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SHOP WITH A COP RETURNS TO COFFEYVILLE: 211 KIDS TO RECEIVE HOLIDAY CHEER

We're excited to announce that this year's Shop with a Cop event will take place on December 20 at the Coffeyville Walmart. Thanks to partnerships and local donations, we're thrilled to provide 211 kids with \$75 gift cards each, fostering positive relationships between youth and law enforcement.

Although gift cards are \$25 less than last year's \$100 milestone—celebrating 20 years of Shop with a Cop—this year's \$75 per child surpasses our usual \$50 average. This adjustment reflects a decrease in donations and funding, but it ensures we can still make a meaningful impact in their lives this holiday season.

We are deeply grateful for the continued support of our community and partners who make this cherished tradition possible. Together, we're creating memories and building trust for a brighter future.



UNDEFEATED CHAMPIONS: BOYS & GIRLS CLUB FOOTBALL TEAM SHINES WITH 9-0 SEASON AND SUPER BOWL VICTORY!

The Boys & Girls Club of Southeast Kansas fifth and sixth-grade football team had an outstanding season, finishing with a remarkable 9-0 record and clinching the Super Bowl title! These young athletes overcame challenges, played their hearts out, and exemplified teamwork and determination. Our organization is incredibly proud of their accomplishments, and we wish them continued success as they advance to the next grade and level of competition.

We extend a special thank you to Coffeyville Community College for hosting us during a guest halftime appearance, where we had the honor of presenting our players with their well-deserved Super Bowl rings. It was a memorable moment, made even better by a great win from the CCC men's team.

Additionally, we deeply appreciate the Coffeyville Rotary Club for inviting our team to celebrate their success with a special lunch. These opportunities mean so much to our players and our organization.

We also want to acknowledge Head Coach Mondriel Fulcher, Assistant Coach Paul Austin, and our dedicated parent helpers for their incredible support and guidance throughout the season. A heartfelt thank you goes out to all the parents for their high level of engagement and unwavering encouragement.

Finally, we express our gratitude to the Southeast Kansas Football League for allowing us to compete despite the challenges and controversy surrounding this season. Your support helped these young athletes shine both on and off the field.

The Boys & Girls Club of Southeast Kansas remains committed to positively impacting youth in our community, and this football team is a shining example of that mission. We are so proud of the strides they've made, both as athletes and as individuals, and we look forward to celebrating their future successes.

Thank you all for your support, and congratulations to our Super Bowl champions!



BECOME A PARTNER!

When your business invests in Boys & Girls Club of SEK, you are investing in the future of our community. Contact Griffin Walker at griffin.walker@cvcilleschools.com for more information.



BGC PARTNERS WITH MAGIC BASKETBALL

The Boys & Girls Club of Southeast Kansas is thrilled to enter year five of our partnership with Ronnie Davis and the Coffeyville Magic basketball team. This year, we've expanded our program to include both third and fourth-grade teams, as well as fifth and sixth-grade teams, and we've proudly provided jerseys for all players.

Tryouts have shown an incredible level of enthusiasm and participation from youth in Coffeyville and the surrounding areas. We believe that offering these extracurricular activities not only fosters a love for sports but also encourages students to excel in the classroom and maintain positive behaviors that benefit their daily lives.



We're grateful for the trust and support of parents who see the value in our mission to use sports as a tool for youth development. Your belief in our efforts inspires us to continue providing meaningful opportunities for our kids.

Thank you to everyone who has supported this year's basketball program. We look forward to seeing our boys represent the Boys & Girls Club of Southeast Kansas as they travel to compete in different towns. Your dedication ensures that we can continue building a brighter future for our youth—on and off the court.

BUILDING A SAFER FUTURE: BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF SOUTHEAST KANSAS ENHANCES SECURITY WITH \$20,000 SURVEILLANCE UPGRADE

A big thank you to our Board Chair, James Helkenberg, for his dedication to enhancing safety and technology at the Boys & Girls Club of Southeast Kansas. Thanks to his efforts, we have successfully installed surveillance cameras throughout our entire facility.

This project, which cost nearly \$20,000, underscores our unwavering commitment to safety as our top priority. By investing in these advanced safety measures, we are not only meeting Boys & Girls Club of America's national standards but also positioning our organization as a leader in providing a secure environment for youth.

The Boys & Girls Club of Southeast Kansas is more than just a gathering place for kids—it's a safe, supervised space where they can learn, grow, and engage in unique recreational and educational experiences. Our focus on safety ensures that every child feels secure and supported as they explore activities designed to prepare them for the future.

Thank you to everyone who continues to support our mission. Together, we are creating a brighter and safer future for the youth in our community!



MATCH DAY RECAP!

The Boys & Girls Club of Southeast Kansas is thrilled to share the success of this year's Match Day event, where our organization raised an incredible \$15,984.25! These funds will play a vital role in supporting our mission to positively impact the lives of youth in our community.

We have exciting plans for these dollars, aiming to enhance the programs and services we offer while also setting aside funds to help reduce future expenses. This ensures that our doors remain open and our resources are available to support the youth who rely on us.

We're especially grateful for the commitment of our dedicated board members, who not only showed up to represent the organization but also made personal financial contributions to maximize the matching funds we received. Their support underscores the collective effort required to keep our programs thriving.

Thank you to everyone who participated, donated, and believed in the work we do.

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB REVITALIZES 8TH STREET COMMUNITY GARDEN TO INSPIRE YOUTH AND PROMOTE SUSTAINABILITY

The Boys & Girls Club of Southeast Kansas is thrilled to announce an exciting new addition to our programs! Last month, we acquired the community garden located on 8th Street, and we're eager to revitalize it to better serve the youth and the entire Coffeyville community.

Our vision includes implementing numerous changes to enhance the delivery of services in the garden, creating a space that not only benefits the community but also raises awareness about the importance of sustainability and healthy living. This initiative aims to become a model for community engagement across Southeast Kansas.

To make this vision a success, we're seeking volunteers and creative ideas to maximize the garden's potential. We've partnered with K-State Extension, the City of Coffeyville, and several local religious organizations to ensure the garden operates efficiently and effectively. During the summer months, these collaborations will help us maintain a high yield of fresh produce while minimizing the strain on community resources.



We're excited about the opportunities this garden presents and look forward to working with our community to make a lasting impact. Thank you to everyone who supports our mission to nurture and inspire the youth of Southeast Kansas!

If you or your organization would like to get involved with our community garden, please contact Griffin Walker at griffin.walker@cvcilleschools.com. Alternatively, visit our webpage, click on "Volunteer," and discover how you can impact the Club!

BUILDING A LEGACY: BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF SOUTHEAST KANSAS LAUNCHES MINI APPEAL CAMPAIGNS AHEAD OF 100TH ANNIVERSARY

The Boys & Girls Club of Southeast Kansas is thrilled to announce our Mini Appeal Campaigns as we approach a monumental milestone in 2026—our 100th anniversary! In preparation for a major campaign to celebrate a century of service, we aim to engage not only the Coffeyville community but also supporters from surrounding areas and across the nation who have been impacted by our organization.

Over the next two years, we will conduct mini appeals at the end of the year and in the spring. These appeals provide an opportunity for donors to contribute to the positive impact of the Club while benefiting from tax incentives that align with their philanthropic goals. This approach will help us raise awareness and build momentum for our major 2026 campaign.



To ensure this effort is inclusive and far-reaching, we will distribute flyers and campaign information in various community settings, such as Edward Jones offices, funeral homes, tax agencies, and more. Our goal is to connect with donors and inspire them to shape the future of the Boys & Girls Club of Southeast Kansas.

We invite you to learn more and get involved by visiting the link provided. Together, we can create a brighter future for our youth as we embark on this exciting journey toward our 100th anniversary. Thank you for your support!

COMMUNICATION CORNER

Our commitment to communication matches yours, which is why we offer multiple channels to keep you informed. Connect with us through Instagram, Facebook, or our website. Additionally, we utilize the Infinite Campus text blast system for timely reminders, especially for parents or guardians of our club kids. Stay updated by visiting www.bgcsek.org or any of our social media platforms!



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MISSION: *It is the mission of Boys & Girls Club of SEK to enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens.*

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