

afterschool WORKS!



The Administration has proposed elimination of the 21st Century Community Learning Centers initiative—a dedicated funding stream supporting local afterschool and summer learning programs. Without federal support, 1.6 million students will lose their afterschool and summer programs and the impact will be devastating to families and communities.

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Increase funding for the 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) initiative to \$1.3 billion—an increase of \$100 million over FY2017.

To ensure continued support for 1.6 million children currently in 21st CCLC programs and to help meet demand by providing programming that would allow an additional 100,000 students across all 50 states to enroll in quality afterschool, before-school, and summer learning opportunities.

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Increase federal funding for the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) by \$1.1 billion for FY2018.

Roughly one-third of children served through the Child Care and Development Fund are school-aged and participate in afterschool and summer learning programs.

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Co-sponsor HR 2353, the Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act, to strengthen and improve career and technical education (Perkins/CTE).

This bipartisan legislation allows funding of school-community partnerships to help middle school and high school students gain the knowledge and skills they need for in-demand jobs, including those in the science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) fields.

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Join the Afterschool Caucus.

Stand with the 100+ Members of Congress who have committed to support the 30 million students who are enrolled or waiting for afterschool, before-school, and summer learning program opportunities.

For more information about joining the Senate Caucus, contact Gohar Sedighi (Gohar_Sedighi@franken.senate.gov) in Senator Franken's office or Karen McCarthy (Karen_McCarthy@murkowski.senate.gov) in Senator Murkowski's office. For the House Caucus, contact Dana Miller with Representative Lowey's office: (202) 225-6506.

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