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BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF SOUTH CENTRAL KANSAS

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A NOTE FROM OUR CEO

The school year started off so rapidly, and we were quickly hit with the same complication as most workplaces: staffing shortages. Due to the safety of our Club members, we unfortunately had to set enrollment capacities at each of our fifteen sites. Our teams are working hard everyday to recruit, hire, and train staff while still operating programs effectively.

Throughout everything, our members have remained at the forefront of our minds in order to provide the best Club experience, and the community support has remained our one constant. You have helped young people feel a sense of belonging and hope in order to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens.

As the craziness of the holidays is about to begin, I just wanted to take this time to truly thank you for all of your dedication and generosity within these thirty two years. Thank you for providing a safe haven for the youth that need us most. You have created opportunities for these young people to thrive, and it would not be possible without you. My deepest gratitude for choosing to support these future generations!

Junnae Campbell, CEO

CLUB HIGHLIGHTS



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

ACADEMIC SUCCESS, HEALTHY LIFESTYLES, & CHARACTER



Power Hour is our homework help program that provides resources for our members to achieve academic success.

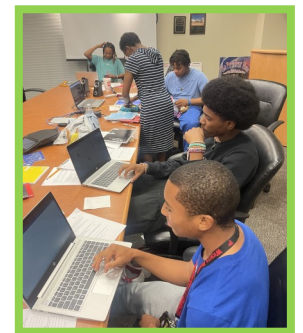
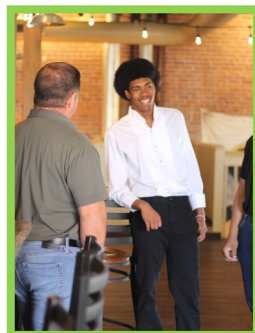


Triple Play is our program that focuses on encouraging healthy lifestyles through physical activity, good nutrition, and developing relationships.



STEM programs have quickly become a Club member favorite! This hands-on learning approach has real world application to help us understand and improve life on earth. Research shows that students who study STEM are more flexible and creative to handle future obstacles.

YOUTH OF THE YEAR



Our Youth of the Year candidates are preparing their essays and speeches for the local competition in January. They also started their community service projects by picking up trash in the local neighborhoods. To celebrate their candidacy, they were invited to a meet and greet with Board members!

PARTNERSHIP

Designing with GoCreate

GoCreate is a creative community workspace where GoCreate members are welcome to bring their plans, designs, and ideas and have a fully equipped space to work on their projects. GoCreate provides the tools, materials, knowledge, and helping hands. They make it possible to make (almost) anything for all ages and experience levels.

GoCreate is piloting a STEM program in partnership with our Maize South Intermediate site. This will include nine weeks of STEM activities, such as an egg drop and creating a custom instrument. Members will be able to dream big and design their creations. But even more importantly, they will test and assess their construction in order to problem solve the best design.

Members will utilize problem solving skills, planning and organization, and most of all perseverance.



These members will also get the opportunity to learn and use the newly donated 3D printer from GoCreate to support their construction! To say members are excited for this task is an understatement.

For more updates on the STEM activities and progress by Club members, follow along on our Facebook page by searching Boys & Girls Clubs of South Central Kansas or by scanning the QR code below!



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GOCREATE

BECAUSE YOU CARED



93% of Club members reported that adults at the Club believe that I will be successful.



70% of our members reported having an increase in self-esteem.

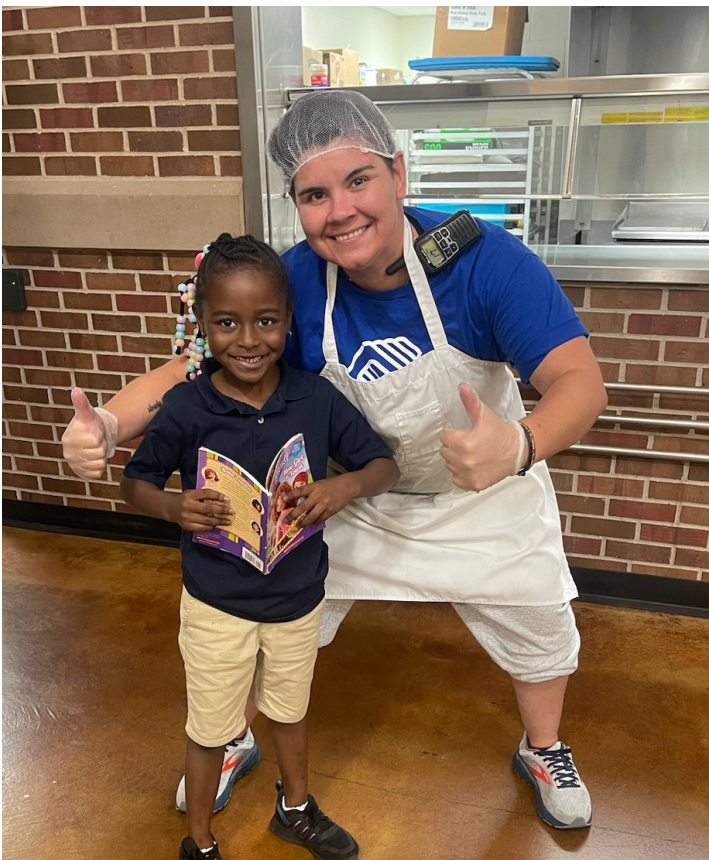


82% of Club members believe they can make a difference in their community.



Volunteer Spotlight

We were able to host the ELEVATE class of emerging leaders from Textron Aviation during their community service day. They were hands-on with our members to design, experiment, and assess the principle of floatation and buoyancy through their handmade boats. Thank you to these amazing leaders for having fun with our members!



THEY NEED YOU!

Please consider donating to continue our mission of enabling young people to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens!

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