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LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

The Boys & Girls Club of Bulloch County is committed to making meaningful changes in the lives of children and youth within our community. Over the past 20 years, over 2,000,000 sets of feet have come into the Club. Perhaps now more than ever, our kids need champions and heroes who believe in their potential. Your investment in the future of Statesboro and Bulloch County is crucial for us to thrive. The Boys & Girls Club of Bulloch County is unique, and our Club offers programming unique to our community's needs. Our Club is proud to say that we employ certified teachers to bridge achievement gaps while also contracting the services of counselors to address mental health needs. We are so proud to announce a new partnership with Ogeechee Technical College. This will allow our Club to provide workforce development training, transition support for dual enrollment into technical certificate and degree programs, and a pathway to acceptance into Ogeechee Technical College with a guarantee to graduate 100% FREE.

Our results speak for themselves. On average, our students score 1.3-grade levels higher in Math and 1.6-grade levels higher in Language Arts than their similar peers. In addition, our students achieve a 98% graduation/promotion rate each year. Again, our Boys and Girls Club of Bulloch County leads the state in these statistics. We could not provide this level of nity if it were not for donors like you! Our special events throughout the year have been wonderful, and we cannot say enough how grateful we are to each and every person who donated and helped to make these events such a success, but these alone aren't enough. We NEED your support. Please consider donating today and playing a part in changing a child's future!

Dr. Scott Marchbanks,

Board President of The Boys & Girls Club of Bulloch County









#### **CHARACTER & LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION & CAREER DEVELOPMENT**



Mr. Perris, Ms. Emma, and Ms. Kalie, counselors from The Camilla Foundation, spend four afternoons a week with our students at the club. Interacting with the kids, getting to know each one of them while they are in their small groups, and being a continue to find the club a safe safe space for the students to and positive environment.

#### **CAMILLA FOUNDATION** & 21 ST CCLC

unity Learning Center are partnering er with the Boys & Girls Club to target a

ents about feelings, and how to unders<sup>.</sup> communicate with one another.

adults at the club listen and understand what they have to say We hope through this partnership between the 21 st Century Learning Center and The Camilla Foundation that students

#### **CLUB 52 MEMBERS**



There are 11,000 kids in Bulloch County Schools, and less than 10% of those students attend a structured after school program.

omic barrier that families face is the biggest preventor of students having the opportunity to attend an after-school program like the Boys & Girls Club of Bulloch County.

The cost of attendance is \$1200 a year per child. The Boys & Girls Club of Bulloch County appreciates your every effort to aid in the support of sending students to the club to offset the percent of those that are unable to attend.

#### GIVING LEVELS

3 month scholarship 6 month scholarship onth schola

and inclusion into Club 52 Giving Society.



# MISS GA SOUTHERN **VISITS CLUB**

#### **CHARACTER & LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION & CAREER DEVELOPMENT**

genuinely interested in why I was wearing University, Allie Griffis shared about her afternoon spent at the Boys & Girls Club of Bulloch County.

The visit from Miss Georgia Southern was definitely a highlight of the day. Students and the story behind her crown! We are so thankful she stopped by for



Allie, a biology graduate student, was crowned Miss Georgia Southern University earlier this year. The members of the club and Allie reading with one another, and learning about the journey Allie was on the Miss Georgia.

dents enjoyed convesations with ffis about college and their bes for the future for each of them, discussing their goals and teachers, scientists, doctors, artists and journalists, Allie said "I was so time at the Boys and Girls Club achieve their goals and put them o he path to success. I hope I made hem feel as special as I did after spending the afternoon with them.

generosity has on our ability to continue to provide our services to our children and their fam **KIDS AND** 

Georgia Southern's Campus.

# **GREAT FUTURES START HERE.**

#### VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS

#### **TEENS & THINGS**

Our teen program has started their very own podcast called 'Teens & Things'! The purpose of the new podcast program is to give teens an opportunity to engage in open discussions and develop communication skills through talking about things going on in their lives while being in a safe environment.

The podcast members and our Teen Director, Mr. Hughston, have been spending time planning out the topics and important things to touch on while learning about what all it takes to run a successful podcast.





"It allows me to be a part of something" teen member Dy'Aysia says about her time being involved in the podcast. She is a part of the group of students who are building the program from the ground up. We are so excited for them to get this program up and running and look forward to listening to their first podcast.





Squash, peppers, jalapeños, and watermelon were all planted by our students.

Site Director Levi Carpenter and Teen Director Hughston Leaks took a group of 4th and 5th grade students to the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Augusta to participate in a co-ed basketball league.



#### HALLOWEEN DOOR COMPETITION

Halloween is one of our favorite days of the year at the club. It is a fun opportunity for our staff to get a little silly with our kids. Our STEM Lab staff dressed up as 'Mad Scientists' which went perfect with their door theme for our Halloween door contest!



After two years of being post-poned, Colin Cloud, 15th Annual Kids & Community Gala on Thursday October 6, 2022, at the Nessmith-Lane Building on

Cloud, a finalist on America's Got Talent, is described as the closest thing to a real-life Sherlock Homes. The audience had a blast seeing Colin perform and see his amazing talents live. He left the audience in shock.

& controls, and supporting sponsors Bulloch First and GS Office of the President enough for making this thrilling night happen! This event helps provide so much for all our members. The night was filled with a delicious dinner and a jaw dropping show from Colin

Board President Scott Marchbanks hosted the event and spent time sharing with the attendees the impact



# **COMMUNITY GALA**

# **HOW SWEET!**

Kindergarten club members were treated to popsicles to celebrate the end to another fun week! There is no better way to enjoy the fall weather and a Friday afternoon than popsicles with your favorite gym staff.





#### MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



### **HEALTH & LIFE SKILLS**

#### **THE GARDEN**

Gardening invites our students to get outside and learn about the importance of a healthy lifestyle that starts with how we nourish our bodies. This program allows for our students to feel a sense of purpose and responsibility in their actions. Jordan Smith, 10, shares her favorite part about participating in the new garden that was started at the Boys & Girls Club this summer, "I liked to see my plant grow real vegetables and then give them to my mom and sister when they were ready." The students potted vegetables into small pots and when they began to sprout, they planted them into our larger flower beds. The students were in charge of watering and picking the veggies when they were ripe.

#### **SPORTS & FITNESS**



The team went 2-0 on the weekend and is looking forward to the next weekend of games. Keep representing the club well!