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Park Elementary

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BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF UTAH COUNTY

The mission of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Utah County is to inspire and enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to realize their full potential as productive and responsible citizens and leaders.



Happy
Birthday



None for October!

UPCOMING EVENTS

10/6-First day of Club

CLUB CLOSED

No Program on Mondays
10/15-10/19 NO CLUB-FALL BREAK



Get To Know



Hello! My name is Ernesto Olaza—students can call me Ernesto or Mr. Ernesto! I am thrilled to join the Boys & Girls

Club team this year. Originally from Argentina, I live in Vineyard with my wife, Ashlyn, and our three boys: Ryan (14), Rome (6), and Remi (4). I speak fluent Spanish and am currently studying Family and Human Services at BYU-Pathway to become a clinical therapist. Outside of work, I love coaching my boys in soccer, basketball, and baseball, building LEGO, and playing Minecraft or Mario games with my family. You can also find us enjoying Provo Canyon, Deer Creek, or cheering on RSL and the Jazz! My goal this year is to build a fun, encouraging environment where every student feels valued. I'm looking forward to a great year!

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PARENT RESOURCES

[Parent Handbook](#)
[Membership Handbook](#)

Project Learn (Power Hour)

*Tuesday-Friday (K-6)
4:45pm-5:30pm*

Students will have dedicated time to focus on academically enriching activities which may include completing homework assignments, practicing math skills, reading independently or with peers, or engaging in other High Yield Learning Activities (HYLAs) that reinforce classroom learning.

Specialty Clubs

STEM Labs

*3:30pm-4:30pm (K-3) Tuesday & Thursday
3:30pm-4:30pm (4-6) Wednesday & Friday*

Activities involving science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and related topics. Kids will learn a variety of STEM related skills and participate in many hands-on activities. This term's focus is Engineering! We will have Engineering is Elementary on Monday & Tuesday and Mission:Engineering on Wednesday and Thursday.

Enrichment

*3:30pm-4:30pm (4-6) Tuesday & Thursday
3:30pm-4:30pm (K-3) Wednesday & Friday*

Clubs are provided Monday-Thursday that are designed to introduce new activities, new passions, and new ideas to the children. This month's specialty clubs are the STEM Labs mentioned above and Mini Olympics Club.



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Park Elementary
After school Program
2026-2027



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3:00-3:15pm Check in/Snack 3:15-3:30pm Circle-Up 3:30-4:30pm K-3 YES-Youth Engineering Solutions!, 4-6 Mini Olympics 4:30-4:45pm Structured Recess 4:45-5:30pm Power Hour (Academic Assistance) 5:30 Take-home Snack & Check Out	3:00-3:15pm Check in/Snack 3:15-3:30pm Circle-Up 3:30-4:30pm K-3 Mini Olympics, 4-6 YES-Youth Engineering Solutions! 4:30-4:45pm Structured Recess 4:45-5:30pm Power Hour (Academic Assistance) 5:30 Take-home Snack & Check Out	3:00-3:15pm Check in/Snack 3:15-3:30pm Circle-Up 3:30-4:30pm K-3 Mission: Engineering, 4-6 Mini Olympics 4:30-4:45pm Structured Recess 4:45-5:30pm Power Hour (Academic Assistance) 5:30 Take-home Snack & Check Out	3:00-3:15pm Check in/Snack 3:15-3:30pm Circle-Up 3:30-4:30pm K-3 Mini Olympics, 4-6 Mission: Engineering 4:30-4:45pm Structured Recess 4:45-5:30pm Power Hour (Academic Assistance) 5:30 Take-home Snack & Check Out

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October Club & Activity Details

Message to Parents:

We're so excited to announce that Boys & Girls Clubs of Utah County is able to start an afterschool program at Park Elementary! Thanks to a **one-year grant that covers the cost of our program**, we're excited to bring Boys & Girls Clubs to Park and offer **FREE afterschool programming to families for the entire school year!** This means students can participate in fun, high-quality activities and clubs at no cost to families. The program will run Tuesday-Friday 3:00pm-5:30pm. This term, students will enjoy STEM Engineering Club, where they'll design, build, test, and problem-solve through hands-on engineering challenges, and Mini Olympics Club, where youth will participate in fun sports, races, and physical challenges while building teamwork, confidence, and sportsmanship. We'll also provide homework and reading support and Specialty enrichment activities throughout the year. We're so excited for the opportunity to bring Boys & Girls Clubs to Park and create a fun, safe place where kids can learn, build friendships, and discover new interests!

Power Hour - The primary focus of Power Hour is to support our youth in completing their homework, engaging in High Yield Learning Activities (HYLAs), and participating in our reading and math programs. Our goal is to reduce missing assignments by collaborating with school-day teachers and ensuring that students complete their daily tasks during our program, allowing for more quality family time at home. For students without homework, we offer a variety of HYLAs, along with our reading and math programs, to further enhance their overall knowledge and skills in these important subjects. This is completed Tuesday-Friday for 30 minutes!

Specialty Clubs:

STEM Labs - STEM Engineering Club is a hands-on afterschool program for children ages 5-12, where learning happens through exploring, creating, and problem-solving! In this club, students will dive into the world of engineering through exciting, hands-on STEM activities. Each week, youth will practice creativity, critical thinking, teamwork, and problem-solving as they explore how engineers design, build, test, and improve their ideas. Students will participate in a variety of activities focused on science, technology, engineering, and mathematics while discovering how STEM skills are used to solve real-world challenges. Tuesdays and Wednesdays will feature our **Engineering is Elementary** curricula, while Thursdays and Fridays will feature **Mission: Engineering**, giving students new challenges and opportunities to put their engineering skills to the test!

Mini Olympics Club is an active and exciting afterschool program for children ages 5-12, where learning happens through movement, teamwork, and friendly competition! In this club, students will explore a variety of Olympic-inspired sports and challenges while developing physical skills, coordination, and confidence. Each week, youth will participate in fun activities that encourage teamwork, perseverance, sportsmanship, and trying their best. From relay races and obstacle courses to throwing, jumping, and team challenges, students will have the opportunity to discover new activities and build skills while working toward becoming their own Mini Olympic champions! Students in grades K-3 will join the club on Tuesdays and Thursdays, while those in grades 4-6 will participate on Wednesdays and Fridays.

More Specialty Clubs Coming Soon!

We're excited to start with two specialty clubs—STEM Engineering and Olympic Sports! As we continue hiring talented specialty teachers, we plan to add even more fun and engaging clubs throughout the year. Our specialty clubs are designed to give kids the opportunity to learn a specific skill, build their confidence, and have something they can showcase at the end of the club!

Do you have a skill or passion you'd love to teach kids? We're always looking for people who are interested in teaching a specialty class! Whether it's sports, art, music, cooking, science, technology, or another unique skill, reach out to us to learn more about becoming a specialty teacher and sharing your talents with our students.

