



Boys & Girls Club of Milford COVID 19 coronavirus Plan & Procedures

As we continue to hear news about COVID-19 coronavirus and its potential impact on our community we wanted to let you know the Boys & Girls Clubs of Milford continues to monitor updates and recommendations from health agencies related to the COVID-19 coronavirus.

While there are still many unknowns in this rapidly evolving situation, currently there has been no known or confirmed Club exposure. Our current procedures include increased cleaning of the club, cleaning high traffic areas multiple times per hour, and encouraging hand washing by staff and members.

In addition, as of March 11, 2020 the Boys & Girls Club will no longer be providing free snack and will be shutting down our water fountains. Please be sure to send your child with a snack and water bottle. We will return to normal operation once the risk is mitigated.

We have met with the Milford Health Department and have been advised on how to best prepare for and plan as the spread intensifies. We want to be very clear absolutely no plans or decisions have been made by the Board of Education at this time regarding school closures or modifications. We do, however, want to be prepared in the event that any of the following scenarios happen.

Our procedure will be as follows.

- Milford Public Schools Close due to the COVID-19 coronavirus- Boys & Girls Clubs of Milford will CLOSE.
- Milford Public School moves to a half day schedule due to COVID-19 coronavirus - Boys & Girls Clubs of Milford will CLOSE. (We currently plan to be open during the regularly scheduled half days on 3/11, 3/12 & 3/13- if this changes it will be communicated via the info below)
- If at any point the Boys & Girls Clubs of Milford Staff reaches a call out rate that does not allow us to operate and manage the members in a safe ratio the Boys & Girls Clubs of Milford will CLOSE.

In the event that the Boys & Girls Club of Milford will have to close due to any of the above scenarios we will communicate our closure through the following platforms:

- Text via remind app- If you need to sign up text 81010 @simonlak or @ws8056
- You will receive an email via the constant contact email system
- It will be posted on the Boys & Girls Club of Milford Facebook Page
- It will be posted on the following TV stations NBC CT, WTNH, News 12

Our number one goal during this pandemic is to ensure the Boys & Girls Club of Milford is operating in the safest standards possible. We have been in direct contact with the Milford Health Department and are taking their direction to ensure this is happening. Our hope is to operate on a normal schedule and to be able to serve the youth in our community in the fun and safe way you are accustomed to.

As always, the best way to keep everyone healthy and safe is to practice proper hygiene. Wash your hands, do not touch your face, cough into your sleeve, and most importantly if you or your child is not feeling well please stay home. For the latest information on COVID-19 coronavirus please be sure to continually visit the Milford Health Department website www.ci.milford.ct.us/health-department-0

Finally, it is very important to keep in mind that our kids hear everything we say, and this can be a stressful time for them. Below please find a link to a document from the National Association of School Psychologists on tips for talking to your child about COVID-19 coronavirus.

Thank you for your patience as we all navigate the next few weeks and learn more about how to keep everyone safe.

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[How to Talk to Your Child About COVID-19
Coronavirus](#)