

Boys and Girls Club and Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Wetaskiwin

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of Wetaskiwin



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Community Connections

Summer Day Camps 2009

Looking for some summer fun? The Boys and Girls Club **Summer Day Camps** will be starting June 29, 2009. The week long camps include swimming, bowling, movies, crafts, games and much more. Each weekly camp also includes one exciting out of town trip. Camp days are Monday to Friday, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm and the only thing you need to bring is your lunch! Day Camps are open to all children but costs do vary and are based on prior membership to the Boys and Girls Club of Wetaskiwin.



Costs per child per week

Non-member: \$140./wk
Bronze Members: \$140./wk
Silver Members: \$100./wk
Gold Members: \$60./wk
Platinum Members \$ 50./wk

Note: Club Memberships are available September 1 to May 31 each year. Along with Summer Camp registration there is a Bingo requirement dependant on the total number of weeks registered per family.

General Registration is June 15th from 7-9 pm at the Youth Centre.

Boys & Girls Club to operate a new Centre

What started as a Community Committee established to create childcare spaces in Wetaskiwin would finally benefit many families in the community when the **Wetaskiwin Early Learning and Child Care Centre** opens its doors in September 2009.

The Boys and Girls Club of Wetaskiwin, an organization with 20+ years experience of providing quality, reliable programs and services in our community is excited to provide quality care and early learning opportunities to this new 12 months to 6 years of age population while continuing to support families in our community. "As a registered society we have a strong governance model, well developed and tested policies and procedure that reflects the best practice in the child care industry and have the capacity to efficiently implement a new program of this scope in Wetaskiwin", stated Dana Badke, Executive Director.

We are now accepting names of prospective children. Please call 780-352-4643 extension 32, Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 4:00 pm to save your child's place.

May is National Big Brothers Big Sisters In School Mentoring Month

National research shows that mentoring works for both the volunteer and the children they mentor. The program, started in 2006 in partnership with Wetaskiwin Regional Public Schools, is currently running in four WRPS schools.

"We are thrilled to have such a dedicated group of volunteer's. Our adult volunteer's generosity has a huge impact on the children in our schools. Research shows that In School Mentoring builds self-esteem and increases self-confidence and that is a big accomplishment in one hour a week. As the number of volunteers increase we will be able to expand the program to other schools in the area", stated Kelsy Bradford, Family Support Program Supervisor.

For more information or to become a volunteer please call 780-352-4643 extension 26.

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