

Afterschool in Texas

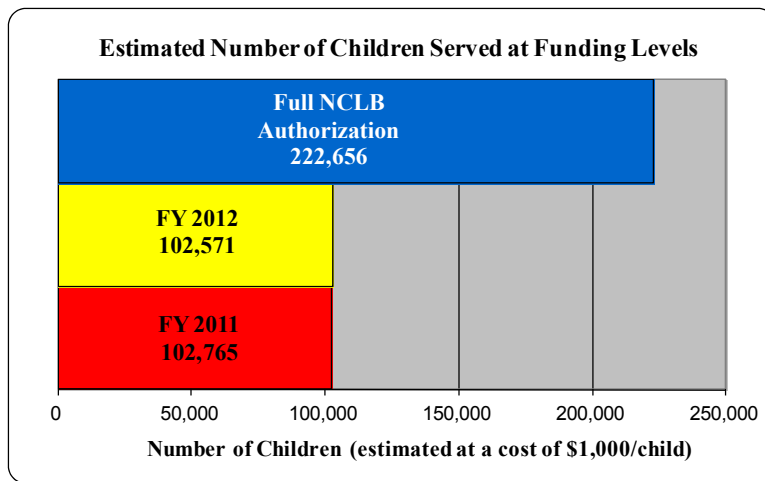
The need and demand for afterschool programs among the 4,526,595 school-age children in Texas:

- **26% (1,167,862)** of Texas’s K-12 children are responsible for taking care of themselves after school.
- **15% (678,989)** of Texas’s K-12 children participate in afterschool programs.
- **51% (1,692,279)** 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 federal funding for afterschool in Texas:

In Texas, 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 119 grantees serve 727 afterschool centers in Texas. In its last recorded competition, the 21st CCLC program awarded 16 grants out of 16 applicants in Texas.

[U.S. Department of Education, 2011]



21 st CCLC Distribution of Funds in Texas:	
Full NCLB Authorization:	\$222,656,133
FY13: (Requested Increase)	\$111,477,058 (111,477 Kids)
FY12: (Also Obama’s FY13 Proposal)	\$102,570,813
FY11:	\$102,765,038

As the chart above illustrates, FY2012 funding allows 102,766 students to participate in 21st CCLC programs in Texas. However, that is only a small fraction of the 2,082,234 kids in Texas who are eligible to participate in a 21st CCLC program if more funding were available.

The Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) provides vouchers or subsidies for low-income parents to pay for child care, including pre-school, before-school, afterschool and summer care for school-age children (ages 5-12). In 2012 CCDF received a total of \$5.21 billion, and for FY13, President Obama proposed an additional \$825 million national increase to CCDF, which will help to 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 FY11 CCDF funds in Texas	Federal Share	Percentage of children receiving subsidies who are school-age
\$601,274,625	\$461,079,889	30%

[Child Care Bureau, 2011, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 2010]

What leaders in are saying about afterschool in Texas:

“Every child deserves a chance to succeed. As a former board member of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Dallas, I have seen first-hand the difference after-school and outreach programs can make in the life of an at-risk child.”

- Kay Bailey Hutchison, U.S. Senate