



## **Beyond the Bell Youth Services GALA**

### **About us:**

The mission of the Beyond the Bell Branch is to ensure that all children and youth in LAUSD have access to high quality, safe, and supervised academic, enrichment, and recreation programs that inspire learning and achievement beyond the regular school day (before and after school and Saturdays).

### **Program Components:**

\*The three components of the programs include:

1. Academic Assistance Program: Students study subjects such as Reading, Math, Writing, Science, Social Studies, and Computers.
2. Recreational Program: Students participate in physical activities including Intramural Sports, Structured Physical Activity, Dance, etc.
3. Enrichment Program: Students participate in classes such as Life Skills, Art, Cooking, and Music.

\*Currently, our Youth Services program at GALA is only offering academic assistance and a sports program. (This is viable to change depending on whether we lose a coach of that component or gain a coach that teaches a new component.)

### **GALA BTB Program Information:**

Coaches: Alexa Vasquez (Program Supervisor) and Dionne Coleman

Contact: Alexa : cell: (323) 717- 5935 (preferably text over call)

email: alexa.vasquez@lausd.net

Program time: Dismissal- 6:00 PM

Location: GALA Library, GALA Field, Gym (sometimes)

## **Required Paperwork:**

1. BTB Application and Agreement Form
2. Early Release Form
3. Cardiac Arrest Form (for students participating in tournaments)

BTB Application:

[https://844f8166-8f7d-4912-b9ca-6792ae04fa15.filesusr.com/ugd/3147c0\\_b4796b71fda4661b99104a042f20866.pdf](https://844f8166-8f7d-4912-b9ca-6792ae04fa15.filesusr.com/ugd/3147c0_b4796b71fda4661b99104a042f20866.pdf)

\*The online application is currently missing the Early Release Form. If you filled this one out, please make sure to obtain an Early Release Form from a BTB Staff.\*

## **Loss of Privileges**

Should a student break any of our program agreements, they will lose the privileges of participating in the program. The first broken agreement will result in a verbal warning. The second one will result in a write-up and possible loss of program participation for a few days depending on the severity of the misconduct. A third broken agreement will result in total loss of program participation for the rest of the school year.

## **Sports Offered:**

### **Tentative Schedule (All Dates/Events Subject to Change)**

***\*Pending Guidance and Clearance for Interscholastic Play\****

#### **Fall Sports**

1. Volleyball: Aug- Oct (Core: All Schools)
2. 3x3 Basketball: Sep- Oct (21st Cent/ Select Schools)
3. Flag Football 5v5: Oct- Jan (Core: All Schools)
4. Futsal: Nov- Jan (Supplemental: Select Schools)

#### **Winter/ Spring Sports**

1. Basketball: Jan- Mar (Core: All Schools)
2. Slow Pitch Softball: Feb- Mar (Supplemental: Select Schools)
3. Soccer: Mar- May (Core: All Schools)
4. Track and Field: Apr- Jun (Supplemental: Select Schools)
5. Golf: May- Jun (Supplemental: Select Schools)
6. Tennis: Apr- May (Supplemental: Select Schools)

GALA BTB will not be providing all supplemental sports. We do not have the resources available to offer slow pitch softball and golf. The other supplemental sports will be provided only if there are a sufficient number of students interested in joining and committing to the team and tournaments. All core sports will be provided.

Sports will be taught from 4:15/4:30- 5:30 PM.

#### **LA84 and Beyond the Bell**

The LA84 Foundation/Beyond the Bell Branch Middle School Sports Program operates four 8 week after-school sports seasons during the school year at all LAUSD middle schools. The four core sports offered at most middle schools include: flag football, basketball, volleyball, and soccer. Due to play space restrictions as well as demand and interest from students, staff adds supplemental sports that run concurrent with other traditional sports. The five supplemental sports include futsal, softball, tennis, track & field and rugby. The weekly practice schedule includes league play twice a week and skill development and practice three times a week. The type and number of sports will vary from school to school and includes a district wide championship tournament in each sport. All sports programming is offered free of charge to students.

## **Tournaments**

All core and supplemental sports end with a district-wide championship tournament. Students interested in joining the BTB team at their school will compete against other BTB programs at a predetermined school. Tournaments are held alternating Saturdays during tournament season. At least 2 tournaments are guaranteed for the students (extra tournaments will be decided on how well they ranked in the tournaments and if they make it to quarterfinals, semifinals, etc.)

Attire: Students are encouraged to wear athletic clothing and shoes for the tournaments. If a student already owns specific equipment for that sport (ex. knee pads for volleyball, cleats (plastic only) for soccer/ flag football) they are encouraged to use it during tournaments. Necessary equipment such as balls, rackets, batons, shin guards, etc will be provided.

## **Fundraising**

BTB staff is not allowed to fundraise nor handle money for the students. Should parents wish to fundraise for their BTB program (such as for tournament uniforms), they are welcome to do so.