2020 Conference, "Dream Jobs", and More!
February 5, 2020

Registration

Our Annual School's Out, Make it Count! Conference is right around the corner! Don't miss out on one of New York State's largest conferences dedicated to afterschool - sign up today! Take this opportunity to network with over 200 afterschool professionals, administrators, family care providers, trainers, teachers, and community providers from across the state!

Conference Brochure

Take a minute to view the draft of the 25th Anniversary Edition of the Conference Brochure. Browse through over 50 trainings ranging from Social Emotional Learning to The History of Afterschool.

Vendors

Vendors wanted! Don't miss out on a great opportunity to showcase your services and/or products to over 200 attendees! Click here to view the application.

Conference FAQ
Still have questions about the School's Out, Make it Count! Conference? Check out our Conference FAQ for a multitude of answers to a variety of questions!

**Funding?**

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, click here. You can also contact EIP directly via eip@albany.edu or 800-295-9616.

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**How Children's "Dream Job" is no Longer in Sync with the Current Economy**

Written by Sarah D. Sparks at Education Week, this article goes into depth on how the job market has evolved and developed, but children's idea of the "dream job" hasn't. Here is a short excerpt from the article:

"In the middle of the last century, the U.S.-Russia space race launched 'astronaut' and 'rocket scientist' as new 'dream jobs' for a generation. But since the start of this century, the career aspirations of teenagers have narrowed, not expanded, in spite of arguably equally dramatic technological and social changes. A new global study by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development finds teenagers' "dream jobs" today are nearly identical to those in 2000, and could leave many students at a disadvantage in the emerging economy."

If you are interested in reading the whole article click here.

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**Policy Corner**

"Governor Cuomo's recently released budget proposal has some afterschool program advocates worried. The proposal keeps $10 million for the Empire State After-School Program, but cuts $5 million from the Advantage After School Program. The programs that Advantage offers typically cost $3,000 to $6,000 per kid."

WNYT News Channel 13 recently spoke with Jenn O'Connor, Prevent Child Abuse NY & New York State Network for Youth Success Board Member about the impact of said cuts on afterschool programs. Click here for more.
In order to restore this crucial funding and advocate for the other funding streams that support afterschool, summer, and expanded learning opportunities, the Network hosted its annual Advocacy Day on January 22nd. Approximately 300 advocates, parents, staff, and youth convened at the Capitol Building in Albany and met with their representatives to share the importance of these programs. The day concluded with an uplifting rally featuring student speakers and legislator's remarks.

See the Network's budget requests in response to Governor Cuomo's Executive Budget Proposal [summary here](#). Additional media coverage is available from the Capitol Pressroom and Spectrum News.

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### #ILoveAfterschool2020

Join the Network for Youth Success on our I Love Afterschool Valentine's Campaign. Our goal is to increase awareness about the unbelievable benefits of the afterschool field on a statewide scale using individuals who represent, support, or participate in afterschool programs. We ask you to print out the "I love afterschool because..." template by clicking on the picture to the right, and tell us why you love afterschool by posting it on your own social media using #ILoveAfterschool2020, or by sending it to us at Capacity@NetworkForYouthSuccess.org and allowing us to post on your behalf!

*Remember if your picture includes children in them, be sure to have written consent from their parents or legal guardians.*

Take a look at [NAA's Valentine's Day Campaign](#) for information on their own initiative!

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### OCFS Resources

OCFS released a new Dear Provider Letter on January 13th. [Click here](#) to view the new letter. For additional OCFS resources on the new background checks, check out the links below:

- FAQs on Background Clearances; ICYMI: Comprehensive Background Clearance Requirements Video; SAC Regulations & Definitions; 6000 Pack; OCFS website; Letter to Families, Funders, and School Personnel; Leave a comment or question about the new regulations [here](#).

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### Network for Youth Success Events

#### 2/12/20 - 5/7/20: CRELO Trainings, Across the Capital Region
The Network for Youth Success will be providing various Front Line and Director Trainings across the Capital Region at no cost. For more information [click here](#).

#### 3/6: Legislative Breakfast, Greenbush, NY
The Network in conjunction with our Capital Region Network (CRELO) plan to host its annual Legislative Breakfast on March 6, 2020, at the Greenbush YMCA. If you would like
to attend, please sign up by clicking on the link here.

Don't miss out on one of New York State's largest conferences dedicated to afterschool with our Annual School's Out, Make it Count! Conference. Don't wait, sign up today! Curious about what trainings are being offered? Check out the draft of the brochure, now available on our website. To become a vendor, click here.

8/20 & 8/25/2020: Health and Safety Training for Directors, Troy, NY
Directors are responsible for hiring, training, and maintaining staff who provide a healthy and safe environment for children. This course will help directors look at policies and procedures that reinforce high-quality health and safety practices. Directors will get the most out of this training if they bring a copy of the policies and procedures from their program. Registration is limited to 12, so don't wait to register! Click here.

9/2020 - 12/2020: Distance Learning
The Distance Learning School-Age Care (SAC) Preparatory Course includes viewing recorded videos, reading, and preparing a portfolio and resource file. This class meets the education requirement to be a Site Director in New York State. We are now enrolling for Fall 2020.

Other Events

2/14: RIT Girls in STEM Fair Essay Contest
For the second time, the RIT Girls in STEM Fair is offering an essay contest. Girls in grades 5-12 may enter by responding to the certain prompt questions. Your essay must be under the word limit noted for your grade level. A panel of RIT Women in STEM and RIT K-12 team members will judge essays. Please contact Olivia Manske with any questions.

2/18: Annual GRASA February Summit, Rochester, NY
The 7th Annual GRASA February Summit will take place on Tuesday, February 18, 2020, from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm, at East High School. This year, all afterschool /OST staff will attend one mandated session on the new SEL (Social-Emotional Learning) PQA tool that our community will be shifting to this spring. Then, each of you can choose two more sessions from a growing list including hands-on STEM, SEL and self-care. Click here to take a look at the agenda/registration form.

2/20: Design & Manage a Quality Mentoring Program, Buffalo, NY
For professionals interested in developing a mentoring program, this comprehensive session will provide the necessary tools and information to launch and sustain an effective youth mentoring program. Covered in this training will be the industry's nationally accepted best practice standards for the development of youth mentoring programs that have proven effective in a wide range of existing mentoring strategies. To register, click here.

2/29: Community-Wide Basketball League, Rochester, NY
Rochester Community Centers is looking for players and coaches for their Community-Wide Basketball League. Running from 2/29 - 4/28, games will run from 10am-2pm. There will be 3 age divisions: Pee-Wee (6-9), Juniors (10-12), and Seniors (13-15). For more information, call 585.428.7592, or visit www.cityofrochester.gov/cwbbl.

It's time to start planning your trip to the nation's capital for the annual National Anti-Hunger Policy Conference. Join 1,200+ of your colleagues for what is sure to be the anti-hunger community's biggest and best conference yet. Click here to register.

Join over 2,000 community members at the Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center for four days of networking, learning, and inspiration. Special events, 200+ educational sessions, daily keynotes, and an interactive Learning Expo all designed to meet the needs of the developing professionals, and emerging current leaders of afterschool. Come to NAA Convention 2020, and leave saying, "I've found my people!" For more information, click here.

Common Ground is looking for volunteer mediators to serve in community-based and Family Court Mediation programs. Common Ground is a non-profit mediation center, serving Greene & Columbia counties, funded in part through a grant from the NYS Unified Court System. Send resumes with letter of interest to: dwallant@commongroundinc.org or mail, Dawn Wallant, Executive Director, Common Ground Dispute Resolution Inc., 11 William St., Catskill NY 12414. For more information call 518-943-0523.

This conference will take place in Rochester with actress and activist Ms. Abernathy, daughter of American Civil Rights Leader Ralph Abernathy. For more information or to register, click here.

4/28 - 5/1: 2020 BOOST Conference, Palm Springs, CA
The 2020 BOOST Conference will convene over 2,500 global educators April 28 - May 1 in sunny Palm Springs, CA. They are now in the Early-Bird registration phase with a rate of $465. Register your team today to celebrate the best of afterschool and expanded learning fields. Click here for more information and how to apply.

Enrollment for the 2020 National Bilingual Bee & Biliteracy Competition is now open! The competition is open to any bi-literate students fluent in English and one of the following languages: Arabic, French, Haitian Creole, Mandarin Chinese, or Spanish. To enroll click here. If you have questions please contact mirta@smartcoos.com.

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