

Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Mississippi

Serving the Jackson Metropolitan Area (Hinds and Madison Counties)



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF CENTRAL MISSISSIPPI

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Youth Development Program Overview

Helping our children and teens achieve in our Three Priority Outcome Areas of:

Priority Area	ACADEMIC SUCCESS	GOOD CHARACTER & CITIZENSHIP	HEALTHY LIFESTYLES
Core Area of Youth Development	Education & Career Development The Arts	Character & Leadership	Sports, Fitness & Recreation Health & Life Skills
Evidence-Based Programs	<p>CareerLaunch – Teens embark on a journey to explore careers, make sound educational decisions and find success in the world of work.</p> <p>Diplomas 2 Degrees – Provides a range of services to guide Club members as they work toward high school graduation and prepare for post-secondary education and career success. The Teen College Guide offers tips on achieving academic success and planning for post-secondary education.</p> <p>Junior Staff – Teens will develop interpersonal skills, a strong work ethic and a sense of community engagement while experiencing on-the-job Club work.</p> <p>Money Matters – Promotes financial responsibility and independence among Club members ages 13-18 by building their basic money management skills.</p> <p>Power Hour – Youth ages 6-18 achieve academic success by providing homework help, tutoring and high-yield learning activities and encouraging members to become self-directed learners.</p> <p>Summer Brain Gain - A fun, interactive learning program designed for summer in the Club to reduce summer learning loss in a way that is engaging and empowering for young people.</p> <p>My.Future (“My-Dot-Future”) – Engaging and exciting project experiences that provide members of all ability levels with a foundation of technology skills that explore three central themes: building, exploring and communicating.</p> <p>The Arts – fostering and encouraging Club members’ creativity through artwork, digital photography, drama, music, spoken word, and imaging.</p>	<p>Keystone Club – Gives teens the opportunity to gain valuable leadership and service experience.</p> <p>Torch Club – Charter small-group leadership and service clubs for boys and girls 11-13. 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 development.</p> <p>Toastmasters – Provides mentors to youth to help them build confidence and achieve in public speaking and communication.</p> <p>Youth for Unity – Provides youth and parents with the groundwork that will help them better understand diversity and combat prejudice, bigotry and discrimination.</p> <p>Youth of the Year – Premier recognition program, celebrating the extraordinary achievements of Club members.</p>	<p>Triple Play – Comprehensive health and wellness initiative that strives to improve the overall health of youth by increasing their daily physical activity, teaching them good nutrition and helping them develop healthy relationships.</p> <p>Organized Sports Leagues – Youth participate in organized sporting activities such as flag football, basketball, tennis, volleyball, golf, and baseball. Youth develop interpersonal skills and good sportsmanship.</p> <p>SMART Leaders – Keeps teens involved in a prevention program and prepares them as leaders to help their peers resist using alcohol, tobacco and other drugs, as well as postpone sexual activity.</p> <p>SMART Girls – Small-group health, fitness, and prevention/education and self-esteem enhancement program designed to meet the developmental needs of girls in three age groups.</p> <p>Date SMART – Youth learn how to achieve mutually supportive relationships free of violence and abuse. The program encourages youth to become advocates for relationships that promote equality and respect while combating the attitudes and behaviors that lead to dating, sexual and domestic abuse.</p> <p>Passport to Manhood – Promotes and teaches responsibility in Club boys ages 8-17.</p> <p>Cybersafety – Helps Club members address the perils that youth commonly encounter online and encourage positive dialogue with adults about internet safety.</p>

Mission: To enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to realize their full potential as productive, caring, and responsible citizens.