Carnegie Boys and Girls Club Practicum



Daily Agenda



10:00- Circle up

10:00-10:50- Computer room

10:50-11:40- Gym

11:40-12:40- Lunch Time

12:40-1:30- STEM

1:30-2:20- Art

2:20-3:10- Circle up for Snack and

Computer room

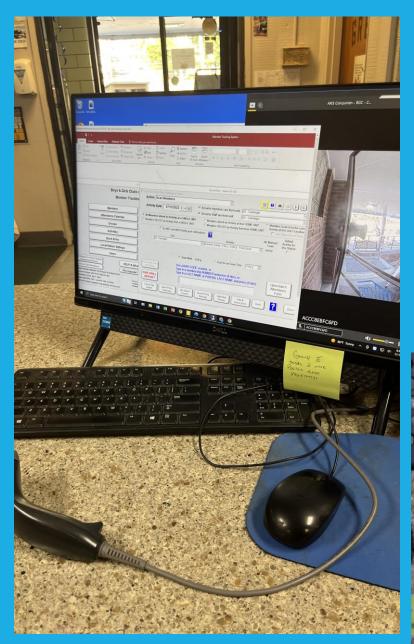
3:10-4:00- Outside

4:00-5:00- Game room

5:00-5:30- Game room/Gym

Checking the kids in and out

This is the system we use to check the kids in during the morning and out in the evening. Each child has a card like the ones shown with their names and cubby number on it. In the morning, the kids go to their cubby, grab their card, and hand it to the staff at the desk. During the day, the staff member keeps these card with them, so they know what kids they have. At the end of the day, that staff member signs the child out by scanning the card again. After the card is scanned, the child then puts their card back into the cubby, so we know they have checked out and gone home.

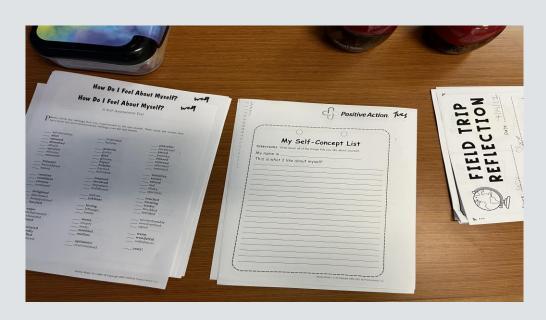






Rotation: Computer room

Computer Room





We use the computer room twice a day. We use this room in the morning and afternoon. During our time in this room, the kids are required to do 20 minutes of learning programs called Lexia Core 5 and Dreambox. The kids have to complete 5 lessons on each program a week. When the kid are done with these lessons, they are able to play games that are appropriate. Once a week, we also have to do something called positive action assignments. These are just assignment for the kids to look at topics a little deeper.



Rotation: Gym

Gym



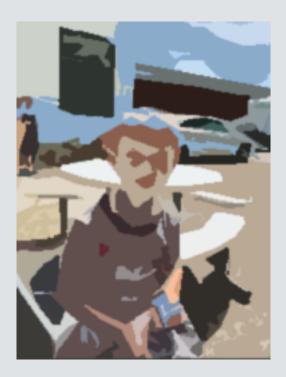


Another place we go to throughout the day is the gym. When we are in the gym, there is a binder of activity ideas that we can play with the kids. Even though we have these activities, my group would rather play kick ball every day. If they are not playing kick ball, we usually have free gym where they play soccer, basketball, or chase each other on scooters.

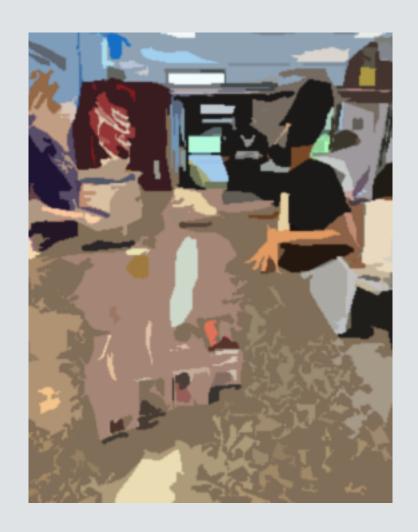
Rotation: Lunch

Lunch Time



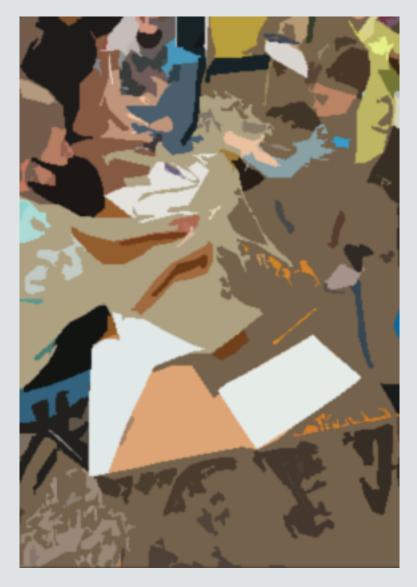


Before lunch everyday, we circle the kids up in the gym. This means they sit in their groups with their counselor. When all the groups are in the gym, the supervisor that day calls each group out into the kitchen to get their food. After each kid gets their food, the staff will take them to the area they are told to eat lunch that day.



Rotation: STEM

Maker Space



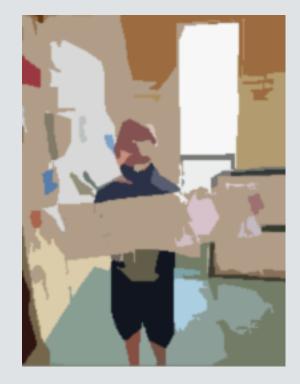




The next space we go to is known as the maker space. The maker space is the area where our kids do their STEM activities. In this room there are staff members that have specialized in these fields to teach the kids all about each aspect of STEM. During this rotation, the kids make many things like sling shots, rockets, and play with robots. The teacher also has them watch videos to help them understand the importance of what they are learning.

Rotation: Art

Art Room





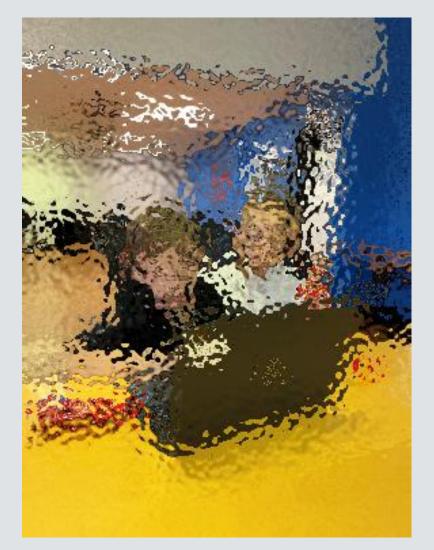


The next rotation during the day we go to is art. In art, we have bins labeled with the days of the week. When we get into the room, I ask the kids to sit down. While they do that, I have to read the directions. I then explain to the kids what they need to do for the day. We get out any materials they need to complete the project for the day. They get really excited to share all of their ideas about how they will make the projects asked of them that day. It is really nice to see how they use their creativity to add their own twist to the projects.

Rotation: Computer room Part 2







Rotation: Outside

Outside





The next place we go is outside. When we take the kids outside, we also bring a big box of toys out with us. In this bin, there are kickballs, jump ropes, chalk, bats, and baseballs. When we are outside, the kids usually get a huge game of kickball going or they break off and play games with smaller groups. There is also four square painted on the pavement outside. The kids don't play four square too often, but when they do they get very competitive about it. I think it is really nice that we are able to give them an opportunity to get outside and run around everyday. A lot of the time the kids tell me since they live on busy streets they don't always have opportunities to go outside and just play. I think it is really special

Rotation: Game Room

Game Room



The last rotation we go to is the game room. The game room is my favorite room in the entire building. In this room, we have a reading area, three games consoles, three pool tables, shuffle board, basketball, foosball, and a tv with Disney plus that the kids love. This is the room where I get challenged to play pool at least four times a day. This room is also a lot of the kids favorite because they love to play each other in games and get a little competitive. It is always fun to see the kids playing each other in games. It is especially fun for me to watch the older and younger kids playing together.

Overall Experience

While working at the Boys and Girls Club as a camp counselor, I get to experience many new things. I see, first hand, what I have been learning throughout my years in school. I realized that you do not have to be an adult to make a huge impact in someone's life. I have also learned that you are never too young to start tying to impact those around you. I would highly recommend this workplace for those who are interested in working with kids. The staff and directors are some of the most genuine people I have met. The staff look out for one another, and the directors make everyone has what they need at all times. While the work is tiring, I cannot think of a more fulfilling job.