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## Spotlight on Trudy Morgan, Meet the Power of 3:00 Ambassadors, Introduce a Girl to Engineering, and More

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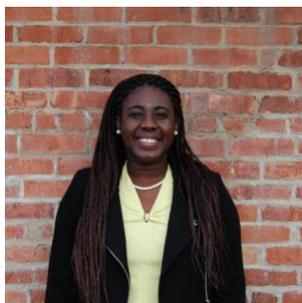
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## Spotlight: Trudy Morgan recognized as part of NAA's 2022 Next Generation Afterschool Leaders



Our very own Trudy Morgan was selected as one of the National Afterschool Alliance's [2022 Next Generation Afterschool Leaders](#). Trudy, along with 19 honorees, is being recognized for her contributions to programs, organizations, and communities in the afterschool field.

Trudy has worked with partners statewide to develop inclusive priorities to support the field. During the pandemic, Trudy implemented data-collection methods to gather program needs and successes to highlight with legislators. Furthermore, Trudy is building and supporting a team of young professionals to advance afterschool policy priorities and give afterschool leaders the skills they need to advocate for themselves and their programs. Trudy truly exemplifies what it means to be a next generation afterschool leader.

Congratulations, Trudy!!!

### Program Spotlight

Want to be featured on Facebook or our enews?

Fill out the personal/program form to tell us about the great things you or your program are doing.

**Personal Spotlight | Program Spotlight**

## The Network Welcomes Stacy!

Stacy Quinn is joining our team as a part-time bookkeeper. Stacy has numerous years' experience with bookkeeping, accounts payable and receivable. She has 2 sons—a 21-year-old, Tyler, who is active duty in the Army, as well as a 12-year-old, Caiden, whose passion is basketball and the NY Knicks. Stacy's 3rd child is an 8lb Maltipoo named Bentley, who she enjoys dressing up because her sons no longer allow her to do so.



When Stacy is not working you can find her in the kitchen cooking amazing meals for her family, even though most of the time they want chicken nuggets. Stacy's passion beyond cooking is health and wellness. She enjoys running, swimming, and encouraging and motivating others to live a healthy lifestyle.

Stacy is looking forward to being a part of our team, and we're thrilled to have her on board!

## Meet the 2022 Power of 3:00 Ambassadors



Please join us in welcoming the new 2022 Power of 3:00 Ambassadors cohort. These six, passionate afterschool supporters and advocates—representing six of our regional networks around the state—will work closely with our policy department over the course of the year to become dedicated advocates for New York's youth and families.

- Jonathan Coyle, Rochester
- Dana Wheeler, NYC
- Holly Hayden, Syracuse
- Hanna O'Neill, Buffalo
- Timothy Pratt, Capital Region
- June Muto, Wolcott

To learn more about our Power of 3:00 Ambassadors, [click here](#).

## Survey: Impact of Changes to Reimbursement Model on State-Funded Afterschool Programs

The Network is seeking information on the recent changes to an attendance-based reimbursement model for state afterschool funding sources.

The Network is collecting data to better understand the impacts of changing to an attendance-based reimbursement model for Advantage After school programs and Empire State After-School programs. The Network wants to know how this change has impacted state-funded afterschool programs.

If your program receives funding through Advantage After School programs or Empire State After-School programs, we want to hear from you!

Take the Survey

## State of Afterschool Update Calls

The "State of Afterschool Update Calls" are quick 30-minute calls held several times during the budget season to level-set on the State budget process and to discuss afterschool and other afterschool-related advocacy efforts with the Policy Committee, lobbyists working on afterschool, and other relevant policy stakeholders. These calls will also provide updates about organizations' advocacy and lobbying efforts to advance youth success, and share necessary resources to ensure that afterschool is elevated in New York's Final Budget.

These 2022 update calls will occur on the following dates:

**March:** March 2, 16, & 23

**April:** April 6 & 20

Register to join [here](#).

## Introduce a Girl to Engineering

Celebrate Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day on February 24, 2022!



DiscoverE's Girl Day is a time when volunteers, educators, and others act as role models, facilitate engineering activities, and show girls how engineers change our world.

Earn an A+ from all of the girls who attend your Girl Day celebrations with these planning guides:

- [Educators Planning Guide](#)—Spark girls' interest in engineering in classrooms, afterschool programs, and other group settings.
- [Engineers / Volunteers Planning Guide](#)—Inspire a girl's future by sharing with her what engineering is all about.

- [Parents Planning Guide](#)—Learn how you can introduce your child to engineering. Life is messy and your child doesn't always deal with clear-cut problems.

Join Technovation to learn about the Engineering Design Process and how this framework can help anybody approach all sorts of complex problems both within STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) and outside of it. In this session, we will focus on the different steps of the Engineering Design Process, including iteration and developing resistance to failure in STEM.

**When:** April 1, 9 am–10 am

**REGISTER:** [Click here](#)

## OCFS Market Rate Survey

Currently, the school age field is dramatically underrepresented in the State's Market Rate Survey. This survey is used to set the rate the Department of Social Services will use to reimburse for care for subsidy eligible families.



**Office of Children and Family Services**

The last market rates were established in 2019, and hopefully you all have raised your rates since then. If you have, this would drive the reimbursable rate for care higher than what was established in 2019.

**Please call 844-863-9318 to complete the survey as soon as possible.**

Even if you do not serve subsidized families, or if you do not charge a fee for your programs, you can support your fellow programs by completing the survey.

## Grant Opportunities from No Kid Hungry

[No Kid Hungry New York](#) is announcing several new grant opportunities to help expand access to meals for kids in New York. These grants include funding to support partnerships between school districts and community organizations for projects like SNAP outreach and school pantries, school nutrition grants to support school meal programs, and funding to support school district summer meal programs. To be considered for one of these grants, all school districts and community organizations must submit the interest form by **March 1, 2022**.



Learn more about the grants and submit the interest form by visiting the [No Kid Hungry New York website](#).

Interested in advancing in the school-age field?  
Need the qualifications to become a Site Director?

## EARN YOUR SCHOOL-AGE CREDENTIAL TODAY

## Network for Youth Success Events

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### **Apr. 8–9: School's Out, Make it Count! Annual Conference (NOW VIRTUAL!)**

Registration for the 2022 Annual Virtual Conference is now OPEN! Enjoy the same benefits of the in-person conference from the comfort and convenience of your home. Participate in 10 hours of training, featuring topics on leadership, STEAM, inclusion, and more!

All paid registrants for the conference, regardless of date of registration, will be offered the opportunity to **activate a free 1-Year Individual Membership to the Network**. The link to activate will be shared after the conference concludes. Current members will be offered a free one-year extension to their membership.

Check out our [conference web page](#) for the latest news and information.

**[Click here](#) to register!**

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*Check the Network for Youth Success [events page](#) anytime for a current listing of upcoming events.*

## Other Events

### **How out of school time programs can help families apply for the expanded child tax credit (pre-recorded webinar)**

The Coalition for Human Needs (CHN) hosted a webinar to help get out information on the expanded child tax credit and how to help families claim their credit. Ninety percent of kids in the U.S. are eligible for the expanded child tax credit and their parents/guardians can receive up to \$3,600 per child if they file tax returns this year. Afterschool programs can help families claim the credit. You don't have to be a tax expert to help! Programs can send text messages or emails to families about the credit and where they can get tax assistance, send flyers home with children, host "tax nights" with local tax or immigration experts to help answer families' questions, and review the documents needed to file taxes and more.

**[Click here](#)** to watch the webinar.

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### **Feb. 24: Planning for a game-changing summer (webinar; 1 pm)**

The Afterschool Alliance, Every Hour Counts, and the National Summer Learning Association have teamed up to offer a webinar to review what it takes to make a summer program successful, provide recommendations for planning effectively right now, and share tips from program leaders. With new resources available for summer programming and great challenges facing our students, we have an opportunity to make summer 2022 a game-changer. Programs allow students to explore, create, connect with peers and mentors, and accelerate learning in an informal and fun setting. While this summer provides a tremendous opportunity to help youth thrive, this winter is the ideal time to plan your 2022 summer programs.

**To register [click here](#).**

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### **Feb. 23: Computational Thinking: Break it down**

**(virtual; 2 pm)**

Join Click2Science for a hands-on, interactive workshop designed to introduce Computer Science to afterschool professionals. More and more afterschool programs, museums, and libraries are adding computer science programming. This is an opportunity for your team to build their confidence and competence in this area.

Learn how breaking a problem into smaller, manageable parts—deconstructing a problem—is key to computational thinking. Get strategies to help youth learn how to deconstruct a problem and develop as computational thinkers and experience hands-on activities from Code.org and Scratch. Plus, get the curriculum to implement them.

To register for this workshop, [click here](#)

### **Mar. 9: Monthly Community of Practice (1 pm–2 pm)**

In an effort to support communities most adversely impacted by the pandemic, [New York State Cares for Communities \(NYSCFC\)](#) provides **free opportunities for staff from community-based and faith-based organizations across NY state**. These interactive sessions are a chance to connect with colleagues, share ideas and challenges, and learn from one another. Each month may highlight a specific topic, with a primary focus on family engagement and support.



To register, [click here](#).

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