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Spotlight: Last Chance to Register for SAC Credential Courses



If you currently work at a school age child care program, the School Age Care (SAC) Credential Course could have a substantial impact on your career and your program.

The SAC Credential Course is an in-depth study of competency standards that reflect best practices in after-school programs. You'll explore ways to to nurture children's physical, social, emotional and intellectual growth. Major topics include:

- maintaining a safe, healthy learning environment
- child development

- challenging behaviors
- working with families
- curriculum development
- operational program management
- communication
- professionalism

Part 1 covers skill areas 1-7, and Part 2 covers skill areas 8-14.

Methods of Instruction

- **Virtual learning** has a live instructor. Class sessions will include lectures, cooperative learning opportunities, whole group discussions, group activities, observations, and use of audio-visual materials.
- **Asynchronous distance learning** requires the participant to watch videos, complete reading assignments, and comment on classmate work within a specified time range.

Upcoming Courses

NYS SAC Credential Part 1* - (Spring)

Dates: January 12, 2024 - March 29, 2024

Time: Fridays, 9:30am - 12:30 pm

Instructor: Sara Rickan

Method of Instruction: Virtual-Live (via Zoom)

Cost: \$1,250 per semester. Individuals must take both semesters (Part 1 and Part 2)**

Registration CLOSING SOON

NYS SAC Credential Part 2* - (Spring)

Dates: January 8, 2024 - April 28, 2024

Instructor: Alysha Branch

Method of Instruction: Asynchronous Distance Learning (via Google Classroom)

Cost: \$940.00 per semester. Individuals must take both semesters (Part 1 and Part 2)**

Registration CLOSING SOON

**Classes (Parts 1 and 2) can be taken in either order (in a variety of formats), but not at the same time.*

*** Advisement, Assessment (Endorsement), books and required NYSNYS membership fees are not included.*

Advisement

Candidates must take the responsibility to secure, and pay as necessary, their own SAC Credential Advisor from the approved [advisor list](#).

Enrollment

Individuals enrolling in this course must be 18 years of age or older, have a high school diploma or GED, and must be currently working/volunteering in a NYS OCFS licensed/registered program.

Policies & Syllabus

View a complete listing of [virtual-live course](#) and [asynchronous distance learning](#) policies.

Scholarships

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, please visit www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu. You may also contact EIP at eip@albany.edu or 800-295-9616. If you have received an EIP, please digitally sign it and email the Network. *Note: There is a maximum award amount per year per person.*

[Register for Virtual Classes HERE](#)

[Register for Asynchronous Distance Learning Classes HERE](#)

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

Sign on Now to Support 2024-2025 Afterschool Budget Priorities

The New York State Network for Youth Success is calling on supporters of afterschool, summer, and expanded learning opportunities to sign onto the 2024-2025 Afterschool Budget Priorities.

As New York's budget season approaches, it is imperative that we make the case for creating a robust, sustainable afterschool system to best support New York's youth and families.

In anticipation of a new afterschool RFP grant, the FY 24-25 budget year presents a unique opportunity for New York to build on promising steps to reorganize afterschool; strengthen the afterschool system; and increase support for professional development.

The afterschool budget priorities:

- Invest \$219 million toward a new and improved afterschool program grant.
- Dedicate \$5 million of Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) funds towards school-age child care quality support through the NYS Network for Youth Success.
- Invest an additional \$3 million to expand the Educational Incentive Program (EIP)

To see the full FY 2024-2025 Afterschool Budget Priorities, [click here](#).

The deadline to sign on is Monday, December 18.

CLICK HERE TO SIGN ON

Want to be more involved in making the case for afterschool this budget season? [Register here](#) to join us for Afterschool Advocacy Day 2024 at the State Capitol.

Register Now: Power of 3:00 Afterschool Webinar Series

Do you want to learn how to engage in advocacy issues in a meaningful, effective way?

The New York State Network for Youth Success is pleased to announce the continuation of the Power of 3:00 Afterschool Advocacy Webinar Series. Learn about the policy landscape impacting afterschool programs in New York.

Join us on **January 10 at 12 PM** for our new session, Meeting with Decisionmakers: Becoming an Effective Advocate. This interactive, practical experience explores tactics, tips and strategies for meeting with decisionmakers. You'll learn what it takes to be a powerful afterschool advocate when speaking with legislators and their staff.

In this session, you will:

- Explore best practices for crafting and communicating your advocacy message.
- Understand effective tactics for meeting with legislators.
- Learn how to host a site visit with an elected official.
- Practice crafting your own advocacy message.

We highly recommend this session for those joining us for Afterschool Advocacy Day 2024. This session will prepare you for joining meetings with your legislators to make the case for afterschool.



[Register for the Webinar](#)

Interested in learning more about how to be an effective afterschool advocate? [Click here](#) to see the previous trainings in the series.

Deadline Friday: Million Girls Moonshot Mini Grants

The Million Girls Moonshot wants to engage one million girls in engineering practices. The Network for Youth Success will award 10 mini grants up to \$1,000 to programs who need support in order to engage girls and young women in engineering practices.

Mini-grants are meant to primarily serve girls but can also serve other youth. Programs that serve youth, including girls, can apply. There will be a short report required, showing how the funds were spent on engaging girls in engineering practices.

Who Should Apply: Any K-12 youth-serving program or organization that is interested in or currently offers engineering programming with girls can apply. Programs must serve girls in some capacity, but do not have to only serve girls. If you are unsure if you qualify, please email [Timothy Fowler](#).

Amount: Up to \$1,000 per program. These funds can be used for any expense related to the project. Funds must be spent by March 31, 2024.

Application Deadline: Friday, December 15, 2023, at 1 PM ET

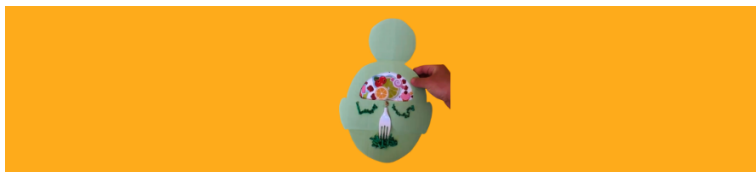
[Click here to apply.](#)

Mizzen by Mott

Supported by the Mott Foundation, Mizzen is available at no cost to afterschool professionals! Encourage partners to [download the Mizzen by Mott app](#) to access fun and engaging STEM activities.

Check out these fun activities:

Make a Spinning Selfie



In this activity, students will make a selfie (self-portrait) that spins!

This project was inspired by *The Girl Who Thought in Pictures: The Story of Dr. Temple Grandin*, written by Julia Finley Mosca and illustrated by Daniel Rieley. Dr. Grandin is an incredible scientist, animal rights advocate, and spokesperson on autism and neurodiversity.

Pyramid Toss

Step right up and unleash your competitive side! Youth test their skills by tossing poker chips at a pyramid grid. It's a thrilling challenge that combines precision, strategy and a dash of luck. A great ice breaker that incorporates SEL, this game is a guaranteed hit.

Mission Quite Possible

Get ready for some scientific magic. In this activity, youth dive into the world of science as they use magnets, screens, spoons, and a bit of creativity to separate a mixture. Grab your trusty tools and let the scientific method be your guide.

**PYRAMID TOSS****My Watershed**

In this activity, youth discover how streams, rain, and snowmelt shape our habitat and drinking water. Become a watershed champion, record weather, define watersheds, identify key materials, and create three positive actions.



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

Last chance to register for SAC Credential courses!

NYS SAC Credential Part 2* - Asynchronous Distance Learning (via Google Classroom)

Dates: January 8, 2024 - April 28, 2024

NYS SAC Credential Part 1* - Virtual- Live (via Zoom)

Dates: January 12, 2024 - March 29, 2024

**Classes (Parts 1 and 2) can be taken in either order (in a variety of formats), but not at the same time.*

[Register Today!](#)

Have Questions?

Email Erin@NetworkForYouthSuccess.Org

Note: There may be other virtual or face-to-face classes in your area. For a listing go [here](#).
Pricing and times will vary.

Training Opportunities Available for the 2023-2024 school year!

Supervision of Children and Youth in Afterschool Programs

Learn how to keep the children and youth in your program safe by implementing different supervision tips and tricks. Learn more about your role as a teacher and also how to create a safe environment that allows for safe and successful supervision.

Presenter: Alysha Branch or Sara Rickan

OCFS Area(s): 3, 4

Location: Virtual-Live, via Zoom

Date Available

Thursday, January 25, 2024

10:00am - 12:00pm

Encouraging Positive Behavior

Part of working with children also includes managing behaviors. This training will help participants identify common misbehaviors in after school programs and how the environment plays a role. Learn techniques to guide positive behaviors and turn misbehaviors into teachable moments for youth.

Presenter: Alysha Branch or Sara Rickan

OCFS Area(s): 1, 3

Location: Virtual-Live, via Zoom

Date Available

Thursday, February 29, 2024

10:00am - 12:00pm

Click here to register.

Jan. 10: Virtual Health and Safety for Directors!

This meets the 15-hour health and safety training requirement for all new directors*.

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 must bring a copy of the policies and procedures from their program.

When?

- *Wednesday, January 10*
- *Thursday, January 11*
- *Wednesday, January 17*
- *Thursday, January 18*
- *Wednesday, January 24*
- *Thursday, January 25*

Time: 6:30pm-9:30pm

Where: Zoom (*Registered participants will receive a Zoom link closer to the date.*)

Cost: \$325.00

Note: This is a six-day course. **Participants must attend all sessions.** This is an OCFS–approved virtual training.

Policies:

- No make-up classes will be provided.
- [Full list of event policies.](#)

Questions? Contact Erin via email at erin@networkforyouthsuccess.org

Two–Part Registration

1. [Begin Your Registration Here](#)

2. [Make Your Payment Here](#)

***You must be accepted to take the course and make your payment to enroll in the course.**

Registration is on a first come, first served basis.

**Directors of programs operating under an NYS OCFS SAC License.*

Apr. 17-20: SAVE THE DATE Empower Youth Success Conference 2024

Mark your calendars! You won't want to miss the Network's Empower Youth Success 2024 conference, which will tackle the issues that matter most to you and your organization.

1. The NYS Community Schools Resilience & Equity Conference (April 17 & 18)
2. 21st Century Community Learning Centers Conference (April 19)
3. School's Out, Make it Count (April 19 & 20)

We are excited to announce the conference partners for next year's Empower Youth Success Conference: SED, Finger Lakes Community Schools, Binghamton University, NYC Technical Assistance Resource Center (NYC TARC), and Change Impact.

Registration opens this winter but book your hotel now: Use our designated reservation link or contact the hotel directly at 518-272-1700 and use group code NYNYS.

Sponsor our annual conference

We're seeking sponsorships to make our annual conference possible and to support our work year-round. As a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, we rely on fundraising contributions to make our work possible.

Platinum Sponsor - \$1,300.00

Gain high-level exposure as a Platinum sponsor by having a presence throughout the conference! Be shown in sponsored videos and prominently featured in the venue and website.

Gold Sponsor - \$700.00

A *golden* opportunity to get recognition for your business by being advertised both digitally and at the event!

Silver Sponsor - \$375.00

You're in luck! The silver sponsorship is a great way to get your name out there at the event, while supporting NYSNYS.

A LA CARTE SPONSOR OFFERINGS

Opportunity to sponsor a la carte opportunities at a flat cost. Does not require sponsoring at platinum, gold, or silver level and can indeed be stand-alone.

- Room sponsorship: \$500 (per room)
- Lunch sponsorship: \$2,000 (per day)
- Coffee break sponsorship: \$1,000
- Awards ceremony: \$2,500

- Books for audience: \$3,500
- Relaxation station: \$3,000
- Resource table items: \$150
- Professional headshots: \$2,000
- Photobooth: \$2,000 (per day)
- Interactive display: \$500
- Art show: \$2,500
- Attendee Bags: \$5,000

VENDORS

See the [agenda](#) for a schedule of the event.

ONE-DAY VENDOR (4/19 OR 4/20)

Available: 10

For profit: \$300

Non-profit: \$150

TWO-DAY VENDOR (4/19 AND 4/20)

Available: 10

For profit: \$500

Non-profit: \$250

Purchase your sponsorship [HERE](#).

Feb. 1, 8, 15: Adult Learning Theory

We're offering a training workshop that is your opportunity to stop considering and start achieving.

The NYAECY Training and Technical Assistance Professional Credential (PD Specialist) formally recognizes the value and specialized knowledge necessary to provide professional development in New York State. This credential is perfect for individuals providing non-credit bearing in-person group professional development (such as the New York State School-Age Care Credential or Click2Science Trainings) on general early childhood and/or school-age content.

In this workshop, we will help you navigate the process of becoming a [T-TAP PD Specialist](#).

Over the course of three days, you will learn how to:

- Fill out your intent to apply form,
- Link your training to the NAEYC and NAA trainer competencies, and
- Design a training with adult learning theory in mind.

More Information on the T-TAP (Including Application Requirements)

<https://nyaecy.org/ttap-credential/>

Training Dates (Thursdays): February 1, 8, 15

This is a three-day training. Participants must attend all three days.

Time: 9:00am-12:30pm

Cost: \$375.00

[Click here](#) to register.

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

Other Events

Jan. 11: NYC Residents ONLY SAC Course Enrollment

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VIRTUAL CLASSES**

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(SACC) School-Age Child Care Credential

NYC Residents Only

(Unless Approved By Network)

This Two (2) Semester course is designed for individuals currently employed in SACC programs, center-based, or home-based childcare programs who serve children ages 5 to 13 years old.

NEW SCHEDULE OF VIRTUAL CLASSES

NYS School-Age Credential Preparatory Program (SACC) Cohort 10 Semester 1

Thursdays, January 11th, 2024 - April 4th, 2024

9:30 am - 12:30 pm

NYS School-Age Credential Preparatory Program (SACC) Cohort 9 - Semester 2

9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Wednesdays, January 10th, 2024 - April 3rd, 2024

Cost: \$1300 per Semester (2 Semester Course)



SACC PDP TRAINER
Diane Shirley

**Don't wait!
Enroll Now**



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**Classes are filling up!
Now is the time!**

VIRTUAL CLASSES

Each Semester is 12 Sessions - Sessions are from 9:30am-12:30pm

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ChildCareTrainings.com

212-491-6500

[Click here](#) for more information.

Jan. 12: Countdown to Engineers Week & Girl Day Planning Webinar (12pm)

We're fast approaching Engineers Week and Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day. Are you looking for inspiration, ideas, or advice to spice up your plans? Attend this free and informative webinar and get ideas you can use right away.

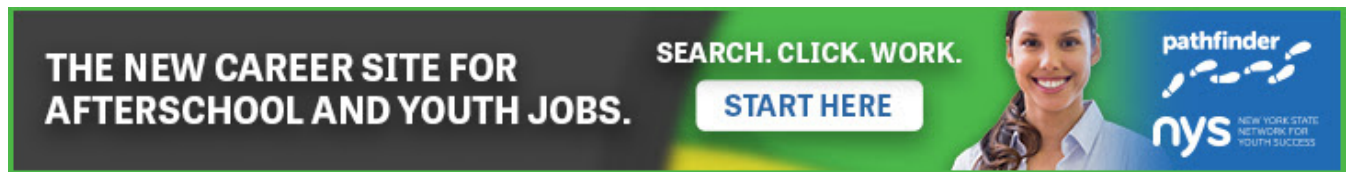


Check out these free planning guides available for download.

[Engineers Week Planning Guide](#)

[Introduce a Girl to Engineering Planning Guide](#)

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