FY2019-20 BUDGET PRIORITIES
FOR AFTERSCHOOL, SUMMER, AND EXPANDED LEARNING

ADVANTAGE
AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM
Restore base level funding by $5 million and then increase overall funding by $15.2 million to accommodate a per pupil increase. Support the proposed $10.7 million minimum wage increase, and extend the funding through FY23-24.

- This would increase the per student rate to $2,320 while continuing to serve the same number of students. Serving the same number of students is critical.
- Through the Advantage program, New York State currently serves more than 16,000 students at a per student rate of $1,375. This is lower than the per student rate of $1,600 for the more recently implemented Empire State After-School Program (ESASP). Neither current allocation is enough to cover the true expenses of high-quality afterschool programs.
- Based on our research, program costs range from just under $3,000 in Buffalo to $6,000 in New York City. Most of that amount already goes to paying salaries, before the upcoming increase in minimum wage. That increase means that programs will have a difficult time both increasing salaries and paying for supplies/activities that not only support programs, but make those programs high quality.

EMPIRE STATE
AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM
Support the Governor’s proposal for an additional $10 million, bringing total funding to $55 million and roughly 35,000 students served. The continued expansion of this program means that thousands of children and youth in New York State will benefit from programs that enhance their education and strengthen Protective Factors.

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.

DEDICATE 25% OF REVENUE FROM THE LEGALIZATION OF ADULT USE MARIJUANA TO AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS.

If you have any questions, please contact Jenn O’Connor at 518-817-1107 or policy@networkforyouthsuccess.org
IN COLLABORATION WITH THE ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK STATE YOUTH BUREAUS, NEW YORK STATE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NETWORK, CAMPAIGN FOR SUMMER JOBS, & WINNING BEGINNING NY, 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.

**EXTENDED SCHOOL DAY/SCHOOL VIOLENCE PREVENTION**  
*Maintain funding at $24.3 million* for the ESD/SVP program as proposed in the Executive Budget.

**EXTENDED LEARNING TIME**  
*Maintain funding at $21.6 million* to continue existing extended learning time grants.

**COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**  
*Invest $100 million in new funding* for community schools through a Community Schools Categorical Aid and maintain $250 million in Community Schools Set-Aside as proposed in the Executive Budget, including the minimum allocation of $100K to school districts. Add an additional $650K in funding for the Community Schools Technical Assistance Centers, for a total of $1.765M annually through June 30, 2023.

**SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM**  
*Increase investment by $4 million* to employ 3,000 additional staff and increase the number of youth they can serve.

**CHILD CARE SUBSIDIES**  
*Increase funding by $51 million* over last year’s enacted budget.

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