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NEW YORK STATE AFTERSCHOOL NETWORK

Third Annual Symposium for New York State Regional Afterschool Networks

Supporting Afterschool Programs and Policies in a Tough Economy
Tuesday, November 10, 2009

Agenda

- 10:00am** **Welcome**
- 10:15am** **Government Relations and Advocacy for Afterschool, Workshop and Network Planning**
Rachel Sabella, The After-School Corporation
This workshop will focus on successful strategies in working with government at the local and state levels to gain support for critical afterschool policies and funding priorities. Discussions will include building critical relationships, requesting discretionary awards, writing testimony for public hearings, and more. The session will wrap up with time for each network to develop their own strategies and begin planning their 2010 Advocacy Day.
- 12:30pm** **Lunch**
- 1:00pm** **Current Trends in Bridging School and Afterschool**
Sanjiv Rao and Jennifer Siaca, New York State Afterschool Network
This session will provide an overview of exciting efforts at the federal, state, and local levels to build more intentional and effective connections between school and afterschool, including dropout prevention efforts, expanded learning opportunities, and use of Title I and other funding for afterschool programs.
- 1:45pm** **Cross-Network Discussion: Local Sustainability Efforts**
- 2:15pm** **Sustainability for Programs and Networks**
Jenifer Gager, The Finance Project
This workshop will focus both on Sustainability for programs (including the latest information, promising practices, and tools) as well as regional networks. Participants will receive resources that can be passed along to program providers and other afterschool professionals.
- 4:00pm** **Conclusion**

New York State Afterschool Network (NYSAN) is a statewide public-private partnership dedicated to promoting young people's safety, learning and healthy development by increasing the quality and availability of programs during non-school hours.

NYSAN supports six regional network affiliates, including the Afterschool Network of Buffalo, Central New York Out-of-School Time Network, Greater Rochester After School Alliance, Hudson Valley Afterschool Network, Long Island Partnership for After School Education, and Upper Hudson Afterschool Network, as well as a New York City information-sharing group.