

After School Block Party

The purpose of this program is to provide structure & enrichment for our Middle School students who attend the YMCA of Hannibal from 3:00 PM until 5:15 PM

Format:

- Communication will be sent out with _60_ days notice to student parents and Hannibal Middle School making them aware of the program. This communication should line up with school session, program guides and social media schedule.
- Program is scheduled to begin 8/16/26 and complete 5/14/27.
- During peak season (January – March) three (3) Blocks will be available every day for student registration. Block examples could be 3-on-3 basketball tourney, painting class upstairs, and a Air Hockey/Ping Pong tournament in VR Lounge. There is dozens of programming ideas that we could implement. We incorporate fun prizes, wall of fame, awesome incentives, etc. During non-peak season only two (2) Blocks will be available.
- Each block has a program supervisor that facilitates activity. Nathan Waters (or designated Director) will be the floater moving from area to area, bathroom breaks, gathering students and directing them to designated areas. The program supervisor must have a VOICE and a passion for children. They must be fun, engaging, creative, motivating, organized & disciplined.

Day-to-Day:

- Students arriving after school must check in using their membership at the Welcome Desk or purchase a day pass.
- All students must have their hands stamped indicating that they have checked in or paid.
- Students have until 3:30 PM to store their bags in the hallway lockers, use restroom, grab a snack or drink.
- Students must be seated in the gymnasium bleachers promptly at 3:30 PM as block sessions begin at 3:45 PM. Between 3:30 PM and 3:45 PM, Program Supervisors will meet in the gym to explain the activity for their Block Party and perform Role Call.
- Blocks will last between 40-45 minutes and consist of two sessions.
 - Block One: 3:45 PM-4:30 PM
 - Block Two: 4:30 PM–5:15 PM
 - After 5:15 PM...Free Play

Block Party Enrollment:

- Roll Call consists of those students who pre-register for their Block Party the day prior via online registration, phone call or in person.

- Pre-registration is only available 24 hours in advance of the program. We will not allow students to register for blocks in volume.
- Best practice is to remind students to sign up for their block tomorrow before they leave for the day. Those who did not pre-register and randomly walk-in will choose their preference during this time based on availability. Each block will have limited space available based on the type of activity/tournament/class...etc.
- This format requires quite a bit of pre-planning. We will have all the supplies, awards, etc. ready to go.

Culture:

The most important thing to remember is that this program will take time to develop and build. Changing culture is single-handedly the most difficult task that we face in this business and it requires humility, learning and perseverance!!