



Boys & Girls Club of Detroit Lakes | Fall Newsletter – 2019

Welcome!

We are thrilled to finally have our halls and rooms FILLED with Club members! As I write this, over 200 kids have already walked through our doors and we welcome our returning friends as well as over 50 new members. We are incredibly grateful to all the people who supported us along the way and made this day possible, including the generous donors listed on our donor wall. Please take a moment and read through the names when you get a chance. We have definitely felt the ripple effect of love and support from so many. As with anything new, we are working through some kinks and refining our schedule and programming to best serve our Club members. We appreciate your patience and your assistance in reinforcing the expectations and processes with your Club members as they are tweaked and changed. We welcome your input as we all work together to make our Club the best it can be. Great Futures Start HERE! -- Tami



Mark your calendar!

We follow the Detroit Lakes School District calendar for school closings due to inclement weather or other unexpected closings. If the school closes early or is canceled, we are also **closed**. Please arrange alternative pick up or district bussing drop offs in those cases as we will not have bus service to the Club on those days.

District early outs and school day outs, we are planning to be open – with the exception of holidays and Thanksgiving and winter break when we will close for staff trainings/meetings during the break. Club hours during school day outs are **8:00am-5:00pm**. We can not accommodate anyone earlier or later than that,

in order to be open, staff will be working the full day. These days may be subject to change depending on staff availability as many work in other districts or are in college. If staffing is an issue, we may need to have a sign up sheet, cap it or close all together. If that is the case, signs will be posted in the lobby.

October 18 – Baked Potato Lunch 11:30-1:00, open to the public. Donations go to the United Way of Becker County.

October 31 – **CLOSED** for Club programming but open from 4:00-6:00 for an open house ~FuN HoUsE~ and dinner. Open to the public – games, treats, and activities. Children must have an adult with them.



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Notes and Reminders

Below are a few notes, processes and expectations for your information. Please review, share with your children and ask questions if you don't understand. Thanks!

Certification requirements. We are certified with the state of MN and will have our first "review" the week of October 21. Some paperwork items that need to be in for your registered members include:

- Immunization records
- If your child has ANY - DOCTOR DIAGNOSED - allergy: food, medication, seasonal, bee, or other we must have an allergy form filled out with the Doctor contact name listed.
- If you listed any allergies that are NOT DOCTOR DIAGNOSED please let Kim know so she can note it on the form. Examples: milk and seasonal allergies often fall in this category.

Check IN/OUT. For the safety of our Club members, we ask that you check in at the desk and get a "visitor pass" before walking through the Club. This is also a certification process requirement. We invite you to visit the areas and you are always welcome.

Also, please inform Kim if someone other than yourself is picking up your child. Our process is to call you before releasing the child. If they are on your pick up list we will allow them to leave but if they are not we do our best to get ahold of someone for permission before releasing them.



- ▶ We do our best to keep this facility peanut and tree nut clear. Please do not send food with your child. Talk to them about NOT eating on the bus. We have Club members with allergies and some are sensitive to it even if it is in the air or touches their skin.



- ▶ Please review bus safety rules with your child. Use a quiet voice. Stay seated. Keep your hands to yourself. Move slowly and carefully when getting on and off the bus. Riding the bus is a privilege, not a right. If your child's actions endanger the safety of others, they will not be able to ride.



- ▶ The lost and found is located in the first row of lockers facing the lobby. Please check if your child left something here. Also, we tell Club members to leave hats and sweatshirts with their backpacks – they get dropped on the floor the minute they enter the room and when that happens in the gym, it causes a tripping hazard.

Congratulations to our Board President, Ron Mueller, on receiving the Skipper Award for commitment and service in our region over the past year at the Chamber of Commerce SPLASH Award ceremony, October 3.



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