

summer activity guide

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QUICK
GUIDE



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 Families and Caregivers

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.

Thank you for taking the time to fill out this quick survey. We will use your input to improve our summer programming!

PARTICIPATION

1. Is your child participating in our summer programming? (Circle one)
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
2. If yes, how often is your child 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. If your child is **not** participating, select the reason(s) your child is not participating. (Select all that apply)
 - a. We do not have internet access to use for virtual programming
 - b. We do not have a computer or other device to use for virtual programming
 - c. We do not have access to materials and supplies to complete the activities
 - d. We do not have reliable transportation to attend the program
 - e. My child does not have time to participate
 - f. My child is not interested/does not want to participate
 - g. My child planned to participate, but forgot or was busy with other activities
 - h. We do not have the information we need to participate (e.g. when/how the program works)
 - i. Other _____
4. If your child is **not** participating, are there specific things if provided that would help them to participate (e.g., transportation, internet access, or something else)?

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SATISFACTION

Instructions: Parents and caregivers of younger children should help their child answer the questions below.

5. What does your child like best about the program and activities?
6. What does your child dislike about the program and activities?
7. Is there anything else you would like us to know about your child 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
Vermont Afterschool, Inc.
Virginia Partnership for Out-of-School Time
Washington Expanded Learning Opportunities Network
West Virginia Statewide Afterschool Network
Wisconsin Afterschool Network
Wyoming Afterschool Alliance