

About the Summer Activity Guides

Summers are for fun and engaged learning. In 2020 as the impact of the pandemic is widely felt, summer opportunities will be different for young people, families, and afterschool and summer program staff. The Summer Activity Guides were developed to help engage youth with supportive adults in a range of places.

The activities and resources in the Summer Activity Guides are intentionally designed to support youth-serving summer programs in driving consistent engagement and providing ongoing opportunities for youth skill-building and emotional well-being. In addition to the activities for youth, supplemental materials will be available to support professional development and enhance family engagement.

The Guides include 150 original activities and challenges organized by four different age groups (5-9) (10-12) (13-15) (16-18). The activities are adaptable for in-person and virtual instruction, or a hybrid of both, as well as sent as take-home packets.

All activities should be safely executed and aligned with state and local health guidelines.



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Summer Programming Feedback: Sample Questions for Teens

Instructions for Afterschool Programs:

Below are sample questions you can use to assess youth's participation and satisfaction with your summer programming. The survey is intentionally brief to give you a quick snapshot, and to identify targeted opportunities for improvement that you can implement during the summer. Programs should tailor these questions to their specific context, and add or remove questions as necessary. These questions are not intended to replace existing monitoring and evaluation systems that you may already have in place.

We want you to have the best summer ever! We appreciate your opinions, and we will use your feedback to improve our summer program.

- a. Yes
- b. No
- 2. If yes, how often are you participating in our summer programming? (Circle one)
 - a. 1-2 days per week
 - b. 3-4 days per week
 - c. 5 days per week
- 3. What do you like best about the program and activities?
- 4. What do you wish you could change about the program and activities?
- 5. If you are **not** participating, select the reason(s) you are not participating. (Select all that apply)
 - a. I do not have internet access to use for virtual programming
 - b. I do not have a computer or other device to use for virtual programming
 - c. I do not have access to materials or supplies to complete the activities
 - d. I do not have reliable transportation to attend the program
 - e. I do not have time to participate
 - f. I am not interested/There are other things I'd rather do
 - g. I planned to participate, but forgot or was busy with other activities
 - h. I do not have the information I need to participate (e.g. when or how the program works)
 - i. Other _____

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6.	If you are not participating, are there specific things if provided that would help you to
	participate (e.g., transportation, internet access, or something else)?

7. Is there anything else you would like us to know about you and/or the summer program?

The 50 State Afterschool Network



The Summer Activity Guide has been developed for the 50 State Afterschool Network with leadership from the Georgia Statewide Afterschool Network to engage and support children and youth nationwide.

In each state, the afterschool network is broadening opportunities for youth. Seeking equitable outcomes for underserved children to succeed in school and future jobs, a statewide afterschool network brings together cross-sector leaders with a common vision and coordinated strategy to advance quality afterschool and summer learning programs

Alabama Afterschool Community Network

Alaska Afterschool Network

Arizona Center for Afterschool Excellence

Arkansas Out of School Network

California AfterSchool Network

Colorado Afterschool Partnership

Connecticut After School Network

Delaware Afterschool Network

Florida Afterschool Network

Georgia Statewide Afterschool Network

Hawai'i Afterschool Alliance

Idaho Afterschool Network

Afterschool for Children and Teens Now (ACT

Now) Coalition (IL)

Indiana Afterschool Network

Iowa Afterschool Alliance

Kansas Enrichment Network

Kentucky Out-of-School Alliance

Louisiana Center for Afterschool Learning

Maine Afterschool Network

Maryland Out of School Time Network

Massachusetts Afterschool Partnership

Michigan After-School Partnership

Ignite Afterschool (MN)

Missouri AfterSchool Network

Mississippi Statewide Afterschool Network

Montana Afterschool Alliance

Beyond School Bells (NE)

Nevada Afterschool Network

New Hampshire Afterschool Network

New Jersey School- Age Care Coalition

NMOST (New Mexico Out of School Time)

Network

New York State Network for Youth Success

North Carolina Center for Afterschool

Programs

North Dakota Afterschool Network

Ohio Afterschool Network

Oklahoma Partnership for Expanded Learning

Opportunities

OregonASK

Pennsylvania Statewide Afterschool/Youth

Development Network

Rhode Island Afterschool Network

South Carolina Afterschool Alliance

South Dakota Afterschool Network

Tennessee Afterschool Network

Texas Partnership for Out of School Time

Utah Afterschool Network

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