

MONTHLY MEMO

Open the door to Great Futures

Hello November!

A new month brings new opportunities, adventures, and memories to make at the Club! 🍂💙
Check out what's happening this month!



BRIGHTWHEEL BILLING LAUNCHES NOVEMBER 20

We're excited to share that our **Vermillion Academy** billing will officially move to **Brightwheel** this month — a simpler and more secure way for families to manage tuition and payments.

Families will receive an email from support@mybrightwheel.com inviting them to set up a Brightwheel account and payment method. Please check your inbox and follow the steps to complete your setup before launch day.

☛ **Memberships, field trips, and one-time charges will still be billed through Caregiver Portal (MCH).**



HOMEWORK HELP

Academic success starts with support, and we're here to help.

Tutor Club (JK–12th Grade)

Monday–Friday | 4:00–5:30 PM | **FREE**

- Our Tutor Team works directly with members, schools, and families to ensure each child receives the help they need to thrive. Members are grouped by age and grade (JK–2nd, 3rd–5th, and Teens)

☛ Registration is required. Please sign up through the Caregiver Portal (MCH).

At the Club, we're here to cheer on your child's growth and help build strong habits for school success!



NEED SUPPORT?

We're here to help, ask us about assistance or payment options:

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Sarah Jessip, ECE/Academy Director,
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Samantha Nelson, Traditional Club Director,
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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Friday, November 21

Traditional Program CLOSED – Staff Training

Morning Program CLOSED

Academy OPEN - regular hours

Wednesday, November 26

OPEN – 7:30 AM–6:00 PM

JK–2nd grade | Sign-up in Caregiver Portal (MCH)

Traditional Club (3rd - 12th) No sign-up is required | FREE

Thursday, November 27

All Programs CLOSED – Thanksgiving

Friday, November 28

OPEN – 7:30 AM–6:00 PM

Academy (JK–2nd grade): Sign-up is required in Caregiver Portal (MCH) | \$25/day

Traditional Club (3rd - 12th) Sign-up is required in Caregiver Portal (MCH) | FREE



WELCOME SARAH JESSIP!

We're excited to welcome Sarah Jessip as the new Academy Director for our JK–2nd grade members at the Vermillion Boys & Girls Club!

Sarah brings strong leadership and quality assurance experience, most recently serving as Director of Quality Assurance and Admissions at Sessac, Inc. She's also worked with LifeScope and Sessac, supporting individuals with developmental and intellectual disabilities.

A Quincy University Psychology graduate and proud Club mom, Sarah knows firsthand the impact our programs have on kids and families.



i At Boys & Girls Club of Vermillion, no child will be refused membership or paid program services due to inability to pay. For assistance, please contact Samantha Nelson at snelson@greatfuturesd.org.



FOOD & SNACKS

Healthy food helps kids stay energized, focused, and ready for Great Futures. All meals and snacks are **FREE** for members.

- **Morning Program:** Breakfast served at your child's school. A snack will be served at the Club.
- **Afterschool:** Snack provided for **ALL** members, every day.
- **Dinner:** Served at 5:30 PM each night.

On full days (including no-school days and inclement weather days), all members must bring a nut-free sack lunch.



Please note that we do not have access to refrigerators or microwaves, so pack lunches that do not require heating or refrigeration.

SIGN UP → SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Sign up required! Register for field trips and fee-based activities through this [QR code](#) or in [Caregiver Portal \(MCH\)](#).

****All activities open for registration one week before the event.**



SIGN UP → FEE BASED ACTIVITIES

Mug Decorating & Hot Cocoa Cookie Bar

Wednesday, November 26 | JK - 12th Grade | \$8

- Includes cup decorating & hot cocoa supplies.

Schedule:

- JK - 2nd: 12:00 – 12:45 PM
- 3rd - 5th: 1:00 – 1:45 PM
- Teens: 2:00 – 3:00 PM

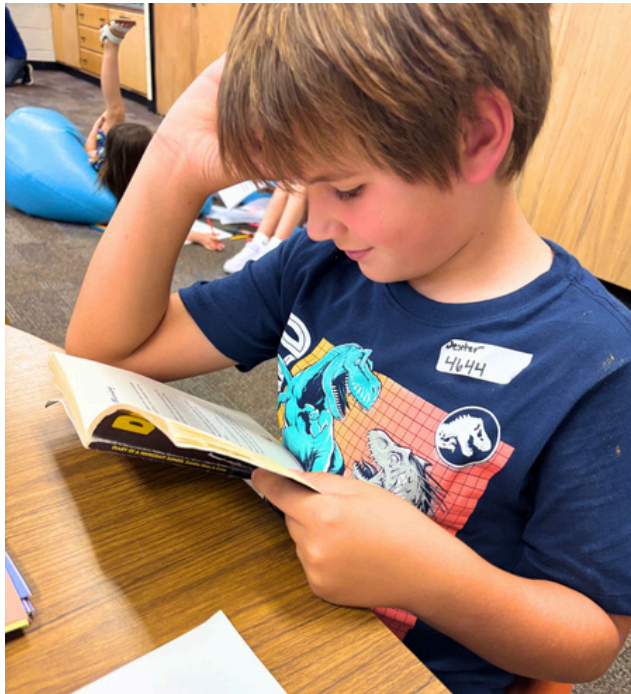
No Sign Up FREE ACTIVITIES

Movie Wednesday

Every Wednesday | 6th - 12th Grade | at 4:00 PM

Friday Flicks

Every Friday | 3rd - 5th Grade | at 4:00 PM



Please note: We do our best to stick to all planned schedules. Occasionally, dates or activities may shift to better serve the needs of our kids and families. Thank you for your understanding and flexibility!

SEASONAL REMINDER

As temperatures cool across South Dakota, please make sure your child is prepared for outdoor play and travel to and from school. We go outside whenever the weather allows, so proper clothing helps keep everyone safe and comfortable.

Outdoor Play Guidelines:

- Above 50°F: Short sleeves
- 40–50°F: Long sleeves
- Below 40°F: Coat, hat, and gloves. Snow on the ground: Coat, boots, hat, and gloves

If the temperature (including windchill) drops below 40°F, outdoor time may be shortened or moved indoors. If your family needs help with fall clothing, please let us know — we're happy to connect you with local resources.

No matter the forecast, the Club is here to support your family:

- On snow days, we're open 7:30 AM – 6:00 PM
- If school dismisses early due to weather, the Club will open after school and remain open until 6:00 PM (unless otherwise noted).

For the latest weather updates, follow us on Facebook or check your email — we'll keep you informed every step of the way! ❤️