



July 1, 2020

2020-2021 School Year Programs

BGCT parents and guardians,

Safety remains the number one priority of Boys & Girls Clubs of Topeka, and we are doing everything possible to keep children, our staff, and volunteers protected from the COVID-19 virus. We continue to monitor all updates from the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Shawnee County Health Department and Kansas Department of Health & Environment for updated information.

Given the state of the virus in our community and with guidance from local health officials, the Club plans to provide essential before, after and out of school services for the 2020-2021 school year. We are working with our District partners to map out the school year programs and services. Due to these complex times please anticipate additional safety precautions that will take place to ensure the health and safety of both members and staff:

- Reduced capacity
- Smaller group sizes
- Increased staff support
- Social and physical distancing measures
- Staff will be wearing masks
- Additional cleaning and sanitization protocol
- Increased handwashing
- Additional training requirements for staff on COVID-19 prevention, cleaning and disinfecting

We are approaching the new school year informed and eager to continue our commitment to kids. Our Summer Enrichment program provided us great experience and preparation for the changes we anticipate in the new school year because of the COVID-19 pandemic. As with much of the nation this pandemic has impacted us financially and unfortunately because of this impact and the enhanced protocol you will see a slight increase in fees for the new school year. Please remember that we remain committed to kids who need us most and if there is a fiscal barrier to your child(ren) attending the Club, please contact us and we will work with you. Membership fees will never be a deterrent to Club membership.

There has never been a more important time than now for you to rely on your Boys & Girl Club. These continue to be extraordinary and challenging times for each of us. We assure you of our commitment to youth and their future.

Dawn McWilliams
CEO