

Success Stories



MONISHA was five years old when her mother signed her up for the Boys & Girls Club's Afterschool Program. Monisha admits that she was shy and it was hard for her to make new friends. Now, seven years later, however, she is a confident middle school student and feels right at home at the Boys & Girls Club. She is a leader among her peers and

enjoys playing with all of the friends she has made over the years.

Melisa, Monisha's mother, says, "The Boys & Girls Club has made a difference in me and my daughter's lives by offering low-cost programs and a safe environment for my daughter to play and to do homework. She has positive male and female role models. To me, this is priceless."

Monisha makes good grades in school and already has a plan for herself for when she grows up. "I would like to say 'thank-you' to the staff at the Boys & Girls Club," she says. "When I grow up and become a famous WNBA player, my first check will be written to the Boys & Girls Club of Cabarrus County!"



DAVID has been in the care of his godmother, Jackie, since infancy. When Jackie went back to work two years ago, she faced a dilemma. David was starting kindergarten and she needed to find a safe and affordable place for him to be after school. Jackie had become disheartened with daycares and other programs that were too expensive. She also found that it was hard to depend on babysitters and other parents to look after David.

Once she registered David for the Boys & Girls Club's football program, she found out about the club's Afterschool Program. Jackie's problem was solved.

"The Boys & Girls Club presents a safe environment and encourages positive attitudes," Jackie says. "It provides a clean atmosphere. It teaches David to be the best he can be in sports and in everyday life."

For two years, David has enjoyed playing in the club's football program and has attended the Afterschool and Summer programs and Camp Spencer. "I get special attention from the staff and coaches," David, six, says. "They love me. They want me to be a good boy always."