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# Dear Parents and Families;

The Boys & Girls Club Mission is to "Empower all young people to reach their full potential". We believe in your child, and we are here to support them to be as academically successful and prepared as possible. We strive to ensure that "Summer Matters: Brain Gain, not Brain Drain"! Research shows that without participating in academically enriching activities that are related to reading, vocabulary, science, and other thought-provoking activities during the summer, a young person is at risk of returning to school in the fall at the level they were at in February or March! We want to ensure that our Boys & Girls Club members enter the 2013/14 School Year prepared and on-schedule for the year ahead.

To accomplish this, our staff has prepared an exciting Summer Schedule filled with fun programs and activities that include time for you child to read, explore and learn about the environment, express themselves through art and poetry, engage in technology, and use math skills to acquire cooking skills to name a few. Programs are age-specific, so that you can be assured they will be participating in learning opportunities appropriate for their grade-level.

Additional research indicates that young people who attend Summer Programs such as the Boys & Girls Club tend to stay more physically active and are less likely to gain unhealthy weight over the summer months. Our kids will definitely be staying active and fit as they participate in the BE Fit programs.

By turning every opportunity into a "Learning Moment", and keeping your child engaged in meaningful programs, we will be providing them with a safe, engaging, and FUN summer experience. We look forward to having them join us this summer.



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# Summer 2013 Program Schedule Gold Group grades 2-5 Session 1

**Swimming** 

| MONDAY 6/10/13  | TUESDAY 6/11/13  | WEDNESDAY 6/12/13   | THURSDAY 6/13/13  | FRIDAY 6/14/13   |
|---|--|---|---|--|
|   | Summer Celebration!  | BGC Field Day Beach Trip Pre-Summer Clean-up Goal Setting for Summer                                | BGC Field Day<br>Nature Walk<br>Goal Setting for Summer                                   | BGC Field Day<br>Beach Trip<br>W.O.R.D.S.  |
| MONDAY 6/17/13  | TUESDAY 6/18/13  | WEDNESDAY 6/19/13   | THURSDAY 6/20/13  | FRIDAY 6/21/13   |
| <ul><li>W.O.R.D.S.</li><li>Youth for Unity</li><li>Be Fit</li></ul> | <ul> <li>GEMS/Passport to<br/>Manhood</li> <li>Around the World</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>W.O.R.D.S.</li> <li>Green Tech Academy</li> <li>Youth for Unity</li> <li>Be Fit</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Robo-Tech Design</li> <li>Be Great Graduate</li> <li>Around the World</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Green Tech Academy</li> <li>Be Fit</li> <li>W.O.R.D.S.</li> <li>GEMS/Passport to<br/>Manhood</li> </ul> |
|   | PLUS: Farmers Market Swimming  | PLUS: Off-Site Nature Walk  | PLUS: Art Show at LTCC Swimming   | PLUS:<br>Beach Trip  |
| MONDAY 6/24/13  | TUESDAY 6/25/13  | WEDNESDAY 6/26/13   | THURSDAY 6/27/13  | FRIDAY 6/28/13   |
| W.O.R.D.S.     Youth for Unity     Be Fit                           | <ul> <li>GEMS/Passport to<br/>Manhood</li> <li>Around the World</li> </ul> | <ul><li>W.O.R.D.S.</li><li>Green Tech Academy</li><li>Youth for Unity</li><li>Be Fit</li></ul>      | Robo-Tech Design     Be Great Graduate     Around the World                               | <ul> <li>Green Tech Academy</li> <li>Be Fit</li> <li>W.O.R.D.S.</li> <li>GEMS/Passport to<br/>Manhood</li> </ul> |
|   | PLUS: Farmers Market Swimming  | PLUS: Taylor Creek Trip   | PLUS:<br>Swimming   | PLUS:  Beach Trip  |

**BIKE RODEO** 

| MONDAY 7/1/13   | TUESDAY 7/2/13   | WEDNESDAY 7/3/13   | THURSDAY 7/4/13         | FRIDAY 7/5/13  |
|---|--|--|-------------------------|--|
| <ul><li>W.O.R.D.S.</li><li>Youth for Unity</li><li>Be Fit</li></ul> | <ul> <li>GEMS/Passport to<br/>Manhood</li> <li>Around the World</li> </ul> PLUS: | <ul><li>W.O.R.D.S.</li><li>Green Tech Academy</li><li>Youth for Unity</li><li>Be Fit</li></ul> | CLOSED-Independence Day | <ul> <li>Green Tech Academy</li> <li>Be Fit</li> <li>W.O.R.D.S.</li> <li>GEMS/Passport to<br/>Manhood</li> </ul> |
|   | Farmers Market Swimming Jr. Giants   | PLUS: Eagle Falls Field Trip   |                         | PLUS:<br>Beach Trip  |

| MONDAY 7/8/13   | TUESDAY 7/9/13   | WEDNESDAY 7/10/13   | THURSDAY 7/11/13  | FRIDAY 7/12/13   |
|---|--|---|---|--|
| <ul><li>W.O.R.D.S.</li><li>Youth for Unity</li><li>Be Fit</li></ul> | <ul> <li>GEMS/Passport to<br/>Manhood</li> <li>Around the World</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>W.O.R.D.S.</li> <li>Green Tech Academy</li> <li>Youth for Unity</li> <li>Be Fit</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Robo-Tech Design</li> <li>Be Great Graduate</li> <li>Around the World</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Green Tech Academy</li> <li>Be Fit</li> <li>W.O.R.D.S.</li> <li>GEMS/Passport to<br/>Manhood</li> </ul> |
|   | PLUS: Farmers Market Swimming Jr. Giants                                   | PLUS: Off-Site Nature Walk  | PLUS: Swimming Jr. Giants   | PLUS: Beach Trip Bowling @ TAHOE BOWL  |

| MONDAY 7/15/13                      | TUESDAY 7/16/13                      | WEDNESDAY 7/17/13                      | THURSDAY 7/18/13                      | FRIDAY 7/19/13                       |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| • W.O.R.D.S.                        | <ul> <li>GEMS/Passport to</li> </ul> | • W.O.R.D.S.                           | <ul> <li>Robo-Tech Design</li> </ul>  | Green Tech Academy                   |
| <ul> <li>Youth for Unity</li> </ul> | Manhood                              | <ul> <li>Green Tech Academy</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Be Great Graduate</li> </ul> | Be Fit                               |
| Be Fit                              | <ul> <li>Around the World</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Youth for Unity</li> </ul>    | <ul> <li>Around the World</li> </ul>  | • W.O.R.D.S.                         |
|                                     |                                      | Be Fit                                 |                                       | <ul> <li>GEMS/Passport to</li> </ul> |
|                                     | PLUS:                                |  |                                       | Manhood                              |
|                                     | Farmers Market                       | PLUS:                                  | PLUS:                                 |                                      |
|                                     | Swimming                             | Off-Site Nature Walk                   | Swimming                              | PLUS:                                |
|                                     | Jr. Giants                           |  | Jr. Giants                            | Tallac Historic Site Field Trip      |
|                                     |                                      |  | J. Giants                             |                                      |

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- Swimming takes place at the Rec. Center pool. A swim membership is \$45 per child.
- Members interested in Jr. Giants must register online. It's free!



# Summer 2013 Program Gold Group grades 2-5 Session 2

| <ul> <li>MONDAY 7/22/13</li> <li>Green Tech Academy</li> <li>GEMS/Passport to<br/>Manhood</li> <li>W.O.R.D.S</li> </ul> | TUESDAY 7/23/13  Be Fit  Youth for Unity Be Great Graduate  PLUS: Farmers Market Swimming Jr. Giants | <ul> <li>WEDNESDAY 7/24/13</li> <li>Be Great Graduate</li> <li>Around the World</li> <li>W.O.R.D.S.</li> <li>Robo-Tech Design</li> </ul> PLUS: Van Sickle Bi-State Park Trip | THURSDAY 7/25/13      Be Fit     Youth for Unity     Green Tech Academy  PLUS: Swimming Jr. Giants | FRIDAY 7/26/13  |
|---|--|--|--|---|
| MONDAY 7/29/13  • Green Tech Academy  • GEMS/Passport to  Manhood   | TUESDAY 7/30/13  Be Fit Youth for Unity Be Great Graduate  | <ul> <li>WEDNESDAY 7/31/13</li> <li>Be Great Graduate</li> <li>Around the World</li> <li>W.O.R.D.S.</li> </ul>   | THURSDAY 8/1/13  Be Fit  Youth for Unity Green Tech Academy  | FRIDAY 8/2/13  • Around the World • W.O.R.D.S. • GEMS/Passport to |

| MONDAY 8/5/13   | TUESDAY 8/6/13   | WEDNESDAY 8/7/13  | THURSDAY 8/8/13   | FRIDAY 8/9/13  |
|---|--|---|---|--|
| <ul> <li>Green Tech Academy</li> <li>GEMS/Passport to<br/>Manhood</li> <li>W.O.R.D.S</li> </ul> | <ul><li>Be Fit</li><li>Youth for Unity</li><li>Be Great Graduate</li></ul> | <ul> <li>Be Great Graduate</li> <li>Around the World</li> <li>W.O.R.D.S.</li> <li>Robo-Tech Design</li> </ul> | <ul><li>Be Fit</li><li>Youth for Unity</li><li>Green Tech Academy</li></ul> | <ul> <li>Around the World</li> <li>W.O.R.D.S.</li> <li>GEMS/Passport to<br/>Manhood</li> </ul> |
| Bug Camp  ◆   | PLUS: Farmers Market Swimming Jr. Giants                                   | PLUS: Fallen Leaf Lake  | PLUS: Swimming Jr. Giants   | PLUS: Beach Trip   |

| MONDAY 8/12/13  | TUESDAY 8/13/13  | WEDNESDAY 8/14/13   | THURSDAY 8/15/13  | FRIDAY 8/16/13   |
|---|--|---|---|--|
| <ul> <li>Green Tech Academy</li> <li>GEMS/Passport to<br/>Manhood</li> <li>W.O.R.D.S</li> </ul> | <ul><li>Be Fit</li><li>Youth for Unity</li><li>Be Great Graduate</li></ul> | <ul> <li>Be Great Graduate</li> <li>Around the World</li> <li>W.O.R.D.S.</li> <li>Robo-Tech Design</li> </ul> | <ul><li>Be Fit</li><li>Youth for Unity</li><li>Green Tech Academy</li></ul> | <ul><li>Around the World</li><li>W.O.R.D.S.</li><li>GEMS/Passport to<br/>Manhood</li></ul> |
|   | PLUS: Farmers Market Swimming Jr. Giants                                   | PLUS:<br>Rabe Meadows Beach Walk  | PLUS: Swimming Jr. Giants   | PLUS:<br>Beach Trip  |

| MONDAY 8/19//13   | TUESDAY 8/20/13  | WEDNESDAY 8/21/13   | THURSDAY 8/22/13  | FRIDAY 8/23/13   |
|---|--|---|---|--|
| <ul> <li>Green Tech Academy</li> <li>GEMS/Passport to<br/>Manhood</li> <li>W.O.R.D.S</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Be Fit</li> <li>Youth for Unity</li> <li>Be Great Graduate</li> </ul> PLUS: | <ul> <li>Be Great Graduate</li> <li>Around the World</li> <li>W.O.R.D.S.</li> <li>Robo-Tech Design</li> </ul> | <ul><li>Be Fit</li><li>Youth for Unity</li><li>Green Tech Academy</li></ul> | <ul><li>Around the World</li><li>W.O.R.D.S.</li><li>GEMS/Passport to<br/>Manhood</li></ul> |
|   | Farmers Market Swimming Jr. Giants *Special Guest Performance*                       | PLUS: Off-Site Nature Walk  | PLUS:<br>Ice Skating Rink Trip<br>Swimming                                  | PLUS:<br>Beach Trip  |

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Summer 2013 Program Descriptions Gold Group Grades 2-5

# W.O.R.D.S. (World of Reading During Summer):

This program provides on-going focus on literacy and language arts. Members will be engaged in a variety of reading opportunities, visits to the library, spelling bees, poetry workshops, visual art tied to reading, and so much more!

### Be Fit:

This program combines a variety of research and outcome based model programs including Spark P.E., Triple Play (a BGCA Model program that combines social recreation, nutrition, daily challenges, to help kids be fit and healthy, We Can (a program developed in collaboration with numerous South Lake Tahoe agencies and Barton that provides various activities and challenges.) Members will be setting fitness/health goals, and tracking their outcomes. Not only does the program focus on health, it also engages members in using their math, language arts and science skills.

### **Green Tech Academy:**

This is a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) based program that uses all facets of a child's academic skills in fun and engaging ways. Members will be adopting Taylor Creek to monitor the water clarity of Lake Tahoe. Members will have the opportunity to work with local organizations such as the US Forest Service, the League to Save Lake Tahoe, and the Tahoe Regional Conservation District.

### **Youth for Unity:**

This module focuses on the important relationships children have with each other and members of their community. This BGCA program is implemented nation-wide and encourages acceptance and inclusion. The program builds the capacity of local Clubs to help their members appreciate themselves as unique and special individuals, understand diversity in society, recognize bias and unfairness and take personal leadership in confronting bias.

# **Around the World:**

This geography-based program involves not only learning the physical orientation of countries and their capitals, but also the unique aspects of cultures around the world. Members will have the opportunity to compete in geography-based trivia games, create art based on foreign cultures, and learn how international cultural influences help shape the world we live in.

### Jr. Giants:

Junior Giants, the flagship program of the Giants Community Fund, is a free, non-competitive and innovative baseball program for boys and girls ages 5-18 years old. The Community Fund provides all of the uniforms, equipment, and training necessary to run a league as well as tickets to select Giants games so the youth can experience a Major League Baseball game. In addition to the fundamentals of baseball, Junior Giants focuses on the four "bases" of character development -- Confidence, Integrity, Leadership and Teamwork -- and offers programs in Education, Health and Violence Prevention. We encourage all elementary aged-members to participate!

# **GEMS (Girls Embracing Milestones) and Passport to Manhood:**

These gender-specific programs will give members a chance to have girl and guy time without the distraction of the opposite genders. Passport to Manhood represents a targeted effort to engage young boys in discussions and activities that reinforce character, leadership and positive behavior. GEMS is a unique girl-empowerment program that involves goal-setting and the importance of understanding milestones in a young woman's life.

### Robo-Tech Design:

Robotics may seem daunting, but the Robo-Tech program is an easy and fun way to explore science, technology, engineering and math. Members will learn about bridges, buildings, electricity, flight and all kinds of interesting engineering topics. They will have the chance to compete and test their designs with one another in a small, informal setting. Activities will encourage teamwork, creativity and innovative thinking.

### **BE GREAT Graduate:**

This goal-oriented program gives members fun ways to set their sites on college. This program is designed to enhance each Club member's engagement with learning by providing consistent support from caring and trusted adults in developing the academic, emotional and social skills needed to achieve academic success. College may be far away for our elementary members, but it's never too early to set goals and get excited for the endless options they have for the future.