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Senate Afterschool Caucus to Host ‘Back to Afterschool’ Briefing on Tuesday

Event Will Feature Branson, Missouri Mayor; New York Life Foundation President; Experts from Marshfield, Wisconsin and Arlee, Montana, Among Others

A mayor, a retired brigadier general, a globally recognized Fortune 100 employer, a community health clinic director and an elementary school principal will be among the speakers at a congressional briefing Tuesday that is focused on the power of afterschool and summer learning programs to help children and youth succeed in school and in life. A panel of experts in community, the military and business sectors will discuss why they value afterschool and summer learning programs and what these programs offer children, families, businesses, governments and communities.

Afterschool Alliance Executive Director Jodi Grant will moderate the briefing, which will be at:
Noon on Tuesday, September 12
485 Senate Russell Office Building, Washington, D.C.

With

Mayor Karen Best, Branson, Missouri

Brigadier General (Ret.) Dave McGinnis, Mission: Readiness

Heather Nesle, President, New York Life Foundation

Randy Neve, Center for Community Outreach, Marshfield Clinic Health Systems, WI

Anne Tanner, Principal/Teacher, Arlee Elementary, Flathead Indian Reservation, Arlee, MT

Both the House and Senate are now working on the federal FY2018 budget. President Trump proposed eliminating funding for 21st Century Community Learning Centers, the chief federal funding stream for afterschool and summer learning programs.

Tuesday’s briefing is hosted by Afterschool Caucus Co-Chairs Senators Al Franken (D-MN) and Lisa Murkowski (R-AK). It is open to media and will include lunch.

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The Afterschool Alliance is a nonprofit public awareness and advocacy organization working to ensure that all children and youth have access to quality afterschool programs. More information is available at www.afterschoolalliance.org.