

AFTERSCHOOL FOR ALL CHALLENGE
AFTERSCHOOL ALLIANCE AND NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES
MAY 13-14, 2008

WELCOME AND TRAINING - TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2008

*All meetings and events on Tuesday will take place at the Grand Hyatt Hotel
1000 H Street, NW, Washington, D.C.*

9:00 AM

REGISTRATION OPENS

INDEPENDENCE FOYER, INDEPENDENCE LEVEL

Registration will be open through the Welcome Reception. All participants need to check-in at the Registration tables to receive their packets, Hill appointment schedules and name tags.

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

AFTERSCHOOL FORUMS - MORNING SESSIONS

The *Afterschool for All Challenge* program will open with a series of workshops on topics of interest to afterschool advocates. Staff at the registration tables can provide you with more information on each of the sessions.

Box lunches will be available in the Independence Foyer for all Forum participants.

MEETING THE NEEDS OF OLDER YOUTH: LEVERAGING THE HOURS AFTER SCHOOL TO BOOST SUCCESS IN SCHOOL AND LIFE

LAFAYETTE & FARRAGUT SQUARE ROOMS, INDEPENDENCE LEVEL

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Facilitator: Erika Argersinger, *Afterschool Alliance*

Panelists: Cynthia Billings, *PlusTime NH*

Shannon Bishop, *Harris County Department of Education/CASE*

Pamela Spiliadis, *Associated Leaders of Urban Debate*

Graduates, *Baltimore Urban Debate League and IMPACT Coalition*

AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS: CONNECTING SCHOOLS, PARENTS AND COMMUNITIES

INDEPENDENCE F/G ROOMS, INDEPENDENCE LEVEL

Afterschool programs play a vital role in connecting schools, communities and families. This session will examine ways that afterschool programs are leveraging partnerships between schools and communities and effectively reaching out to parents and families to strengthen school, youth, community and family bonds to the benefit of all.

Facilitator: Yvonne Woods, *Afterschool Alliance*

Panelists: Lea Ann Johnson, *Lincoln Community Learning Center*
Rebecca McCallister-Naser, *Multi-Cultural Youth Center*
Maria Meredith, *National PTA*

MAKING THE CASE FOR AFTERSCHOOL: HOW AFTERSCHOOL SUPPORTS STUDENT SUCCESS IN EXPECTED AND UNEXPECTED WAYS

INDEPENDENCE H/I ROOMS, INDEPENDENCE LEVEL

Data shows that students who succeed outside of the classroom in afterschool enrichment activities go on to succeed inside the classroom. In addition, teachers who “come up” through afterschool are often better prepared, more engaged and ready to inspire students and help them succeed. This session will explore the various ways afterschool programs bolster student success and how afterschool programs provide a platform for teacher recruitment and retention.

Facilitator: Allison Beuker, *Afterschool Alliance*

Panelists: Lucy Friedman, *The After-School Corporation*
Harold Haizlip, *LA's BEST*

11:00 AM - 4:30 PM

YOUTH ADVOCACY FORUM

MCPHERSON SQUARE & FRANKLIN SQUARE ROOMS, INDEPENDENCE LEVEL

A session of training and fun activities designed especially for youth. After a “behind-the-scenes” introduction to Capitol Hill, we will explore just what it is that happens in afterschool programs and help empower youth to advocate on behalf of those programs. In the words of a few participants from last year, “I’ll tell my story, loud and clear. I’ll tell my story, so everyone can hear. I’ll tell my story with a smile on my face. I’ll tell Congress that I am on their case!”

Facilitators: Marie Coichy, *Afterschool Alliance*

Susan Rohwer, *Afterschool Alliance*

Barbara Seymour, *Afterschool Alliance*

Panelists: Will Baker, *Associated Leaders of Urban Debate*
Jose Cintron, *Schools and Community Organized to Promote Excellence*
Pamela Spiliadis, *Associated Leaders of Urban Debate*
Graduates, *Baltimore Urban Debate League and the IMPACT Coalition*

12:15 PM – 1:00 PM HILL VISITS LEADERS PREPARATION

LATROBE ROOM, CONSTITUTION LEVEL

All Hill Visits Group Leaders are required to attend this special orientation session in preparation for their meetings on Capitol Hill on Wednesday.

Facilitators: Ellen Fern, *Washington Partners, LLC*
Jen Rinehart, *Afterschool Alliance*

1:15 PM – 2:45 PM WELCOME PLENARY SESSION

INDEPENDENCE BALLROOM A, INDEPENDENCE LEVEL

MAKING THE GRADE: THE POWER OF AFTERSCHOOL TO PREPARE YOUTH FOR THE GLOBAL ECONOMY

Participants in the National City Afterschool Summit and the *Afterschool for All Challenge* join together for a welcome session highlighting the important role afterschool programs play in helping youth prepare for the workforce of tomorrow. City, school, community and corporate afterschool leaders will be featured.

Welcome: Jodi Grant, *Executive Director, Afterschool Alliance*
Audrey M. Hutchinson, *Director, Education and Afterschool, National League of Cities*

Remarks: Hon. Adrian Fenty, *Mayor, Washington, D.C.*

Moderator: Vivien Stewart, *Vice President for Education, The Asia Society*

Panelists: Hon. Adrian Fenty, *Mayor, Washington, D.C.*
Betsy Fulmer, *District Administrator for School Aged Child Care, Orange County Public Schools, Orlando, FL*
Kaya Henderson, *Deputy Chancellor, District of Columbia Public Schools, Washington, D.C.*
Jeanne Mullgrav, *Commissioner, Department of Youth and Community Development, New York, NY*
Tony Russo, *Director of Federal Legislative Affairs, T-Mobile USA*

2:45 PM – 3:00 PM

AFTERNOON REFRESHMENT BREAK

INDEPENDENCE FOYER, INDEPENDENCE LEVEL

3:00 PM – 4:30 PM

AFTERSCHOOL FORUMS – AFTERNOON SESSIONS

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Facilitator: Rivka Burstein-Stern, *Afterschool Alliance*

Moderator: Greg Roberts, *D.C. Children & Youth Investment Trust Corporation*

Panelists: Miguel Almodovar, *Department of Youth and Community Development, New York, NY*

Cynthia Billings, *PlusTime NH*

Shannon Bishop, *Harris County Department of Education/CASE*

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CITY-STATE AFTERSCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS

INDEPENDENCE A BALLROOM, INDEPENDENCE LEVEL

Many city leaders are becoming champions for afterschool because they understand the importance of investing in youth. Some cities are thinking broadly to create citywide systems for afterschool including work on quality, mapping and financing. How can cities leverage their power, leadership and resources to advance the efforts of the Statewide Afterschool Networks to impact state policies and funding for afterschool? How can the Networks provide training and expertise to help cities advance their local afterschool initiatives? Learn about how city and state partnerships have combined the power of their voice and influence to strengthen the afterschool landscape at the state and local levels.

Moderator: Bela P. Shah, *National League of Cities*

Panelists: Hon. Mike Fahey, *Mayor, Omaha, NE*

Hon. George Heartwell, *Mayor, Grand Rapids, MI*

Mary Sutton, *Michigan After School Partnership*

Kristin Williams, *Sherwood Foundation*

OPPORTUNITIES TO REACH ELECTED OFFICIALS AND CANDIDATES

INDEPENDENCE B/C ROOMS, INDEPENDENCE LEVEL

With policy makers and candidates talking about No Child Left Behind, high school reform, competitiveness and other issues, and the Presidential election just around the corner, 2008 offers a number of opportunities to raise the profile of afterschool. This session will feature current policy issues and developments related to afterschool and how some advocates are using these to engage elected officials and candidates.

Facilitator: Erika Argersinger, *Afterschool Alliance*

Panelists: Kacy Conley, *YMCA of Central Maryland*
Zelda Q. Waymer, *South Carolina Afterschool Alliance*

MAKING THE MOST OF SUMMER

INDEPENDENCE D/E ROOMS, INDEPENDENCE LEVEL

One hundred years of research show the effectiveness and value of summer programs. This session will provide you with the latest research on summer learning, information on policy and funding for summer programs and insight from successful summer efforts.

Facilitator: Ursula Helminski, *Afterschool Alliance*

Panelists: Crystal FitzSimons, *Food Research and Action Center*
Jeff Smink, *Center for Summer Learning*
Hon. Frank Willis, *Mayor, Florence, SC*

SUPPORTING HEALTH AND WELLNESS THROUGH AFTERSCHOOL

INDEPENDENCE F/G ROOMS, INDEPENDENCE LEVEL

Afterschool programs can play a critical role in addressing the health and wellness challenges facing our nation's children, including: obesity, lack of access to healthy food and little exposure to physical fitness. This session will explore the role that afterschool programs and local policy makers can play in raising healthy citizens.

Facilitator: Alice Gallin-Dwyer, *Afterschool Alliance*

Moderator: Barry Ford, *United States Tennis Association*

Panelists: Hon. Otis Johnson, *Mayor, Savannah, GA*
Daniel Hatcher, *Alliance for a Healthier Generation*
Normandie Nigh, *A World Fit for Kids*
Willis Thomas, *Washington Tennis & Education Foundation*

COSTS AND FINANCING FOR AFTERSCHOOL & SUMMER

INDEPENDENCE H/I ROOMS, INDEPENDENCE LEVEL

Given the wide variety of afterschool and summer programs throughout the country, determining the cost and identifying the various funding sources used to support programs has been a challenge for the field. This session will explore some of the latest research on costs and financing and offer plenty of opportunity for discussion about the research, next steps and more.

Facilitator: Jen Rinehart, *Afterschool Alliance*

Panelists: Sarah Cahill, *Rhode Island Afterschool Plus Alliance*

Susanne Sparks, *Center for Summer Learning*

Yvonne Woods, *Afterschool Alliance*

4:45 PM – 5:45 PM

HILLS VISITS BRIEFING SESSIONS

All participants taking part in Congressional appointments on Wednesday must attend a briefing session to review the issues and talking points for their meetings. Everyone will have an opportunity to role play and determine roles for team members during the meetings.

(Your Group Number is located on your name tag. Please refer to the list of Hill Visits Briefing Rooms in your Participant Packet for your group's room assignment.)

5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

WELCOME RECEPTION

HYATT ATRIUM & GRAND CAFE, LAGOON LEVEL

Before heading out to enjoy Washington's nightlife, take an opportunity to meet and connect with other afterschool supporters from around the country.

**Featured Performers: Sitar Arts Center Saints Band
Student Artwork: Sitar Arts Center and
Life Pieces to Masterpieces**

CAPITOL HILL DAY – WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 2008

7:30 AM

BUSES DEPART FOR CAPITOL HILL

HOTEL 10TH STREET ENTRANCE, LOBBY LEVEL

Buses will take participants from the Grand Hyatt Hotel directly to Capitol Hill for the day's activities. If you are checking out of the hotel in the morning, please do so before boarding the bus and be sure to check your luggage with the bellman. Due to enhanced security, you will not be able to bring luggage with you to Capitol Hill.

8:00 AM – 9:30 AM

BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

DIRKSEN SENATE OFFICE BUILDING, ROOM DG-50

CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF 21ST CENTURY COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTERS

Participants will attend a celebratory breakfast in the Dirksen Senate Office Building on Capitol Hill, at which afterschool's champions will be honored for their commitment and leadership.

Welcome: Jodi Grant, *Executive Director, Afterschool Alliance*

Clifford M. Johnson, *Executive Director, Institute for Youth, Education, and Families, National League of Cities*

Hon. David Cicilline, *Mayor, Providence, RI; Board Member, Afterschool Alliance*

★Special Recognition★

Congressional Champions

Presented by Mayor David Cicilline

State Champions

Acceptance Remarks by Mayor Gavin Newsom, San Francisco

MetLife Afterschool Innovator Awards

*Presented by Tyler Florence,
Celebrity Chef and Afterschool Alliance Board Member*

Remarks: Jaida Morgan, *Garfield Community Center, Seattle, WA*
Brandon Brown, *Juvenile Assistance Corporation, Milwaukie, OR*
Introduced by Glenn Zaccara, T-Mobile USA

Jamia Gary, *John Senders Boys and Girls Club, Lakeland, FL*
Introduced by Reinaldo Llano, Bright House Networks

Celebration: Terry Peterson, *Board Chair, Afterschool Alliance*

Bela Shah, *Senior Program Associate, Institute for Youth, Education, and Families, National League of Cities*

Closing: Jodi Grant, *Executive Director, Afterschool Alliance*

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM SMALL GROUP CONGRESSIONAL MEETINGS

HOUSE AND SENATE OFFICE BUILDINGS

Small group meetings have been arranged with members of Congress and/or their staff. Please check the Hill Visits schedule you received at registration for your list of appointments and the exact time and location of each meeting. If your plans have changed and you cannot attend all of your meetings, please inform the staff at the Hill Visits Desk outside the “Breakfast of Champions.”

LUNCH BREAK

Groups should stop for lunch in between their appointments at one of the public cafeterias located in the House and Senate Office Buildings.

❖ **House Cafeterias:**

Longworth House Office Building, *Basement Level*
Rayburn House Office Building, *Basement Level*

❖ **Senate Cafeteria:**

Dirksen Senate Office Building, *Basement Level*

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM AFTERSCHOOL SNACK

Cannon House Office Building, Room 121

Participants are invited to stop by for a quick snack and an opportunity to share experiences with other afterschool supporters before leaving Capitol Hill.

QUESTIONS DURING THE DAY?

Staff will be available to answer questions from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. in the Rayburn House Office Building, Room B318. Feel free to stop by for a quick break or to drop off your Feedback Forms. You can also call Kristyn McLeod at (202) 730-4165 throughout the day with any questions about your Congressional appointments.

Note that all participants are responsible for their own travel from Capitol Hill back to the hotel or airport.