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## Program Spotlight: Boys and Girls Club of the Capital Area

On Friday, May 15th the [Boys & Girls Clubs of the Capital Area](#) (BGCCA) celebrated serving over 100,000 meals to youth and families in the Capital Region. Since the program began on March 18th, BGCCA's food service continues to grow with community demand and has gone from serving 800 meals daily to over 2,000.

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Feeding both youth and families, meals are prepared at BGCCA's commercial kitchen and distributed through mobile delivery sites. These meals are available at 12 Albany and Troy locations from 11:30am to 12:30pm. A list of their meal locations can be found [here](#).

Anyone interested in receiving meals at one of these locations can register at [meals@bgcccapitalarea.org](mailto:meals@bgcccapitalarea.org). If you would like to help prepare food in BGCCA's kitchen or distribute at one of their delivery locations contact Claire Livezey at [clivezey@bgcccapitalarea.org](mailto:clivezey@bgcccapitalarea.org).

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In addition to feeding their community, BGCCA is taking extra steps to connect with local families through a virtual social community called the #GreatFuturesGroup. The goal is to bring positivity to Capital Region homes through enriching and easy to set-up activities that all families can participate in. Visit [bit.ly/GreatFuturesGroup](https://bit.ly/GreatFuturesGroup) to join today!

Looking ahead the BGCCA will be adding new distance learning opportunities to better serve youth and families from the comfort and safety of their home. Currently their Pre-K teachers offer weekly lessons and activities for students. In the next couple of weeks the BGCCA will be launching additional programs such as Lyricism 101, Workforce Development and more. To keep connected you can follow them on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/bgcccapitalarea/> or visit their website at [bgcccapitalarea.org](http://bgcccapitalarea.org).

If you would like to share how your program has been able to stay in contact with your community, feel free so fill out our [questionnaire](#).

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## COVID-19 Resources

Please see the attached documents released in response to the growing concern around COVID-19. Take a moment to read this information and familiarize yourself with the content. We will be updating this section of the newsletter every week with new materials.

- (5/05) [Dear Child Care Provider Letter](#)
- (5/01) [DOH COVID-19 Testing Information](#)
- (4/26) [DOH Updated Guidance for COVID-19](#)
- (4/26) [Clarification of the Terms Serious Incident, Serious Injury, Serious Condition, Communicable Disease and When to Obtain Emergency Medical Care](#)
- (4/17) [Interim Guidance on Executive Orders 202.17 and 202.18 Requiring Face Coverings in Public During the COVID-19 Outbreak](#)
- (4/14) [Interim Guidance on Required Face Coverings](#)

**For more information, a plethora of other resources, and additional updates check out our [COVID-19 resource page](#).**

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## Resource Center for Summer Camps

The safety and health of campers and staff is always the highest priority at camp, and camps have a long history of planning for and managing communicable diseases. With the spread of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) within the United States, now is an excellent time for camps to review and update health-related plans and procedures and communicate with your camp families and staff members.

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[Click here](#) and take advantage of these sources curated by the American Camp Association to ensure you stay up to date on the latest information and best practices for coronavirus and communicable disease prevention and management.

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## QSA Corner

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The QSA Tool is meant to be used in concert with other formal and informal evaluation methods, such as youth, parent and staff meetings, youth and parent focus groups, and external monitoring and evaluation. Each of these methods can help identify program strengths and areas in need of improvement. Whether you need help getting started, or something else, check out our website for a ton of helpful information, including a number of translated QSA's if needed! [Click here](#) to visit our website, or email [Marcos Velazquez](#) with any questions.

**Save the date:** June 5th, 10:00am, Timothy Fowler will teach you how to use online tools to conduct a self-assessment with your team when you can't be in the same room together! More details to follow.

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## Network for Youth Success Events

### **5/20 - 6/4: Trauma-Informed Practice in Afterschool, Virtual Training**

Discover the role that afterschool programs play in helping children survive and thrive after traumatic experiences. Using trauma-informed care research, this workshop will explore how afterschool programs can be safe places for all children. Emphasis will be on practices in afterschool, including interactions with children and program development. This workshop is for all afterschool, summer, and expanded learning time staff who want to integrate trauma-informed practices into their programs.

- For those who cannot attend the training at its original designated time (9:30 AM - 11:30 AM), this training will now be available on June 1 from 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM. To register for this training, [click here](#).

Note: When registering please try to sign up for the training dedicated to your region. If you are unable to attend that training, you may sign up for another. Each training is limited to limit 60 participants. To register, [click here](#).

### **8/20 & 8/25: 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](#).

### **9/23: Fall SAC Credential Course, Capital District**

The New York State Network for Youth Success administers the New York State School Age Care (SAC) Credential, which promotes quality services to children and families by providing specific standards, training, and evaluation for afterschool professionals. For those interested, [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.](#)

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## Other Events

### **5/20: CDC's Live Stakeholder Call: Schools and Childcare Programs, Webinar**

The CDC is hosting a live stakeholders call to help communities plan for, respond to, and recover from the COVID-19 pandemic. To register, [click here](#).

### **5/20: Listening to Young Adult Parents: The Multigenerational Making of Mental Health, Webinar**

The impact of parental mental health on children's development and outcomes is well-documented, but these impacts are rarely considered while centering young parents' experiences. We have also rarely considered the unique experiences of young parents of color, and the role of inter-generational trauma in shaping families' relationship to mental health. "Listening to Young Parents: The Multi-generational Making of Mental Health" brings together two presentations that draw on qualitative reports from young parents to offer practice, program, and policy solutions to addressing their mental health needs. This webinar will focus on listening to and learning from the lived experience of young parents. For more information or to register, [click here](#).

### **5/21: Operating Remotely During COVID-19, Webinar**

Do you have questions about operating your nonprofit remotely? Curious how other leaders are balancing fulfillment of their mission with necessary safety measures, particularly as the state looks towards reopening? Sign up for the next Nonprofit Resources Webinar to discuss. For more information, [click here](#).

### **5/21: Calling for Virtual Teaching Artists, Application**

Getting creative from home is more important now than ever before. Do you have a skill you would like to teach others? Are you able to do it virtually? Arts Mid-Hudson is looking for you! Those interested, [click here](#) to apply.

### **5/21: Operating Remotely During COVID-19, Webinar**

What does the switch to working remotely mean for your nonprofit? How can your organization continue to work and fulfill its mission in this new virtual environment? Hear about best practices and organizational resilience from leaders in the NY nonprofit space, and participate in the live Q&A in this upcoming webinar. To register, [click here](#).

### **5/27: How the History of Racism is Negatively Affecting our Response to the Overdose Epidemic in All Communities, Webinar**

The resounding narrative suggests that the impact of the opioid overdose epidemic has primarily occurred in predominantly white, rural communities. However, death rates have also risen for many communities of color. Understanding the current response to the opioid epidemic, and how to remedy it, involves a closer look at what barriers have existed for communities of color, which often lie beyond the realm of behavioral health. This discussion will frame those historical and legislative constraints, and explore how we can adapt the current response. For more information or to register, [click here](#).

### **5/28: Financial and Economic Impact on NY Amid Coronavirus Pandemic, Webinar**

As New York tries to get the spread of coronavirus under control, it still has to reckon with major changes to its financial services industry, as well as the broader economy of the state. Over one million New Yorkers have filed for unemployment due to COVID-19 related job loss/reduced pay, and the ripple effects include a loss of tax revenue that could exacerbate upcoming budget cuts. How are we going to deal with all of this? Hear from NYC Comptroller Scott Stringer, and NYS Department of Financial Services

Superintendent Linda A. Lacewell in this upcoming webinar. For more information, [click here](#).

### **6/1 -6/26: Rise Up for Equity: Virtual Summit on Community Schools and Family Engagement!**

Starting on June 1st, there will be 20 days of plenary, workshop, and deep-dive sessions! The virtual summit offers the best of both worlds, combining the content, networks and expertise from IEL's flagship events, the Community Schools National Forum and the National Family and Community Engagement Conference. Become immersed in multiple events, learn more about innovative and proven practices, approaches and research from grassroots to systems efforts to co-create equitable communities. You no longer need to choose between experiences - participate as your schedule permits and/or watch a recording at your own convenience. To register, [click here](#).

### **10/15: WGiOS Celebrate Children's Mental Health Awareness, Scotia, NY**

SAVE THE DATE: Thursday, October 15, 2020. What's Great in Our State has rescheduled their Day of celebration for children's mental health. The day will include workshops and an honorary luncheon celebrating their honorees. Save the date and stay tuned for registration.

## **Ways You Can Help the Network!**

Choose us as your non-profit through [Amazon Smile](#), [donate](#), become a [member](#), follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#), or check out our [website](#)!

## **School's Out, Make it Count! Partners**

Please take a moment to view some of our partners for the School's Out, Make it Count! 2020 Annual Conference. Each one offers a variety of resources to the field. Check out their websites for more information by clicking on their name:

[\*\*Early Care and Learning Council\*\*](#)  
[\*\*The Buffalo Police Athletic League\*\*](#)



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