Boys & Girls Club of America

**Stance on LGBTQ+**

https://www.bgca.org/programs/initiatives/LGBTQ-Initiative

- This front-page header alone explains LGBTQ+ initiatives with the Club, and uses all the vernacular, news stories, resource articles, and partnerships that promote the LGBTQ+ agenda.

https://www.bgca.org/news-stories/2022/March/growing-up-kate-she-her-hers

- A news story about a man who “identifies” as a trans-woman and how the BGCA was supportive of his decision. There are several stories like this on their website.

- Their “Commitment to Inclusion”: “We believe every kid has what it takes. The mission and core beliefs of Boys & Girls Clubs fuel our commitment to promoting safe, positive and inclusive environments for all. Boys & Girls Clubs of America supports all youth and teens – of every race, ethnicity, gender, gender expression, sexual orientation, ability, socio-economic status, and religion – in reaching their full potential.”


- Boys & Girls in San Gabriel Valley, CA led their first “PRIDE” parade.


- How to “celebrate pride month with your kids” is one of the top resource stories on their website.


- Dating back to March 2022, BGCA published an article for parents/guardians on how to help their teens with gender identity.

**Stance on Abortion & Contraception**

https://www.facebook.com/bgcofshinnecocknation/photos/411417387464281
- From April 2022, the BGCA OF Shinnecock Nation hosted a partnered discussion with PP: “Please join Planned Parenthood tonight from 7-8pm for a discussion about all things related to raising teens (and pre-teens). This will be a virtual meeting only. Gain knowledge on Planned Parenthood services, digital literacy and develop stronger relationships and support from other parents in your community. We hope to see you there!” Like the Boy and Girl Scouts, the organization allows individual clubs to host, support, and partner with events like these. I have not been able to find any other indication of financial or group participation with PP outside of this one.

https://www.kidsclub.org/programs/health-life-skills

- HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS PROGRAM OF BGCA SAN FRANCISCO: “Our staff helps youth develop healthy communication skills to talk about health-related issues with partners, peers, and trusted adults. Though we promote abstinence as the only 100% safe method for avoiding the physical and emotional risks inherent in sexual activity, we also provide comprehensive, medically accurate information on birth control and STI prevention.”