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Spotlight: Lights On Afterschool

Celebrate the 19th annual *Lights On Afterschool* Oct. 25, 2018!

Registration for the 19th annual nationwide rally for afterschool is open!

Launched in October 2000, *Lights On Afterschool* is the only nationwide event celebrating afterschool programs and their important role in the lives of children, families, and communities. The effort has become a hallmark of the afterschool movement and generates media coverage across the country each year.

The Afterschool Alliance organizes this event to draw attention to the many ways afterschool programs support students by offering them opportunities to learn new things—such as science, community service, robotics, Tae Kwon Do, and poetry—and discover new skills. The events send a powerful message that millions more kids need quality afterschool programs.

The event planning kit has all the tools you need to help generate press coverage, excite the community, and inspire policy makers to invest in afterschool. Planning a memorable event doesn't need to take a lot of time or energy. Whether you're putting things together a week beforehand or starting to plan months in advance, the interactive timeline gives you a



checklist to get organized and keep your planning on track. You can explore [event themes](#) as well to strengthen your event planning!

One million Americans will celebrate afterschool programs at 8,000 events nationwide. It's time for *Lights On Afterschool!*

New Social Emotional Learning Guidance & Resources Available for Schools

With back-to-school season approaching, new guidance and resources to implement Social Emotional Learning (SEL) benchmarks, policies, and programs are now available for school districts, State Education Commissioner MaryEllen Elia announced last month.

"When emphasis is placed on educating the whole child, we help our youth be successful in all parts of life – from academics to interpersonal relationships to making good life choices," Board of Regents Chancellor Betty A. Rosa said. "Acquiring social and emotional skills will prove to be invaluable as our children grow. Now we have resources available for schools across New York to help students obtain these vital skills."

"Using these new social emotional learning benchmarks and frameworks, schools can implement practices to help our students reduce emotional distress, increase commitment to school, bolster academic achievement, and decrease disruptive behavior," Commissioner Elia said. "By supporting students both on a social emotional level and an academic level, we provide students with interpersonal skills and a sense of well-being that will help them succeed academically."

According to the Collaborative for Academic, Social, and Emotional Learning (CASEL), social emotional learning "is the process through which children, youth, and adults acquire and effectively apply the knowledge, attitudes, and skills necessary to: understand and manage emotions; set and achieve positive goals; feel and show empathy for others; establish and maintain positive relationships; and make responsible decisions."

Research shows that students who received SEL instruction exhibited the following results:

- achievement scores are 11-13 points higher;
- improved attitudes and behaviors, including motivation to learn, commitment to school, and engagement in the classroom;
- fewer negative behaviors, including disruptive classroom behaviors, non-compliance, aggression, and disciplinary referrals; and
- reduced emotional stress, including student depression, anxiety, and social withdrawal.



As afterschool providers know, many social and emotional skills are developed during afterschool programs. These new benchmarks provide an opportunity for afterschool providers to partner with

schools to support student success. For programs just starting to build relationships with schools, these are also a great starting point for conversations on what success looks like in social emotional learning, and how afterschool programs help build these skills. Check out the benchmarks to further your school-community partnerships this year.

For the full article [click here!](#)

Register for the 2018 Rochester Regional Training Institute!

Saturday, November 10, 2018

Radisson Hotel Rochester Airport 175 Jefferson Rd, Rochester, NY 14623

Take advantage of the Early Bird Rate until September 30!

Register Now

High-Quality Professional Development

- Six OCFS training hours
- Variety of topics
- Appropriate for supervisors, teachers, and frontline staff working with school-age children
- Networking opportunities
- Buffet lunch

For More Information:

[Visit our Regional Institute Webpage](#)

Scholarships

Scholarship funding to participate in this training may be available through the Educational Incentive Program (EIP). For more information or to apply for a scholarship, please visit www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu. You may also contact EIP at eip@albany.edu or 800-295-9616. If you have received an EIP, please sign it and mail it to the Network along with your registration.

For any questions or to register via check or EIP, please contact

Erin@networkforyouthsuccess.org.

Now Accepting Proposals for the 2019 Annual Conference!

Friday, May 10, 2019 to Saturday, May 11, 2018

Saratoga Embassy Suites in Saratoga Springs, NY

This event brings in over 200 afterschool professionals (administrators, executive directors, directors, teachers, and frontline staff) from across the state.

We are accepting proposals in the following topics, but are also open to new and innovative ideas. The workshops are either 90 minutes or 30 minutes.

- Diversity and Inclusion
- Social and Emotional Learning
- Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics (STEAM)
- Guiding Children's Behaviors
- Program Sustainability
- Program Quality Improvement
- Leadership Development for Professionals
- Family Engagement
- Trauma-Informed Care
- Arts
- Self-Care
- Movement

Submit Your Proposal Today!

All submissions are **due by October 24, 2018**. Selected presenters will be notified by November 30, 2018. Accepted presenters also receive free admission to the conference on the day of their presentation.

Feel free to share this RFP with your colleagues and friends!

The link to the RFP:

<http://networkforyouthsuccess.org/2019-conference-rfp/>

More information on the event:

<http://networkforyouthsuccess.org/annual-conference/>

To register as a participant:

Registration will begin in December!

If you have any questions, please contact Erin@networkforyouthsuccess.org.

How does your afterschool program make a difference in the lives of young people?

Tell Us How!

The Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation is interested in learning more about afterschool programs in your area to better inform its grant-making. The foundation has asked Grand Valley State University to conduct a survey of afterschool programs to better understand the afterschool landscape and where funding is most needed. Can you help? Taking the survey is easy and will only take about 15 minutes of your time!

What kinds of questions will be asked?

- What geography is served by your program(s)?
- Who are the youth your program(s) reaches?
- What is special and unique about the youth you currently serve?
- When are your programs offered?

- What are the activities and outcomes of your program(s)? What aspects of your work need more support?

What can I do to make sure my organization is included?

Please schedule your interview today by following this [link](#)! Your work is important, and we want your afterschool programs to be included!



Questions? Want a copy of the results?

Contact Dr. Aaron Van Oosterhout, Research Manager, at (616) 331-9030 or vanoosaa@gvsu.edu.

Thank you in advance for your help!

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Upcoming Events

9/11- 12/18: Distance Learning SAC Credential I Prep Course

The Network offers an alternative way to gain and document skills to earn your SAC Credential if you don't live near a Host Agency that offers face-to-face classes. SACC Prep I covers Skill Areas 1-7 and helps you prepare your Portfolio and Resource File as well as share, discuss, and learn from colleagues throughout the state about the value, purpose, and process of your work. For more information and to apply for the course, go to: <http://networkforyouthsuccess.org/credential/distance-learning/>

9/16: MomUp! Raising Kids Who Code, Troy NY

MomUp! is a fun, two hour interactive workshop for moms who want to help their kids navigate the world of programming, technology careers, and pathways. Software is the interface through which so much of life happens: communicating, planning, banking, research, shopping, healthcare, insurance, the DMV. If we raise our kids to be code-literate, we set them up for a future in which they can be makers, not just users, of software. Being code-literate opens doors for artists, musicians, social scientists, entrepreneurs, engineers, accountants, lawyers, doctors. For more information and how to register, visit [here](#).

9/18: Get in the Game! Successful Intervention Strategies for Serving WIOA Youth

September's webinar will highlight two intervention strategies – Integrated Resource Teams (IRT) and Reverse Career Fairs, and how they can be used to successfully serve youth with barriers to employment. Reverse Career Fairs are an opportunity for job seeking youth to develop materials, displays, and presentations for booths at the fair. Then, it is the businesses who move between the booths to learn about the strengths and skills of the job candidates. For information on how to register go to <https://dews.webex.com>

9/21: Make: Education Forum, World Maker Faire New York 2018, Queens, NY

An important outcome for maker education is helping more students find meaningful, productive work. At this year's Education Forum at World Maker Faire NY, they look at how maker educators can help students navigate the future of work—a future that places a premium on curiosity and innovation. [Click here](#) for more information and how to register.

9/21: Supervisors Series: Effective Supervision

The session focuses on supervision and the importance of having clear and consistent policies, solid systems for ongoing supervision, and plans for the development of staff. Participants will learn about effective staff assessment and evaluation and will begin to develop or refine their systems for ongoing staff supervision and development. The workshop is from 10am-1pm. [Click here](#) for more information, how to register, and a full list of events.

9/22: 2018 Long Island Training Institute

Join the Network for Youth Success for a day of training! Earn 6 training hours across four topics! Lunch will be provided. This training is recommended for front-line staff in afterschool, summer, and expanded learning settings and will be held at the Child Care Council of Nassau. The registration deadline is September 14th. [Visit our website](#) for more details.

9/26: New York State SAC Credential Classes Begin, Capital Region

The Network, in partnership with the Capital District YMCA, will be offering SAC Credential classes this fall. Classes will be held at the North Albany YMCA on Wednesday nights from 6:30-9:30 PM. For

more information, please contact: Alicia Salamone-Powers asalamonepowers@cdymca.org
518.463.9622 x 1320.

9/27: Foundational Series for Line Staff: Introduction to Child and Youth Development

In this Partnership for After School Education foundational workshop, participants will learn about the stages of child and youth development to gain a broader understanding of the needs of children and youth. Participants will also engage in activities that support the healthy development of children and youth and will learn how to plan and integrate activities that support various developmental levels and stages. The workshop is from 10am-1pm. Click [here](#) for more information, how to register, and a full list of events.

10/11: Foundational Series for Line Staff: Supporting Good Nutrition

In this Partnership for After School Education workshop, participants will review nutrition principles and discuss current eating behaviors, physical activities and lifestyle trends that impact children's health. Participants will explore ways to balance food options, make healthy choices with limited resources, and encourage and model healthy behavior to youth and their families. Participants will also learn activities to teach children about healthy eating. The workshop is from 10am-1pm.

Registration opens on Monday, September 24 at 9:00 am. Click [here](#) for more information, how to register, and a full list of events.

10/16 and 10/17: The ECMHC Crisis of Confidence

This live webinar series is designed to support those providing early childhood mental health consultation. A crisis of confidence happens in situations in which we have stopped believing that someone or something can work (is good). The work of an ECMHC can be as heartbreaking as it is rewarding. It is imperative that ECMHCs take time to pause and reflect on the emotionally intense nature of this work and the toll it takes on our confidence. Join seasoned ECMHC, Rachel Wagner, to do just that. To register click [here](#).

10/17-10/19: Community Schools Fundamentals Conference, New York City, NY

Children's Aid National Center for Community Schools presents the Community Schools Fundamentals Conference, a three-day seminar designed specifically for those new or relatively new to community schools. The Fundamentals Conference will share CA's lessons learned from over 25 years of implementation in New York City and capacity building across the country and beyond. In addition to conducting a study visit to a CA community school, participants will learn about the foundations and the "nuts and bolts" of the strategy. For more information and to register, follow [this link!](#)

10/23 and 10/30: Building Your Bounce Professional Development Learning Series

This train-the-trainer live webinar series provides participants with a copy of the Building Your Bounce Professional Development Learning Series that can be used to promote staff wellness in a variety of professional development events including staff meetings and in-service trainings. Join Nefertiti and learn how you can create an overall culture of resilience. To register, click [here](#).

10/24: Foundational Series for Line Staff: Child Abuse Identification and Prevention

Participants in this Partnership for After School Education workshop will learn physical and behavioral indicators of child abuse and maltreatment. Participants will learn when and how a report must be made, actions the reporter is mandated to take, legal protections afforded reporters, and consequences for failing to report. The workshop is from 10am-1pm. Registration opens on Monday, October 8 at 9:00 am. Click [here](#) for more information, how to register, and a full list of events.

10/25: Lights On Afterschool, Nationwide

One million Americans will celebrate afterschool programs at 8,000 events nationwide. It's time for Lights On Afterschool! Registration for the 19th annual nationwide rally for afterschool is open. Thursday, October 25, 2018 is a golden opportunity to make sure parents, policymakers, and

communities understand the impact of afterschool programs in keeping kids safe, inspiring them to learn, and giving families peace of mind. The event planning kit has all the tools you need to help generate press coverage, excite the community, and inspire policymakers to invest in afterschool. [Register today!](#)

10/25-10/26: 48th Annual Youth Development Training Conference, Tarrytown, NY

The Association of Youth Bureaus and The Coalition for Homeless Youth invite youth professionals to attend their Annual Youth Development Training Conference. The training conference will focus on issues and initiatives supporting positive youth development, runaway and homeless youth, and afterschool programs and services. The conference offers colleagues the opportunity to share best/promising practices, learn skill sets to assist youth in achieving their goals, and hear updates on federal, state, and local issues and initiatives impacting the youth development field. More information can be found [here](#).

10/26-10/28: 2018 NAMI-NYS Educational Conference

The conference will feature national leaders in mental health research, treatment, service delivery and advocacy who will provide attendees with the tools needed to understand how the treatment of psychiatric disorders is moving forward. Key topics disseminated at the conference will include identifying various types of community-based mental health services, the importance of family engagement in recovery, how to communicate the need for treatment to people who refuse treatment or don't recognize their illness, suicide prevention strategies, how NAMI-NYS can serve as community partners as well explore key advocacy issues such as mental health housing and insurance parity. To register follow this [link](#).

11/1: Foundational Series for Line Staff: Creating Physically Safe Spaces

In this Partnership for After School Education workshop, participants will learn how to spot safety hazards and make appropriate changes to keep youth safe. Participants will also understand safety procedures for indoor and outdoor environments, such as fire drills, evacuations, field trips and travel, and inter-agency communication; and gain a better understanding of effective communication and emergency response systems with program stakeholders, including parents, agency headquarters, and if school-based, designated building administrators. Participants will review School-Age Child Care (SACC) regulations related to safety and understand what their site's safety plan should include. The workshop is from 10am-1pm. Registration opens on Monday, October 15 at 9:00 am. Click [here](#) for more information, how to register, and a full list of events.

11/1 and 11/8: Optimize Your Use of the DECA-C (Clinical)

This live webinar series highlights the DECA-C (Clinical): a standardized, norm-referenced behavior rating scale that evaluates behaviors related to social and emotional resilience and concerns in preschool children ages 2 through 5. It is designed to support early intervention efforts to reduce or eliminate significant emotional and behavioral concerns in preschool children. This webinar will focus on using the DECA-C as part of the DECA Program as well as its use as a stand alone tool. To register click [here](#).

11/8: Foundational Series for Line Staff: Conflict Resolution

This Partnership for After School Education workshop will cover the basics of conflict resolution and effective communication. By exploring the roots of conflict, participants will gain new strategies not only for dealing positively with conflict, but also for helping children and youth manage conflicts. Participants will have the opportunity to practice conflict mediation skills through role-plays and active listening. The workshop is from 10am-1pm. Registration opens on Monday, October 22 at 9:00 am. Click [here](#) for more information, how to register, and a full list of events.

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11/10: Rochester Training Institute, Rochester

Our Rochester Training Institute is returning and will take place Saturday, November 10th, 2018. Take advantage of the Early Bird Rate until September 30! [Register Now!](#) This includes High-Quality Professional Development; six OCFS training hours; a variety of topics, and is appropriate for supervisors, teachers, and frontline staff working with school-age children, networking opportunities, and a buffet lunch! For more information, please click [here!](#)

11/12-11/14: Summer Changes Everything, Missouri

Join hundreds of summer learning and expanded opportunity leaders on November 12-14 in Kansas City, MO for National Summer Learning Association's annual conference devoted entirely to summer learning. What to expect? The nation's top summer time leaders from across the country sharing and discussing effective learning approaches, systems building, program planning, policies, and ways to advocate for our nation's children. More information and registration can be found [here!](#)

3/5-3/18: National AfterSchool Association Convention, New York, New York

Join our community for four days of networking, learning, and inspiration. For more information follow [this link.](#)

3/16: Terra Science and Engineering Fair

Whether you want to explore Cassini's adventures around Saturn, test water quality in a local creek, or design an app to prep for your next exam, the Terra Northeast Regional Science & Engineering Fair (TNRSEF) enables you to ask questions and find answers! Students in grades 6-12 can come to SUNY Geneseo in March to celebrate all s/he has learned and perhaps even earn an award. More information can be found [here](#).



5/10-5/11: Network for Youth Success Annual Conference, Saratoga Springs

Save the Date! Back by popular demand for one more year in Saratoga Springs! Click [here](#) for more information!

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