



GREAT FUTURES START **HERE.**



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
OF LA PLATA COUNTY**

Summer 2025 Club Orientation

The mission of the Boys & Girls Club of La Plata County is to enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, and responsible citizens.



Summer Registration requires a current Boys & Girls Club of La Plata County membership.

Membership is FREE, thanks to generous donors. Membership and program registration is accessed through the Club's website bgclaplata.org

For membership or program enrollment assistance contact info@bgclaplata.org

Club Hours of Operation / Fees

Mon – Thurs 7:30am-5:30pm

Kids going into 4th gr – 6th gr. / \$25 per day*\
Free 7th gr and older

*Need-based Financial Assistance may be available.

The Main Ave Club facility is closed to individuals other than Club staff and Club members. Parents/Guardians may pick up their Club members at the Club's front door.

The Boys & Girls Club of La Plata County provides a safe, structured environment with fun activities designed to boost academic performance, reduce risky behaviors, and promote healthy lifestyle choices.





Summer 2025

- Kids going into 1st gr - 3rd Gr attend the Club program at Needham Elementary School
- Kids 4th gr - 12th gr attend the Club's 2750 Main Ave Clubhouse

What to Bring:

Club members will be outside throughout the day. To ensure a great summer, Club members should bring:

- A refillable water bottle
- Lunch and a snack. The Club does not provide access to refrigeration or microwaves.
- A hat and sunscreen (Club member's name written on the sunscreen). Club member's will be required to apply their own sunscreen.

Weekly Swim Days will be announced in advance. Club members are to bring a swimsuit and towel.

The Club provides materials, games, and equipment; therefore, *Club members are discouraged from bringing personal items/toys to the Club.*

If misplaced or broken, personal items/toys will not be replaced by the Club.



For everyone's safety **FLIP-FLOPS**, **Crocs** and similar shoes are **NOT** permitted.

Parents/guardians will be called to bring replacement footwear.

The Club follows school dress codes, and clothing displaying inappropriate or offensive images, messages, or symbols is not permitted.



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A FORMULA FOR GREAT FUTURES:

YOUNG PEOPLE
WHO NEED US
MOST



OUTCOME-DRIVEN
CLUB EXPERIENCE
THAT INCLUDES:



PRIORITY
OUTCOMES



The 5 Key Elements
for Positive Youth Development

1. Safe, Positive Environment
2. FUN
3. Supportive Relationships
4. Opportunities & Expectations
5. Recognition



High-Yield Activities

Targeted Programs

Regular Attendance



ACADEMIC SUCCESS

Graduate from high school
with a plan



GOOD CHARACTER & CITIZENSHIP

Be an engaged citizen in your
community, register to vote
and model strong character



HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

Adopt a healthy diet and
practice healthy lifestyle
choices

Field Trips

- Offsite travel includes walking or transportation provided by the Club.
- Some off-site activities are provided at no charge, while other activities include a modest fee. Incidental purchases (snacks, souvenirs) are the responsibility of Club members. *Club staff is not permitted to hold money for Club members.*



For the safety and well-being of all Club members and staff:

- The Club follows local, State, and Federal public health guidelines. The Club does not have a nurse on site.
- Club staff are mandatory reporters. Staff is required, by law, to report any suspicions of abuse or neglect to the Department of Human Services.
- Any Club member who is sick, may not attend the Club. Parents/guardians will be called if their child/teen becomes ill while at the Club. The child/teen must be picked up as soon as possible.
- Club staff are trained in CPR/First Aid and are AED certified.
- In the event of a life-threatening emergency, warranting medical attention, Club staff will call 911. Parents/guardians will be notified.
- If there are individuals who are NOT ALLOWED to pick up your child/teen, the Club must be provided with **written documentation**. It is imperative that any changes in status or family situation be communicated to the in a timely manner. info@bgclaplata.org

Parents/guardians are required to provide current contact information (cell phone/email) for themselves as well as the individuals listed in case of an emergency.”
970/375-0010 ext 1 info@bgclaplata.org

- Parents/Guardians will receive email ALERT Notifications from the Club in case of urgent operation changes

Discipline Guidelines

- Providing a safe environment (both physical and emotional) is a Club priority. The Club's guidance, and as required, restorative discipline model is progressive, based on the severity of the incident. The Club focuses on prevention, taking advantage of teachable opportunities through restorative protocols.
- Any Club member who behaves in a way deemed by staff to be disruptive, and /or physically or emotionally dangerous, or who abuses privileges (including the use of Club technology) will be disciplined appropriately.
 - Club privileges can be revoked. Any persons who are deemed in violation of the Club's Code of Conduct will be subject to removal from the Club facility.
- Parents/Guardians who display behaviors or clear indicators that they may be impaired or in crisis, will not be allowed to pick up their child/teen. Club staff will calmly work with the parent/guardian to find an alternative transportation option. If the parent/guardian becomes combative or insists on taking their child/teen, Club staff are required to call 911.

Club staff is available to assist parents/guardians with any questions, concerns, or suggestions. Jerad.bussell@bgclaplata.org

Parent/Guardian Safety Resources:

Safe-to-Tell: <https://safe2tell.org>

Bullying Prevention: <https://www.stopbullying.gov/prevention/how-to-prevent-bullying>

Child Safety: <https://www.begca.org/about-us/child-safety>

Boys & Girls Club of La Plata County Code of Conduct

- Be Safe
- Respect yourself
- Respect the staff
- Respect other Club members
- Respect Club equipment
- Have **FUN!**
- **BE GREAT!**

