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BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
OF EAST AURORA

2026/2027 PROGRAM GUIDE

East Aurora Needs Club Kids

Club Kids Need You.

OPENING DAY
THURSDAY SEPT. 3, 2026

ACADEMIC SUCCESS
Build skills.
Reach goals.

GOOD CHARACTER & CITIZENSHIP
Be kind.
Make a difference.

HEALTHY LIFESTYLES
Stay active.
Live well.

24 Paine Street | East Aurora, NY 14052 | 716-652-4180 | www.BGCEA.org

WELCOME
TO THE CLUB!

Welcome to the 2026–2027 school year at the Boys & Girls Club of East Aurora! The Club is more than just a place to go after school, it is a place where youth feel welcomed, supported, and inspired to succeed. Every day, children and teens build friendships, discover new interests, and gain confidence through caring mentors and engaging programs. At the Club, members are encouraged to achieve academic success, stay active and healthy, develop leadership skills, and make a positive impact in their community. We are proud to provide meaningful opportunities and life-changing experiences that help shape the future leaders of East Aurora.

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
OF EAST AURORA

OUR MISSION

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

AT THE CLUB, KIDS:

- Improve Academic Success
- Explore the Arts & Creativity
- Stay Active & Healthy
- Build Friendships & Belonging
- Develop Leadership Skills
- Give Back to Their Community

SUPPORT OUR CLUB

EAST AURORA NEEDS CLUB KIDS
CLUB KIDS NEED YOU

Your support helps local youth thrive every day.

Children in East Aurora need a safe place where they can learn, grow, and be known. Your donation to the Boys & Girls Club of East Aurora will support after-school and summer programs that help youth gain the skills and knowledge today to become the successful leaders this community needs tomorrow. To make your life-saving gift today, please go to www.bgcea.org.

THE HERITAGE CLUB

A GIFT THAT CONTINUES GIVING

Heritage Club is an opportunity for donors to pass down their legacy to the next generation. Your charitable gift through your estate plan, will, life insurance, or 401 (k) disbursement will provide vital support to future Club kids. For more information, please visit our website at www.bgcea.org.

2,500+
Youth Served

87
Years of Impact

65+
Programs & Activities

100 CLUB RAFFLE

Looking for a fun way to support the Club? Purchase a 100 Club raffle ticket this Fall. Only 100 tickets will be sold for this 10-month raffle. An exciting prize valued at $500 will be raffled every month. Please go to www.bgcea.org to get your ticket in November.

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PREVENTION SPECIALISTS

Everyone needs someone to talk to at times. Our Prevention Specialist, licensed therapist Jessica Holbrook, is available to support your child's specific needs. If your child is struggling to make friends or facing challenges at school or home, contact the Club at (716) 652-4180. We offer evening sessions and group programs to help youth make healthy choices and promote personal growth.

SPONSORED BY THE NYS LEGISLATION

TOP CLUB WITH MS. OAR

TOP Club is a national Boys & Girls Clubs of America leadership program for youth ages 11–13. Members participate in community service, leadership activities, and team-building experiences while developing valuable life skills and making a positive impact in their Club and community.
Run by Ms. Oar. For more information, contact koar@bgcea.org

AUCTION 2026

CAMPFIRE & COCKTAILS AUCTION 2026

On October 17, 2026, from 5:30 to 10:30 PM, the Boys & Girls Club of East Aurora will transform into Camp Ska-No-Ka-San as we host our highly anticipated Campfire & Cocktails - Auction Night. This evening will be filled with fun, laughter, and a shared commitment to supporting the youth of our community. Guests will have the opportunity to bid on exciting items in our basket raffle and silent auction while enjoying the open bar.

This entire evening raises funds for the Boys and Girls Club of East Aurora, supporting youth programs, expanding resources for our staff, and providing a safe place for our kids. Thank you for your continued support!

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MEET OUR STAFF

Gary D. Schutrum
Chief Executive Officer

Neil Parrish
Site Director

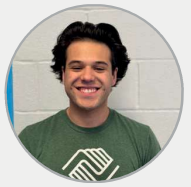
Deb Becker
School-Age Program Coordinator

Michelle Wendelboe
Office Manager

Christina Potempa
Resource Development Director

Ms. Katie Oar
Education Director

Olivia Hintz
Arts & Craft Director



Jimmy Tresmond
Games Room Director

Tracy Gavin
Front Desk Volunteer

Jim Guzzino
Front Desk Volunteer

Not Pictured:

Matt Dembrow
Athletic Director

Jessica Holbrook
Prevention Specialist

MEMBERSHIP RATES

(SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

FULL PROGRAM YEAR MEMBERSHIP

Grades 2–6 | $375

Grades 7–8 | $200

HALF PROGRAM YEAR MEMBERSHIP

Grades 2–6 | $200

Grades 7–8 | $100

LATE PROGRAM YEAR RATE

Grades 2–8 | $100

Grades 9–12 FREE

(Program fees may apply)

CLUB HOURS

The Club follows the East Auora Union Free School District Calendar

Sept. 4 – Oct. 17
Mon–Fri After School – 6pm

Oct. 20 – June 12
Mon–Fri After School – 6pm

½-Days & Conference Days
Immediately following dismissal – 6pm

PROGRAM CALENDAR (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

- **Opening Day** — Thurs, Sept. 3, 2026
- **Fall Session** — Sept. 15-Nov. 14
- **Early Winter Session** — Nov. 24–Feb. 6
- **Late Winter Session** — Feb. 23–May 1
- **Spring Session** — May 4–June 12
- **Club Closes for the Summer** — June 12, 2026

ADDITIONAL PROGRAM FEES

- Travel Basketball Leagues – Club Member $90| Non-Member $140
- Dance Program – Club Member $90| Non-Member $140
- Peanut Patrol – $60 per 8-week session
- Theatre at the Club - $25 On top of Membership Fee
- Summer Camp – $600 (transportation included)
- Winter & Spring Break Field Trips – TBD
- MS & HS Events/Dances – $10 per event

SCAN HERE
to visit our website
www.BGCEA.org

EVENTS & CHILD CARE

SCHOOL-AGE CHILD CARE

The Club provides a high-quality before and after-school program at Parkdale Elementary and at the Club on Paine Street, ensuring a nurturing environment that addresses your child's physical, intellectual, social, and emotional needs.

Contact Deb Becker, School-Age Program Coordinator at (716) 655-5051 or dbecker@bgcea.org.

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MIDDLE SCHOOL FUN NIGHTS

7-10 PM

Dates are to be determined.

Please visit our website at www.bgcea.org for the latest updates.

Admission is $10, and club membership is not required.

LIVESAFE APP

Download App

5TH QUARTER NIGHTS

Monthly High School Teen Night

Join us following home and away football and basketball games for an exciting Teen Night!

Activities include:

- Camp Night
- Mighty Taco Night
- Games Room Tournament Nights
- Holiday Sweater Party
- Open Stage Night
- Bubble Soccer Night
- Team Dodgeball Tournament
- Encore Talent Show Night
- Backyard Cook-Out

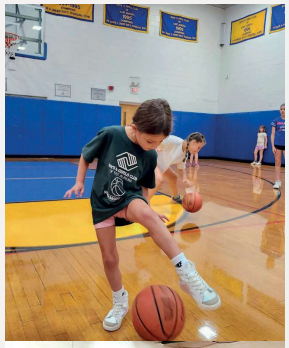
Specific dates and times will be announced soon. Come and have fun with us!

BASKETBALL & DANCE PROGRAMS

TRAVEL HOUSE BASKETBALL

Sign-Up Required, Tentative Schedule

- **Program Fee Required**
  - The program begins in early November, with registration available in October at www.bgcea.org. Please note that practice times and dates are tentative and subject to change.
- **Boys Grades 2–4**
  - Practices: Friday afternoons 4:45–5:45 PM or 5:45–6:45 PM
  - Games: Saturday mornings
- **Boys Grades 5–6**
  - Practices: Monday and Wednesday evenings 5:45–7:15 PM
  - Games: Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings
- **Girls Grades 5–6**
  - Practices: Tuesday and Thursday evenings 5:45–7:15 PM
  - Games: Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings
- **Girls Grades 2–4 House Basketball**
  - Begins at the end of January 2026.



COACHES ARE NEEDED—email Matt at mdembrow@bgcea.org if interested.

DANCE PROGRAM WITH CAROLINE

Sponsored by the Variety Club | Boys & Girls Ages 3+ | Sign-Up Required

Classes will begin in October and will be held once a week. The schedule is tentatively set for Mondays, Tuesdays, or Thursdays, depending on your child's age group. Classes will take place at the Boys & Girls Club. For more information, please visit our website at www.bgcea.org or email mwendelboe@bgcea.org.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

AGE REQUIREMENTS

- Grades 2–12 eligible for full membership
- Peanut Patrol: Ages 5–7
- School-Age Program: Grades K–4

BECOMING A MEMBER

- Complete online registration at www.bgcea.org
- Membership is active once payment is received
- Scholarships available for qualifying families
- Contact mwendelboe@bgcea.org for assistance

MEMBERSHIP DETAILS

- Please note that starting next year, online registration will be transitioning to MyClubHub, our new registration platform.
- Membership cards available for Grades 2–6
- Members must sign in daily at the Front Desk
- 2025 Memberships expire September 30, 2026
- Membership dues are non-refundable
- All memberships must be renewed annually

2027 SUMMER CAMP Dates

(Tentative Dates)

CAMP SKA-NO-KA-SAM
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF EAST AURORA

Boys
2-Week Session
June 28 – July 9
No Camp 7/5

Girls
2-Week Session
July 12-July 23

Boys
1-Week Session
July 26- July 30

Girls
1-Week Session
Aug. 2- Aug. 6

THANK YOU TO ERIE COUNTY FOR SUPPORTING CAMP SKA-NO-KA-SAN

ATHLETICS

Building teamwork, confidence, and healthy lifestyles.

TRIPLE PLAY

(Drop-In)

A game plan for the mind, body and soul

Daily Physical Challenge

Co-Ed Grades 5-8

Monday-Friday, 2:45-3:15pm

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NFL FLAG

Boys Grades 5-8

Mon/Wed/Fri | 3:15–4:15 pm

Boys Grades 2-4

Mon/Wed/Fri | 4:15–5:45 pm

Girls Grades 5-8

Tues/Thurs | 3:15–4:15 pm

Girls Grades 2-4

Tues/Thurs | 4:15–5:45 pm

Co-Ed Open Gym

Tues/Thurs | 5:15–5:45 pm

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SWOOSH CLUB

Club members Grades 2-9 are needed to volunteer their time to help referee games, record stats, and keep the time and score on the clock.

See Matt for more information!

SOCIAL RECREATION WITH JIMMY

GAMES ROOM SCHEDULE

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
• Air Hockey • Card Stacking • Board/Card Games • Minute to Win It • Trivia • Beat the Staff	• Pool • Basketball Fever • Smart Board Games • Jeopardy • Tournament Style Games • Beat the Staff	• Connect 4 • Bubble Hockey • Rubik's Race • Elimination • Tournament Style Games • Beat the Staff	• Bubble Hockey • Connect 4 • Defender • Chess King of the Court • Trivia • Beat the Staff	• Basketball Fever • Pool Challenges • Binho • Infinity Board • Beat the Staff

PEANUT PATROL

Grades K-2 Wednesdays| 3:45-5:15 pm

A program designed for new and potential Club members in Grades K–2. Spend a little time in each area of the Club to become familiar with the programs we offer. Program fee required: $60 per 8-week session. Spots are limited and on a first-come, first-served basis.

More information can be found on our website, www.bgcea.org.

CAMP AUTUMN

Sign-Up Required |Tuesdays | 3:30-6:00 PM

Spend Tuesdays 3:30-6:00 PM @ Camp Ska-No-Ka-San. Start date is Sept. 9 and will run for 6 weeks (weather permitting). Transportation provided by the Club van. A program fee of $60 is required. Spots are limited and on a first-come, first-served basis. More information will be available on our website, www.bgcea.org.

TEEN PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Leadership. Friendship. Community. Opportunity.

TRIPLE PLAY

Challenge yourself and others in our Teen Room with fun activities like Would You Rather, UNO, Cornhole, Find the Difference, Dart League, Flow Free Challenge, smart screen games, and tournaments for NFL, NBA, and NHL.

(Drop-In)

Social Recreation Challenges

Grades 5-8

Monday-Friday, 2:45-5:45 pm

LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

TORCH CLUB

Grades 7-8 | Wednesdays| 7:30–9 pm

- Weekly small group meetings for teen leadership
- Opportunities for leadership and service
- Discussions on current events and issues

JUNIOR STAFF

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Grades 5–8 Tuesday | 3:15-3:45 pm

Sign up in the Teen Room for more information and an application. Help manage the snack bar, learn how
to run a small business, prepare for a job, and learn how to be a great employee!

KEYSTONE

Grades 9-12
Sundays| 7:30–9 pm

Keystone Club is the premier teen program of BGCA, offering a distinctive leadership development experience with activities both inside and outside the Club.

The program focuses on three key areas:

- academic success
- career preparation
- community service

If interested, contact Gavin at ggriffin@bgcea.org

ATHLETICS

Building teamwork, confidence, and healthy lifestyles.

MULTI-PURPOSE GYM WITH DOM

Monday:

Kickball | 3:15- 3:45 pm

Handball | 4:45- 5:15 pm

Tuesday:

Capture the Flag| 3:15- 3:45 pm

Soccer| 4:45- 5:15 pm

Wednesday:

GaGa Ball| 3:15- 3:45 pm

GaGa Ball| 4:45- 5:15 pm

Thursday:

Capture the Flag| 3:15- 3:45 pm

Soccer| 4:45- 5:15 pm

Friday:

Member Choice| 3:15- 3:45 pm

Dodgeball Tournament 4:45- 5:15 pm

Daily:

Dodgeball with Neil | 4:15- 4:15 pm

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for Flag Football Schedules

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THE ARTS

ARTS & CRAFTS (Drop In)

SPONSORED BY THE VARIETY CLUB OF BUFFALO | FORD STAMPING PLANT

Grades 2-8 | Mon.-Fri. | 2:30 pm -5:30pm

- Daily creative projects and activities
- Clay, ceramics, painting & drawing
- Pottery wheel and bead creations
- Weekly STEM activities

ART CLASSES WITH OLIVIA

Monday-Friday at 4:15pm

Monday:	Tuesday:	Wednesday:	Thursday:	Friday:
Scrapbooking	Drawing Club	Clay & Claymation	Game Design	Print Masters

COOKING & BAKING WITH ALLISON

SPONSORED BY NYS

Learn healthy recipes and gain hands-on cooking experiences

Sign-Ups Required

Grades 2–4	Grades 5-8
Mondays at 3:45 pm	Fridays at 3:30 pm

THEATRE AT THE CLUB

SPOTLIGHT SERIES

MONDAYS (9/14 - 11/9) GRADES 5-8 2:45-3:30 GRADES 2-4 3:45-4:30

Are you ready to shine? Join a professional actor/director and explore the basics of live theatre! Students build performing skills through play while polishing their most important soft skills, including public speaking, active listening, and collaboration/teamwork. Whether your child is a rising star or has never seen a play before, Spotlight Series is designed to welcome and encourage all young actors and theatre makers.

*SIGN UPS REQUIRED, REGISTER AT BGCEA.ORG

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING

Homework Help & Academic Support with Ms. Oar

SPONSORED BY THE CULLY FAMILY AND M&T BANK FOUNDATION

POWER HOUR All Grades Mon. – Fri. | 2:30–4:45pm

Need help with homework? Daily tutoring is available from a certified educator!

PowerHour supports student success by reinforcing school learning and building strong study habits. Students can drop in for academic assistance and improve their skills in a supportive environment.

Plus, students earn PowerHour points for participating in educational activities! These can be redeemed for fun rewards, such as pizza parties and candy, throughout the year.

Join us to learn, grow, and enhance your academic performance with PowerHour!

For more information on educational programs, Contact Katie Oar at koar@bgcea.org.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Inventors Club	Read & React	Game On	Think Tank	Choice Friday

MYFUTURE

- Digital learning curriculum
- Technology and media skills
- Personalized online experiences
- Earn certifications and badges
- Prepare for future careers

DECISION MAKING PROGRAMMING

SPONSORED BY THE NYS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

SMART MOVES

Sign-Up Required, See Ms. Oar

The Smart Moves program helps youth recognize and resist peer pressure and media influences that promote high-risk behaviors by providing age-appropriate information and skills to confidently say "NO" to these pressures.

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MONEY MATTERS

Money Matters teaches kids how to be economically successful in the future through fun financial lessons today. Middle school members learn how to set goals, budget, save, and invest. They also have an opportunity to learn how to trade stocks through the SIFMA Foundation.