

Parent Portal FAQ

How do I sign my child up to be a member?

To sign up your child, please go to bgchr.org and click on the "Parent Portal." If you are a parent or guardian of an active member, please sign in using your email and password. If you are new to the parent portal, please click "Create an Account" to register your household before signing up.

How much does it cost to go to the Club?

We have an annual membership fee of \$15, charged once a year on a rolling basis. Our weekly fee during the school year, we charge a flat rate of \$25.00/week.

For our summer programs, we charge a flat rate of \$40.00/week.

Do you provide membership fee scholarships?

Yes! Full and partial scholarships are available for families who show evidence that current fees are a burden to the family. Children of school district employees from district's we serve attend free of charge. Financial assistance forms can be filled out on the homepage of the parent portal.

Are you open during school breaks or holidays?

Our Clubs are open for full days during school breaks when possible. Club staff will communicate with parents and families when sign-ups are available for full day care.

Do you have summer programs?

Yes, the following Clubs have summer programs;

- Elkton
- Plains
- Simms Preteen Club
- South River
- The Club – Teen center

Members of the Bluestone and Stone Spring Clubs can register for a summer membership at our Simms Preteen Club.

What are the Club hours?

School Year:

Bluestone Club:

- Before-school 7:00am to 8:40am
- After-school 3:30pm to 6:00pm

Elkton Club:

- Before-school 6:30am to 8:00am
- After-school 2:40pm to 6:00pm

Simms Preteen Club:

- Before-school 7:00am to 9:00am
- After-school 2:00pm to 6:00pm

South River Club:

- Before-school 7:00am to 8:00am

- After-school 3:00pm to 6:00pm

Stone Spring Club:

- Before-school 7:00am to 8:00am
- After-school 3:00pm to 6:00pm

Plains Club:

- Before-school 7:00am to 8:00am
- After-school 3:00pm to 6:00pm

Teen Center Club:

- After-school 2:00pm to 6:00pm

Summer:

Elkton Club

- 6:30am to 5:30pm

Plains Club

- 7:00am to 5:30pm

Simms Preteen Club

- 7:00am to 5:30pm

South River Club

- 7:00am to 5:30pm

Teen Center Club

- 10:00am to 5:30pm

What age range do you provide services for?

If your child is between the ages of 5 years old to 12 years old, they may attend one of our school-age based programs. If your child is over the age of 13 years old, they may attend our program at the Teen Center. For more information about Club location and membership requirements, please see the membership application.

Do you provide meals/snacks?

BGCHR provides snacks through CACFP every day after school. We also provide lunch on full days and during the summer program.

What programs do you offer?

Education:

- Power Hour
- Project Learn
- Summer Brain Gain
- Mini-Economy

Leadership & Service:

- Youth of the Year

Health & Wellness:

- SMART Moves
- Too Good for Drugs

Sports & Recreation:

- Triple Play

What should my child bring with them to the Club?

When your child attends Club, please send them with a bag to put their belongings, a water bottle, and closed-toed shoes!

When can I enroll my child(ren)?

Membership applications will go live on the portal when they are available for registration. Applications for the school year will be available during July, and applications for summer programs will be live in March.

How do I find out about weather-related closures?

Please reach out to your Club's Director to be added to the Club's Remind app. All weather-related closures will be communicated first through the Remind app.

When can I expect Clubs to be closed?

BGCHR is closed the week after the last day of school and the week before the first day of school every year. BGCHR is also closed for 10 federal holidays throughout the year. Please reach out to your Club's Director for more information regarding Club closures.

Do I need to re-apply for membership and pay the registration fee for summer if my child attends during the school year?

All children will need to re-register for a summer program membership regardless of whether they hold an active school year membership. If you are actively enrolled in a school-year membership and have paid your \$15 registration fee, the system will automatically waive the summer registration fee.

What documents will I have to provide? Can documents from last year be used?

Before your child can attend Club, your Club Director will need the following documents on file;

- Birth certificate
- Immunization record
- Physical examination form

If you give BGCHR record sharing permission in your membership application, your Club Director can obtain these documents from your child's school as they are available. All of these documents can be used year after year. Your Club Director will need a signed copy of the Parent & Family Handbook to place in your child's file every year.

How long does a Club membership last?

A school year membership will last from the first day of school to the last day of school during the year of membership. A summer program membership will last for the 8-week period of the summer program membership.

Do memberships transfer between Clubs?

No. If your child needs to attend a different Club than the one they hold an active membership at, please sign into the Parent Portal to apply for a membership at the Club you would like them to attend.