

Boys & Girls Club of Bloomington-Normal Family Release Form

As the legal parent/guardian of my child(ren) attending the Club during the season indicated above, I have received the Family Handbook and understand it is my responsibility to read, know, understand, and comply with the policies contained therein and any additions made to it. I authorize the following for the Boys & Girls Club of Bloomington-Normal:

EMERGENCY: I understand that in the event of a medical emergency, every effort will be made to contact me. In the event I cannot be reached, I authorized the Boys & Girls Club of Bloomington-Normal ("The Club" or "BGCBN") and its agents and/or employees to secure emergency transportation and to secure and consent to any and all medical care and treatment for my child as deemed necessary by a qualified medical care provider. Should my child(ren) develop a fever over the course of the day I will arrange pickup for my child within 30 minutes of the call. I also understand if my child is taken out of programming or calls out due to illness a doctor's note must be presented before returning.

COVID-19 ADDENDUM: I understand the BGCBN is doing everything to keep my child(ren) safe. I will abide by all policies set forth by the BGCBN as outlined in the Family Handbook. I will communicate with the Club daily and let them know if anyone at home may be showing signs/symptoms of any respiratory infections such as a fever/dry-cough/shortness of breath, or chills, if anyone in the household travels outside of the county or is in contact with anyone outside of the county and/or if anyone in the household has tested positive for COVID-19 or anyone who has had contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19. I understand temperatures will be checked periodically throughout the day and handwashing/hand sanitizing efforts will take place every 30 minutes.

LIABILITY: I understand that The Club is not responsible or liable in any way in the event of harm or injury occurring to my child, including COVID-19 related concerns. It is agreed that I will hold The Club harmless for the actions of my children or the action of other children that result in the harm of others or damage to property, including activities outside of the Club. I authorize The Club to seek medical attention for my child should the need arise. While no personal items (tablets, phones, water bottles, backpacks, etc) are allowed at the Club this summer, the Club is not responsible for lost, damaged or stolen personal items.

PHOTO/VIDEOS: I am giving consent for photographs, videos and/or like materials, in which my son/daughter may appear, to be used in any promotional materials The Club may care to use them.

RELEASE OF INFORMATION: I am giving permission for the school my son/daughter attends to share attendance information, quarter and semester grades, suspension information and standardized test information with the staff of the Boys & Girls Club of Bloomington-Normal.

I also understand that the program my child is in may be covered under a grant and information may be shared with the grant funders. This information will be used only by the staff in aggregated data reports and will not be used in any way that could identify an individual student.

Photocopies of this form shall be considered a valid release for all information. All information recorded will be kept secure and disposed of properly.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH: I understand that there will be onsite counseling options available, to provide group and individual counseling, crisis counseling and therapeutic support, at no cost for our youth. I understand this counselor is a mandated reporter who will keep any information my child shares confidential except as required by the Mandated Reporting Act. I understand that I will be notified of any urgent or safety concerns. If my child is recommended for regular (more than 2x/month) counseling, understand the counselor will contact me to obtain paperwork so that my child's counseling can be covered by Medicaid (if applicable). I understand counseling can bring up a lot of emotions, both positive and negative, and that I can speak with the counselor at any time during BGC hours to discuss my child's needs. I understand my child's participation in this service is completely voluntary.

SAFE PASSAGE POLICY: The safety and protection of the children and youth that we serve is the Club's number one priority. This policy also encourages members to stay at the Club for as long as possible, rather than leave the premises unsupervised where they may be exposed to dangers beyond the control of Club staff.

YES, I give my 13 or older son or daughter permission to walk home NO, I do not give my son or daughter permission to walk home

LATE PICKUP POLICY: Pick up after 5:00 p.m. will result in a charge of \$1 per minute. If family doesn't communicate by 5:00pm we will call local law enforcement to arrange for and escort for your child. Please note a phone call does not make you exempt from the payment. If picking up late becomes habitual, additional action will be taken.

COMMUNICATIONS: I also consent to being added to the Remind.com database to receive updates from the club via text.

ELECTRONIC USE POLICY: I understand and will abide by the Electronic Use Policy of The Club as stated in the Family Handbook. As the parent/guardian, I give permission for my child to use the computer resources at The Club. In addition, personal electronic devices as well as cell phones, are not allow during programming unless the program requires their usage. Should you need to contact your child at the Club, please call your Unit Director.

SURVEY: I consent to my child partaking in the NYOI survey as well as any other surveys conducted by the Boys & Girls Club that will be used to track the wellbeing of members in Boys & Girls Clubs locally, regionally and nationally. I understand the survey asks about the attitudes and health

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behaviors of Club members, including questions about nutrition and physical activity. Teen members aged 13 and older are asked additional questions around alcohol, tobacco and other drug use, fighting, arrests, and whether teens are sexually active.

CLUB RULES: I understand and will abide by the Membership Expectations of The Club as stated in the Family Handbook.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES: It is the policy of The Club to operate primarily during out-of-school time or when school is not in session, including summer.

TRANSPORTATION POLICY: All members and staff will be required to wear PPE when on the bus. Temperatures will be taken before entering. If your child has a temperature, they will be sent back home. All members that ride the bus must understand and follow all the rules. If a member chooses to break a rule, they will not be able to ride the bus. Please understand that transportation at the Club is a privilege.

BUS RULES: I understand and will abide by the Bus Rules for The Club as stated in the Family Handbook. I understand that riding the school bus is a privilege. Boys & Girls Club refers to riding a school bus as an “entitlement” which means that we are not required to provide transportation for any student who does not meet behavior expectations.

FOOD/DRINK POLICY: To prevent issues with allergies and communicable diseases The Club will not allow outside food or drinks (including water) to be eaten at the Club. Every day, all members are given the opportunity to eat hot, nutritious, and balanced meals from our kitchen and will have access to safe drinking water. If your child has a food allergy, please request the separate Food Allergy Form from the Unit Director. The form must be completed by a doctor. Water bottles will be provided daily for all youth.

ILLINOIS ALLIANCE OF BOYS & GIRLS CLUB AND OTHER FUNDING SOURCES: Projects or programs funded in whole or in part with grant money must credit the grant’s portion of the financial support. This handbook citation informs the public that the use of Federal dollars for the 21st Century Program partnership between District 87 and Unit 5 and The Boys & Girls Clubs of Bloomington-Normal meets the Stevens Amendment requirement. Staff development opportunities, resource purchases and personnel have been funded in whole or in part with Federal entitlement dollars.

FAMILY CONSENT FORM: I understand that the operations of the programs of The Club are not regulated by childcare licensing requirements.

SMART PROGRAMMING: As part of the optimal club experience your child will be participating in The Club’s SMART programs. The SMART (Skills Mastery and Resistance Training) programming including SMART Moves, Street SMART, Passport to Manhood and SMART Girls. Participants will be exposed to various activities designed to hone their decision-making and critical thinking skills, as well as learn how to avoid and/or resist alcohol, tobacco, other drugs and premature sexual activity. The program will address positive, healthy body images healthy lifestyles including diet, exercise, and personal hygiene; physical and emotional growth associated with puberty including but not limited to sexually transmitted diseases, sexual truths and myths, menstruation, and the importance of regular exams; other questions boys and girls have will also be addressed with an appropriate staff member and/or brought to your attention when necessary. The programs are designed to targeted effort to engage young boys and girls in discussions activities that reinforce positive behavior.

YES, I give my son or daughter permission to participate in the SMART Program(s)
 NO, I do not give my son or daughter permission to participate in the SMART Program(s)

DROP-OFF: Other than staff, only children will be allowed in the building. Drop off & pick up will be held outside the main doors. For drop-off please remain in your car and park on the curb in front of the front entrance of the Club. Your child will get out of the vehicle and be greeted by staff before entering. Please remain parked in your car until the staff member waves you an all clear on the temperature check.

DESIGNATED PICK-UP TIMES: In order to provide quality programming for our youth we need your help. We are requesting that you pick up your child at the end of scheduled programming: For our K – 5 Club you may pick-up after 3:00pm but before 5:00pm; For our Junior High and High School Clubs between 3:00pm – 5:00pm as well. For pick-up please call 309-829-3034 and ask that your child(ren) be sent outside. When picking up please remain in vehicle. Be prepared to show an ID card or we may give you a card you will need to have in your vehicle for pickup.

The Club reserves the right to terminate this membership if deemed necessary, for the sake of any child’s well-being.

I have read and understand the information in the Family Handbook and I agree to follow the rules and procedures listed. I understand that any violation of the Handbook may result in termination of my membership at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Bloomington Normal.

I have read all of the above information and agree to the terms set forth by The Boys & Girls Club of Bloomington-Normal.

Print Family/Guardian Name: _____

Family/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Member Name(s): _____