

Why Afterschool Makes “¢ents” for Georgia

Afterschool and summer learning programs across Georgia are unique, safe spaces that serve more than 280,000 of Georgia's young people providing a wide range of benefits backed by research that support their physical, academic, and social-emotional well-being.

GEORGIA'S AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS:

IMPROVE ACADEMIC OUTCOMES

Afterschool has been shown to increase test scores, improve grades, lower retention rates, and increase school day attendance.



DECREASE JUVENILE CRIME

With juvenile crime peaking during the hours of 3 to 7 PM, afterschool programs provide safe havens for Georgia's youth and relationships with caring adults.



REDUCE DRUG & ALCOHOL DEPENDENCE

Afterschool and summer learning programs can cut the risk of addiction to drugs and alcohol in half.



SUPPORT WORKING FAMILIES

Afterschool and summer learning programs help parents and caregivers maintain stable employment and give them peace of mind.



PROMOTE HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

Afterschool programs reduce obesity by providing access to nutritious foods, keeping kids physically active, and promoting healthy habits.



CREATE THE WORKFORCE OF TOMORROW

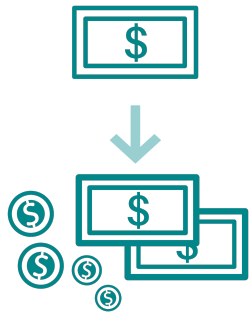
Afterschool and summer learning programs provide youth with hands-on, project-based learning and prepare them for the 21st Century workforce.



Learn more about how
afterschool benefits Georgia at
www.afterschoolga.org/roi



Every **\$1** invested in Georgia's afterschool and summer learning programs generates a **return of \$2.64** in benefits to taxpayers.



IF GEORGIA WAS TO INVEST...



\$25 MILLION

to increase access to high quality afterschool and summer learning programs for Georgia's youth.

Another

\$4,225,000

would be leveraged in additional funds from community partners and businesses



To provide a total of

45,409 YOUTH

with high-quality programming that puts them on track for success in college, career, and life

LEADS TO

\$2 MILLION

for reducing drug and alcohol dependence

+ \$3 MILLION

for reducing grade retention

+ \$18 MILLION

for reducing juvenile crime

+ \$131 MILLION

from increased tax payments, reduced reliance on welfare systems, and reduced criminal justice costs over the years due to a reduction in crime and dropout rates



A Total of

\$154 MILLION

in benefits to Georgia taxpayers for increasing access to high quality afterschool and summer learning programs.