



FY2018-19 BUDGET PRIORITIES FOR AFTERSCHOOL, SUMMER, AND EXPANDED LEARNING

NEW YORK STATE

ADVANTAGE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Restore Advantage After School Program (AASP) funding to the FY16-17 appropriation level of \$22.3 million. If funding is not restored to the FY16-17 level, the next round of Advantage After School will serve an estimated 1,800 less students.

- At least 1,800 students are at risk of losing access to afterschool programs beginning next school year if funding is not restored to \$22.3 million.
- Without a restoration to \$22.3 million, a new Request for Proposals for Round 10 of AASP is not guaranteed, meaning 56 Round 8 grantees expiring June 2018 may not have an opportunity to apply for a new five year grant until 2019.
- Out of the 177 AASP's operating across the state, 103 of these programs are located in areas not currently served through the Empire State After-School Program.
- Every recent competition for afterschool funding has left three out of four applicants unfunded. Unfunded, but qualified, applications for the 2014 round of Advantage After School funding totaled over \$31 million; the 2012 round totaled almost \$48 million.

EMPIRE STATE AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM

Maintain level funding of \$35 million for FY18-19 and open eligibility up to community based

organizations (CBO's) who would serve students from the school districts that are eligible for funding. If eligibility is not opened up to CBO's, require school districts to partner with a CBO in the delivery of the program. This would apply to any grant awards made in future rounds of the 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.

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-\$2.5 MILLION

FUNDING FOR ADVANTAGE AFTER SCHOOL WAS CUT BY \$2.5 MILLION IN THE FY17-18 ENACTED BUDGET