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KEY CONSTRUCTION UPDATES



- Rooftop air conditioning units have been installed, marking an important milestone in the building's mechanical systems.
- Exterior stucco work is progressing, with metal entrance canopies and distinctive blue panels along the gymnasium roofline helping define the building's appearance.
- Window installation is largely complete, with select storefront openings remaining accessible for construction equipment and materials.
- Drywall installation is underway on the classroom side of the facility, with additional work planned for the gymnasium and Workforce Development areas.
- Structural steel is in place for the outdoor classroom roof, with roofing, concrete, and adjacent garden deck work progressing.
- Site improvements include parking lot construction, exterior lighting, electrical infrastructure, and preparations for irrigation and landscaping.









STAFF HIGHLIGHT



Over his five years with BGCMC, De'Shon Wellington has served in various roles across multiple Clubs, bringing valuable experience and a strong commitment to youth development. Now serving as Program Associate at the Hobe Sound Club, he has developed a deep connection to the members, families, and surrounding community.

For De'Shon, the new facility represents an opportunity to better serve the Club's growing middle school population, introduce performing arts and expanded outdoor programming, and welcome workforce and culinary teens back as positive young role models for K-8 members. He also looks forward to hosting community events that bring Hobe Sound residents together.

"Hobe Sound feels like home to me, and this new Club is going to give us so many opportunities to do more for our kids. I'm especially excited about bringing families and neighbors together and making this a place the whole community can be proud of."

BUILDING CHARACTER, STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES

Character Counts! Week brought lessons in respect, responsibility, kindness, and good citizenship to young people throughout Martin County. In partnership with Martin County School District, BGCMC helps champion this countywide initiative, reinforcing the values that contribute to stronger communities.

At the Hobe Sound Club, members explored these principles through activities and daily interactions, culminating in a recognition ceremony honoring those who demonstrated positive character. These lessons extend beyond the Club, helping shape responsible young citizens who contribute to the future of Hobe Sound and Martin County.



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BUILDING BUDDIES

Fourth and fifth grade members at the Hobe Sound Club explored the skilled trades through Building Buddies, a hands-on program introducing young people to practical construction skills.

Using hammers, screwdrivers, and measuring tapes, members built and decorated their own birdhouses while developing teamwork, creativity, and problem-solving skills.

Building Buddies also serves a larger purpose: generating early interest in career pathways that members can continue exploring through BGCMC's Workforce Development programs as they grow older. These experiences help establish a foundation for future technical training, certifications, and employment opportunities.







WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT HIGHLIGHT

For BGCMC's Workforce Development students, the construction of the Hobe Sound Club provided a unique opportunity to see their training applied in a real-world setting.

During a behind-the-scenes tour hosted by Proctor Construction, Skilled Trades and Electrical students explored the active jobsite, gaining insight into the technical expertise, coordination, and career opportunities involved in a major construction project.

The experience also offered a meaningful connection to the Club's future. The facility these students watched take shape will eventually introduce younger members to many of the same career pathways they are pursuing today.

Through partnerships like this, BGCMC is connecting workforce education with industry experience while helping develop the next generation of skilled professionals.





DID YOU KNOW

The new Hobe Sound Club will feature dedicated spaces for STEM, technology, and robotics, giving members opportunities to explore engineering, develop problem-solving skills, and discover new interests through hands-on learning.



COMMUNITY LEADER INSIGHT



"The Martin County School District is incredibly grateful for our partnership with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Martin County and the extraordinary impact they have on the students and families we share. Through their unwavering commitment to academic excellence, personal development, and student engagement, the Club plays an integral role in driving student achievement and helping our students reach their full potential. Their exceptional work makes them an indispensable partner in our shared mission, and our students, schools, and community are stronger because of their dedication."

Daniel Moore
Executive Director of Academic Services
Martin County School District