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What a Summer!



As the 2024-2025 afterschool program gets off to a start at the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Lowell, we reflect on the end of an active, joyful, and rewarding summer, full of new memories and friendships.

In the last 2 weeks of summer programming, Club members were busy enjoying a variety of exciting field trips. They explored local beaches, tested their problem-solving skills at the Escapology Escape Room in Tewksbury, indulged in sweet treats at Sweet Bar, and visited the historic Boott Mills Museum.

Back at the Club, Spirit Week festivities were held from August 5-9, with Club members and staff dressing up in fun and vibrant themes each day. One highlight was Twin Day, where everyone showed off their matching outfits—capturing the spirit and creativity that defines the Club!

Earlier in August, Club members participated in a special basketball clinic hosted by the Boston Celtics at their practice facility in Boston. The event included basketball tips from Celtics coaching staff and a watch party for the men's basketball Olympics at the Auerbach Center. Club members got to meet Lucky the Celtics mascot and see the championship trophy up close. The experience was made possible by the Club's ongoing partnership with Comcast. [Click here](#) to read a writeup from *Lowell Sun*



about the event.

Boys & Girls Club of Greater Lowell alum and current guard for the LA Clippers Terance Mann engaged with Club teens and kids in multiple educational and athletic opportunities through the Terance Mann Complete Player Foundation. The series of events included the No Limits Fashion Event held at Lowell Memorial Auditorium. More than 15 Club teens received tickets to the show and got exposure for the first time to the fashion industry.



[Click here](#) to watch the TV segment this week by NBC10 Boston about Terance's philanthropic activities, including this weekend's basketball camp and a backpack drive in honor of the Club's former Athletics & Recreation Manager Billy "G" Gilmore.



For the second year, Youth Development Director Shirley Pimentel took six families on a weekend hike, an event that turned out to be a true test of perseverance! Despite facing torrential rain and enduring thick, humid heat throughout the weekend, the six participating families stuck it out. They embraced every challenge with smiles, joining in on hiking, canoeing, fishing, group games, nighttime fires, and, of course, s'mores. It was a weekend full of both memorable adventures and bonding moments that everyone appreciated.

The summer was filled with joy, learning, and growth. Follow the Club on Facebook to see all of the many adventures of the summer, and to stay up to date on the school year's activities!

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**Save the Date for the
Boys & Girls Club of Greater Lowell's
27th Annual Holiday Auction**

When: December 5th, 2024

Where: Lowell Memorial Auditorium

For more information or to purchase tickets visit our [Holiday Auction website here](#).



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Construction Updates - August/September 2024

In August, several huge pieces of infrastructure were set in motion for the Club's [Believe & Become Capital Campaign building renovation](#).

Currently in progress are a new elevator, hot water heaters for the kitchen (set to open Fall 2024), a new transformer (generously donated by National Grid) and electrical service. Additionally, 18 handicap accessible bathrooms are under way. The Teen Center's foundation has been installed, and we look forward to opening it to members in the Spring of 2025.

Want a tour? [Please contact staff to come in and see the progress!](#)



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