

Junior Volunteer Program



What is volunteering?

Volunteering means that you are giving some of your free time to do something for someone or for an organization (ie. Boys & Girls Club, London Y, your school, your church, your neighbour, etc.). Volunteering your free time means that you are not given anything in return for your service.

What is the Boys & Girls Club?

We offer an affordable facility where we serve kids and adults who need us. Our program services are planned to provide fun with a purpose. Using recreational, social, educational and vocational programs, we develop and maintain independence, self-esteem and self-respect for individuals and families in need.

We offer after school activities and afternoon activities on the weekend during the school year. During the summer, we offer summer camp programs and afternoon activities during the week. Our programs are for children and youth ages 5 to 18 years old and operate year-round.

What can Junior Volunteers do at the Club?

Junior Volunteers enjoy helping others, are enthusiastic, enjoy working with others, and can be a role model for their peers and younger children. They are active helpers around BGCL assigned with tasks ranging from encouraging their peers and young children to participate in activities, promoting fair play while following BGCL's rules, and assisting staff and older volunteers in various program areas.

How can you be a Junior Volunteer?

To be a Junior Volunteer, you must meet the following criteria:

- Complete the Junior Volunteer program application (available to download online, and at the BGCL's front desk)
- Be 13 years old (those who are 14 years old or older must complete the Volunteer Application for youth and adults)
- Must be registered to start high school in the Fall of the upcoming school year
- Provide an adult to be a Reference of your character and personality (ie. teachers, guidance counsellors, coaches, neighbours, friends of the family, a friend's parent) **but no family members, please.**
- Complete an interview with the Volunteer Coordinator
- Attend a volunteer training session with other volunteers (to be set up at the time of the interview)

When Can I Volunteer (after I completed the steps above)?

Junior Volunteers will set up a schedule to volunteer with the Volunteer Coordinator during the interview. Junior Volunteers are able to choose which day and time they want to volunteer as long as it's during our program hours.

Our Program Hours:

September to June – Monday to Friday from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

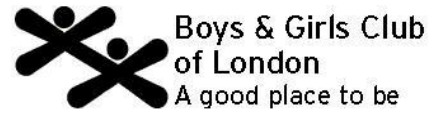
July to the end of the summer – Monday to Friday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., we are closed on weekends.

Who do I contact for more information?

You and your parent(s)/guardian(s) may contact the Volunteer Coordinator at 519-434-9115 ext. 226 or volunteer@bgclondon.ca.

Regular office hours – Monday to Friday from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., 8 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Junior Volunteer Application



For Parent/Guardian to complete:

I give permission for my child to apply to the Junior Volunteer Program, and to give personal information that is necessary to complete the application. I understand that I am able to help my child complete the Junior Volunteer Application. It is ultimately my child's responsibility to answer the questions to the best of their ability.

Parent/Guardian's Name (First & Last): _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

For the Junior Volunteer Applicant to complete:

Please complete all sections of the application to the best of your ability in pen. Point form answers are allowed.

Name (First & Last): _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Postal Code: _____ Phone Number: _____

Name of Elementary School: _____

Name of Secondary School: _____

Name of Reference: _____ Phone Number: _____

Best time to call is: Morning Afternoon Evening Weekend only

Check off any of the following statements that are true:

I am a Member of the Boys & Girls Club of London (**Membership Number:** _____)

I have never been to the Boys & Girls Club of London before

This will be my first time volunteering anywhere

I have previous experience volunteering such as (**give an example**): _____

I like to do the following activities:

Sports & Gym Arts & Crafts Playing board games Video Games

Leading games Helping others with homework Cleaning up Organizing things

Other(s) _____

(more questions below)

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Personal Questions:

I want to volunteer at the Boys & Girls Club because

Tell me three (3) things about yourself

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Are there any skills you would like to learn while volunteering?

Yes (please list below) No (skip to next question)

Do you have any questions for the Volunteer Coordinator?

Yes (please list below) No

Please read the statements below, and write your name at the bottom.

All of the information written by me on this application is to the best of my knowledge.

I understand that completing and submitting this application does not guarantee a position in the Junior Volunteer Program.

I am required to attend a training session before I begin.

I understand that if I have attended the Boys & Girls Club's programs, my past behaviour (negative or positive) will be taken into consideration before being allowed to join the Junior Volunteer Program.

Name (First & Last) or signature

Date