



HIGH-QUALITY EXPANDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES ARE CRITICAL TO NEW YORK STATE

- ✓ KEEP FAMILIES WORKING
- ✓ SUPPORT ACADEMIC AND SOCIAL/EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT
- ✓ PROVIDE A SAFE ENVIRONMENT DURING THE PEAK HOURS OF JUVENILE CRIME

EMPIRE STATE AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM

Support the Governor's proposal of \$35 million for the Empire State After-School program. This pilot program would expand afterschool programs to serve an additional 22,000 students in 16 high-poverty cities across the state starting this year.

Sustain and grow this program in the future. Positive youth outcomes require consistent, long-term participation; therefore, this program must be continued past the pilot year. In future years, expansion of the Empire State-Afterschool program to additional communities would serve many other areas that could benefit from increased afterschool programs.

ADVANTAGE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Appropriate \$32.8 million to the Advantage After School Program. The Governor's Budget Proposal of \$17.2 million is a \$5 million reduction from FY16-17. \$32.8 million would be an increase of \$10.5 million over the FY16-17 funding level, and would increase the total number served by Advantage After School to 20,000 students, the

peak number funded in 2007-08. This increase would also provide the Office of Children and Family Services with adequate funding to raise the per student allotment rate from \$1,375 to \$1,600. This would align AASP per student allotment rates with the 21st Century Community Learning Center program, Extended School Day/ School Violence Prevention program, and the new Empire State After-School program.

EXPANDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES DATA SYSTEM FOR NEW YORK STATE

Invest \$1.2 million in the acquisition of a data system for tracking participant outcomes from expanded learning opportunities (ELOs). This system would support afterschool, summer, expanded learning time, community schools, and other models that offer youth safety, learning, and enrichment beyond traditional school hours. The Network estimates initial costs at approximately \$1.2 million and subsequent annual costs at approximately \$400,000. A data system would help support growth in program quality, simplify data collection and analysis for program providers, and inform New York State policymaking.

-27%

PUBLIC FUNDING FOR EXPANDED LEARNING PROGRAMS ACROSS THE STATE HAS DROPPED BY 27% OVER THE LAST DECADE.



IN COLLABORATION WITH THE ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK STATE YOUTH BUREAUS, CAMPAIGN FOR SUMMER JOBS, EXPANDED SCHOOLS, AND THE NEW YORK STATE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NETWORK, THE NETWORK SUPPORTS THE FOLLOWING BUDGET ASKS:

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Restore \$1.698 million in funding added by the Legislature in the FY16-17 Final Budget. The Executive Budget proposes funding at \$14.12 million.

EXTENDED SCHOOL DAY/SCHOOL VIOLENCE PREVENTION

Maintain funding at \$24.3 million for the ESD/SVP program that was proposed in the Executive Budget.

COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Maintain \$255 million in existing community school funding and add \$100 million to adequately fund and sustain community schools statewide by increasing the Executive Budget proposal for Community Schools Aid by \$50 million. Reserve 5% up to \$5 million of new community schools funding to provide technical assistance and capacity building support for community schools.

EXTENDED LEARNING TIME GRANT INITIATIVE

Maintain \$10 million in funding to extend current ELT grants.

SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

Maintain the \$5 million increase in the Executive Proposal and add an additional \$8.6 million for a total investment of \$44.86 million in SYEP.

