

Afterschool in Pennsylvania

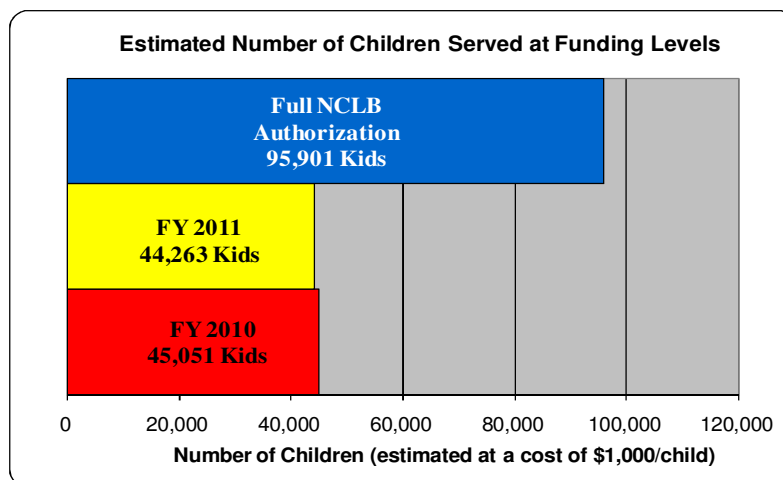
The need and demand for afterschool programs among the 2,083,250 school-age children in Pennsylvania:

- **26% (552,061)** of Pennsylvania’s K-12 children are responsible for taking care of themselves after school.
- **9% (191,659)** of Pennsylvania’s K-12 children participate in afterschool programs.
- **32% (605,309)** of all children not in afterschool would be likely to participate if an afterschool program were available in their community. [Afterschool Alliance, *America After 3 PM*, 2009]

Current funding for 21st Century Community Learning Centers and the Child Care and Development Fund in Pennsylvania:

In Pennsylvania, 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC), the only federal program dedicated to afterschool, provides funds for afterschool programs that serve primarily Title I students. Eligible applicants include schools, community-based organizations and public, private or faith-based organizations. A total of 135 grantees serve 432 afterschool centers in Pennsylvania. In its last recorded competition, the 21st CCLC program awarded 63 grants out of 151 applicants in Pennsylvania.

[U.S. Department of Education, 2010]



21 st CCLC Distribution of Funds in Pennsylvania:	
Full NCLB Authorization:	\$95,900,976
FY 12 (President’s Proposed):	\$48,570,622 (48,571 Kids)
FY 11:	\$44,262,750
FY 10:	\$45,050,841

The Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) provides vouchers or subsidies for low-income parents to pay for childcare, including pre-school, before-school, afterschool and summer care for school-age children (ages 5-12). In 2011 CCDF received a total of \$5.15 billion, and for FY12, President Obama proposed an additional \$1.3 billion national increase to CCDF, which will help improve the availability of school-age care across the country. However, some current Congressional proposals recommend cuts to CCDF, so even with the President’s proposed increase, further support for this federal funding source will be necessary to promote greater access to quality afterschool programs.

Total FY 2010 CCDF funds in Pennsylvania	Federal Share	Percentage of children receiving subsidies who are school-age
\$278,650,932	\$180,793,982	46.4%

[Child Care Bureau, 2010, Afterschool Investments Project, 2009]

What leaders in Pennsylvania are saying about afterschool:

“I established [additional funding] for extended daily hours and summer programs so that working parents can have high quality options for their children in the afterschool hours and summer. Children should not suffer low quality care because their parents have to work.”

- Bob Casey, U.S. Senate