearly program fee is \$125 per year. There is an additional charge of \$10 per month for extended pick up (5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.). Middle school program fee is \$40 per semester. Additional payment options and scholarships are available upon request.

Daily Schedule

2:35 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Healthy snack & recess

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Academic and enrichment hours

5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Supervised recreation in the gym

Students work with classroom leads and certified teachers on homework assignments and participate in skill-building activities designed to complement their day-school learning. Activities are interactive, project-based, and allow participants to apply their knowledge to real-life experiences.

Contact Information

Merrill Elementary 920-424-0420

Roosevelt Elementary 920-424-0411

Washington Elementary 920-424-0190

Smith Elementary 920-424-0174

Jefferson Elementary 920-424-0165

Tipler Middle School 920-424-0320

Merrill Middle School 920-424-0177

For questions, please contact Corey Van Thiel at 920-424-0395, Ext. 6508 or at Coree.VanThiel@oshkosh.k12.wi.us.



Mentoring Program

The Great Futures Start Here Mentoring Program is collaboration with the Oshkosh Area School District, YMCA, ADVOCAP, and Junior Achievement. The program matches youth who could benefit from a positive role model with a volunteer from the Oshkosh community.

Mentors and mentees (matches) meet at the Club and/or at school and participate in fun activities together. This includes working on homework, reading a book, arts & crafts, STEM projects, playing games, working out in our fitness center, baking & cooking, etc. The minimum requirement is to meet 1 hour a week or 4 hours a month.

During the school year, all mentoring youth are strongly encouraged to meet with the Academic

& Career Specialists to keep an eye on the student's grades. Once in high school they also participate in career development programming where they will create resumes, cover letters, learn how to apply for a job, prepare for interviews, etc.

Each youth works with their mentor and mentoring coordinator to develop a plan for their future following high school graduation. The ultimate goal is that each youth will graduate high school and have a plan to be employed, enrolled, or enlisted.

For information on how your child can join the mentoring program, please contact Carlea Liermann, Great Futures Mentoring Coordinator, at 920-233-1414, Ext. 27 or carleal@bgcosh.org.

Club Family Volunteer Opportunities

Attention parents, guardians and friends of the Club: If you would like to give back to the Club through volunteering, we would love to have you! We are always looking for fun, energetic volunteers who enjoy making a positive difference in the lives of children. Opportunities includes things like playing games with members, creating crafts, helping with homework, preparing and serving meals or snacks and more. All volunteers need to have a volunteer application and current background check form on file to volunteer at the Club. Please contact Program Director Danielle Bittelman at 920-233-1414, Ext. 24 or danielleb@bgcosh.org if you are interested.

Family Fun Nights

These nights are great opportunities for parents to participate with their children in enriching activities at the Boys & Girls Club. Evenings include activities, learning sessions, snacks or a meal and door prizes. Members must have an adult present to participate in the evening event.

September 8th

5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Back to School Cookout - Come and enjoy a brat, hotdog, or hamburger along with some yard games to celebrate finishing your first week back to school. Practice your cornhole/beanbag toss throwing skills to compete for prizes!

October 26th

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Halloween Bash - Bring your family for a fun night of games and spooks! Don't miss this opportunity to go through our very own haunted basement with your family. You will also be able to enjoy a meal, pumpkin carving, and other family friendly games.

November 22nd

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Thanksgiving Dinner – Bring your family with you to enjoy a Thanksgiving feast! Thanksgiving themed arts/crafts projects will also be taking place, along with some games and raffle prizes.

December 12th

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Christmas Party – Get your picture with Santa, pick out and wrap presents for your parents, and enjoy a Christmas meal with your family! This is one Christmas party you won't want to miss!

January 26th

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Movie Night! You bring your comfy clothes, pillows and blankets and we'll bring the movie and popcorn! Two different new releases will be shown on this night. Movies will be announced two weeks before the event. All who attend will be entered into a raffle for Marcus movie tickets.

Get text updates from the Club and stay informed about upcoming Club events and weather related openings and closings. To sign up, text @BGCORadfordParents to 262-885-4033.



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Club Services

Adopt-a-Family

This holiday season, the Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh, along with its many generous donors, would like the opportunity to help make your family's holiday a little bit brighter. Each year we have a limited number of families who are able to participate in our Adopt-a-Family program and receive these extra services. Families participating must have current memberships for all youth in the family ages 6-18 and must have been actively participating in programs throughout the year. If your family is interested in receiving more information about this program, please contact Program Director, Danielle Bittelman at 920-233-1414, Ext. 24 or danielleb@bgcosh.org.

Catalpa Health Trees from Seeds Mental Health Counseling

Trees from Seeds encourages mental health and wellness of all Club members ages 5-18 by providing mental health therapy and case management services onsite at the Club. The program also provides emotional wellness programs for all Club members. Any parent may request therapy services for their child. Services may include individual, family and/or group therapy. You can call the Trees from Seeds office to schedule an appointment at 920-420-9222. The Trees from Seeds Center is open Monday-Friday during the school year from 3 – 7 p.m.

Tri-County Community Dental Clinic

Each year the Tri-County Community Dental Clinic makes several visits to the Club and provides care to qualifying Club members including basic cleanings, x-rays, sealants and other more comprehensive dental services. If you would like more information about the dental clinic visiting the Club, please contact Family Services Coordinator Julie Morris at juliem@bgcosh.org or 920-233-1414, Ext. 30.

Dental and Vision Care

This program is for Club members who do not have any form of insurance or medical assistance. The Club provides basic eye exams and eyewear for Club members in need. Also, members who need care beyond what is provided through the Tri-County Community Dental Clinic are able to receive assistance through this program as well. If you would like more information about this program, please contact Family Services Coordinator Julie Morris at juliem@bgcosh.org or 920-233-1414, Ext. 30.

Wet Hair Club

The Club's Wet Hair program helps members meet their personal hygiene needs and learn skills to become more independent. Youth who are in the program are able to shower at the Club, wash their clothing at the Club, receive haircuts and work one on one with our Family Services Coordinator to learn about healthy hygiene habits and to receive clean clothing and hygiene products they need. If you would like more information about this program, please contact Family Services Coordinator Julie Morris at juliem@bgcosh.org or 920-233-1414, Ext. 30.

Meal Program

The Club provides free dinner and snack during the school year with the funding from 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. If you have any questions about this program please contact Child Care Director Lindsay Clark at lindsayc@bgcosh.org or 920-233-1414, Ext. 14.

Transportation

Transportation will be available on two different routes for 6th -12th grade youth.

Route 1
West High School, Perry Tipler Middle School, and South Park middle School to the Club.

Route 2
North High School, Merrill Middle School, and Webster Middle School to the Club.

Youth participating in the Great Futures Mentoring Program will have first access to seats in the Club van or bus. Remaining seats are available at a first come first serve basis. For non-mentoring program youth, the cost is \$1 a ride. Prepaid punch cards can be purchased for a discount (\$10 for 15 rides) at the Club prior to riding Club transportation. Any Club member who wishes to use our transportation must have a current consent form signed by a parent or guardian before he or she is able to ride to the Club. Any questions, please contact Program Director, Danielle Bittelman at 920-233-1414, Ext. 24 or danielleb@bgcosh.org.

Please note that if the Oshkosh Area School District cancels after school activities due to weather, Club provided transportation will not run that night either.

Tutoring

All Club members have access to several Academic & Career Specialists during the school year Monday-Friday from 2:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. who can help them with their homework in all subjects, including a tutor who specializes in math. If a child or teen needs assistance outside of that specific time frame, they can work out an alternate schedule with the Club's Director of Academic Success, Leigh Marmes, who can be reached at leighm@bgcosh.org or 920-233-1414, Ext. 20.

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