



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF BLOOMINGTON**

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**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF BLOOMINGTON CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER
NOTICE**

Bloomington, Ind. – As the global situation involving the Coronavirus Pandemic continues to unravel, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Bloomington announced today that all three units (Lincoln Street, Ferguson Crestmont and Ellettsville) and the Kenworthy Administration Center will be closed until further notice.

All professional staff will continue to work remotely and are available via email during traditional business hours.

“While these are certainly unprecedented times full of uncertainty, safety remains our top priority as an organization,” said Jeff Baldwin, Executive Director of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Bloomington. “Our organization has developed a specialized COVID-19 Task Force which meets via conference call each day to assess new developments and make crucial decisions based on sound information.”

Additionally, below is a recap of upcoming Club-related events that have either been cancelled or postponed:

→ **Lemonade Day Presented by Cook Medical Kick-Off Extravaganza**

(March 28th | 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.)

The Kick-Off Extravaganza at all Bloomington Kroger locations **IS CANCELLED**. Online registration for Lemonade Day will commence as scheduled; Monroe County youth may register for this free community event online starting on Saturday, March 28th. Club officials will work closely with Kroger representatives in finding an alternative event registration date for late-Spring. Additionally, Lemonade Day University will no longer be held at Ivy Tech Community College and will be relocated to the Club on a date to be determined.

→ **Quarterly Volunteer Call-Out Session**

(April 4th | 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.)

This quarterly session **IS CANCELLED**. The next Volunteer Call-Out Session, which will be in the summer, will be announced in the coming weeks.

→ **Alumni & Friends Club: Day of Service @ Camp Rock**

(April 18th | 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.)

This event **remains on**.

→ **The Father Daughter Dance Presented by Rogers Group**

(April 18th | 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.)

This event **IS POSTPONED** to a later date, yet to be determined. Current registered guests will retain their spot to attend the dance once the new date is set. At that time, current guests and those on the waitlist will receive new information via email and Facebook.

→ **Cooking Challenge: Baking Bonanza - Engagement**

(April 21st | 5:15 - 6:15 p.m.)

This event **remains on** as long as the Lincoln Street Club is operational that day. If this engagement activity is postponed, we will post updates on our website (www.bgcbloomington.org/engagement) and will notify all volunteers who are currently registered.

→ **Annual Club Awards Ceremony**

(April 30th | 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.)

This event **IS POSTPONED** to a later date, yet to be determined. Unit Directors will disperse the new date, once solidified, to all Club members and families.

→ **Wine Fest Presented by Big Red Liquors**

(May 1st, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.)

Big Red Liquors representatives and Club officials are currently working closely with Deer Park Manor to assess this event. Once a firm direction is in place, information and ticket availability will be posted online.

→ **Cooking Challenge: Veg Out - Engagement**

(May 5th, 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.)

This event **remains on** as long as the Ellettsville Club is operational that day. If this engagement activity is postponed, we will post updates on our website (www.bgcbloomington.org/engagement) and will notify all volunteers who are currently registered.

→ **SMART Girls, STRONG Women Presented by Comprehensive Financial Consultants**

(May 14th, 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.)

This event **IS POSTPONED** to a later date, yet to be determined. Once the new date has been solidified, information on how to purchase tickets for this important fundraiser will be posted online and via the Club's social media network.

Any and all updates to these proceedings will be posted via social media on the official Facebook page of the Boys & Girls of Bloomington, www.facebook.com/bgcbtown, and online at www.bgcbloomington.org.

About the Boys & Girls Clubs of Bloomington:

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Bloomington is an organization dedicated to empowering all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as caring, productive, and responsible citizens. The Club operates three units serving youth in Monroe County: Lincoln Street, Ferguson Crestmont, and Ellettsville. Offering low annual rates, the Club is a place where all local youth can safely learn, grow, and become the adults of tomorrow. Focusing on Academic Success, Healthy Lifestyles, and Good Character & Active Citizenship, programming at the Club is enriching and varied, led by professional staff and volunteers. To learn more about programs and events at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Bloomington or to make a donation, visit www.bgcbloomington.org, call [812-332-5311](tel:812-332-5311), or follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram!

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