FEEDING AMERICA'S CHILDREN AFTERSCHOOL

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MEET THE PRESENTERS

- Erik Peterson, Afterschool Alliance
- Signe Anderson, FRAC
- Lynn Sobolov, Excel Beyond the Bell, Montgomery County Collaboration Council
- Veneice Smith-McCain, Boston Public Schools
- Jeff Rowe, E S Foods



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AFTERSCHOOL MEAL BASICS

AT-RISK AFTERSCHOOL MEALS PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

• Programs must:

- Offer educational and enrichment activities
- Located in an area where at least half of the students in the local elementary, middle or high school are eligible for free or reduced price school meals
- Meet state and local health and safety standards or be licensed for child care if required by state or local law





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THE BASICS

- Schools, local government agencies, private non-profits can host
- Afterschool, on weekends, and during school holidays
- Can serve meals and snacks, if program is long enough
- Available through the Child and Adult Care Food Program







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FEEDBACK FROM AFTERSCHOOL MEAL SURVEY

- 80% served afterschool snacks, about 30% serve meals
- Milk, Fruit and Crackers were three most popular items served. Over 50% self-prepare
- 10.9% of programs' budgets going towards providing snacks/meals
- Cost and food storage were 2 biggest barriers
- 54% of programs had not heard of the At-Risk Afterschool Meal Program



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What resources are available to assist local programs interested in serving afterschool meals?

FOOD RESEARCH & ACTION CENTER



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THE ACTION IN FRAC

- Promote federal nutrition programs
- Conduct research and policy analysis
- Serve as a clearinghouse
- Provide technical assistance
- Work with Congress





RESOURCES



- FRAC website: <u>www.frac.org</u> Summer & Afterschool Nutrition Programs
- Meals Matter Monthly Call Series
- Simplified Summer Toolkit
- Afterschool Meals Guide
- Standards of Excellence



Why do you offer afterschool meals during the programs you run in collaboration with Montgomery Public Schools?

EXCEL BEYOND THE BELL



Lynn Sobolov

Program Manager, Excel Beyond the Bell Montgomery County Collaboration Council Maryland



BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS

Partner	Contributions
Collaboration Council	 Excel Beyond the Bell Program Manager Direct services funding/contracting Program quality building with emphasis on professional development (AYD, Cultural Competency, YPQI Methods) and coaching Evaluation approach
Department of Recreation	 Site Coordinators & After School Activities Liaisons (ASLs) Funding for recreation, health and wellness programs Integrated schedule of programs & marketing Coordination of enrollment and data collection
Montgomery County Public Schools	 Principal & other administrators' active involvement ASL selection/ongoing interaction Publicizing programs; referrals of vulnerable youth Activity buses, school space and At Risk Supper Program Student school performance data



PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- Three sessions of 9-10 weeks each –October 1st start date
- Programs operate Monday through Thursday at Argyle, Clemente and Loiederman; 2 days per week at Forest Oak and Neelsville
- Programs begin at end of school day, ending at 5:15 pm
- Programs include STEM, career exploration, leadership and civic engagement, creative arts, recreation and health and wellness.
- Students in any afterschool activity with academic enrichment receive supper (At-Risk Supper Program via MCPS)
- Activity buses run at 5:15; extracurricular participants can stay with homework help provided





YEAR 2 WINS

Programs:

- 57 total programs scheduled for 1^{st} 10-week session
- 831 students have enrolled to date, with many programs having wait lists for second session
- 33,000 suppers were served in the first year of the program
- NACO award for EBB

<u>Partnerships:</u>

- Cross agency team in place along with school-based teams
- High school internship program implemented at all 5 schools
- Additional program volunteers from Montgomery College
- Activities provided by volunteers from So What Else at no cost to the program
- 2 IBM grants awarded will include partnership with State Attorney and Germantown Police



NEED IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MD

Overall 41.5% or nearly 61,000 Montgomery County Public Schools students have participated in the Free and Reduced Meals program (FARM).



NEED IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MD

Month/Year	Number of Meals Served at EBB sites
October 2010	2,776*
October 2011	6,670
October 2012	8,398

*730 suppers, 2,046 snacks, prior to Excel Beyond the Bell

A total of 33,000 after school meals were served at 1 elementary school and 3 middle schools in school year 2011/2012

Why are you moving from afterschool snacks to afterschool meals?

BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS



Boston Public Schools

Veneice Smith-McCain

How has E S Foods Stepped forward to address childhood hunger in out of school settings?

E S Foods



Jeff Rowe Executive Director

SUPPORTING AFTERSCHOOL MEALS

- Sponsorship of outreach efforts by Afterschool Alliance
- National surveys to identify potential sponsors



• Messaging in School Nutrition magazine

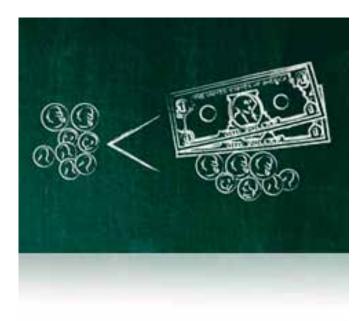


SUPPORTING AFTERSCHOOL MEALS



Product solutions to make serving a meal as simple as serving a snack

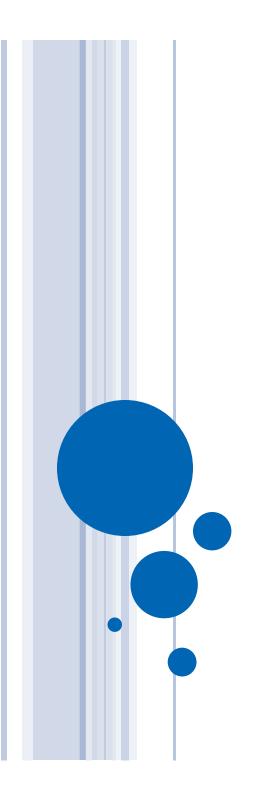
SUPPORTING AFTERSCHOOL MEALS



For every 100 children participating, sponsors generate over \$50,000 in program funding and support ([\$2.86 per meal + \$0.2275 commodity or cash in lieu] * 170 serving days = \$52,487.50)



QUESTIONS & ANSWERS



THANK YOU!

Thank you for joining today's webinar.

If you have additional questions, please email <u>asteines@afterschoolalliance.org</u>