



**WELCOME!**

**American Rescue Plan Act & COVID-19 Vaccines**

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# Housekeeping: Utilizing Zoom



- Everyone is currently in listen only mode, but we want to hear from you! Throughout the webinar, please:
  - “Raise your hand” to comment and respond to questions
  - Use the chat box
  - Respond to polls to keep GSAN informed and help us to better support you and your program

# Agenda



- Hearing from You: *What services are you providing?*
- Federal Updates
- State Updates
- Hearing from You: *How can GSAN better support you?*

**Who is here?**

**And, how are you doing?**

# GSAN's COVID-19 Resources Webpage



## **Check out our COVID-19 webpage**

Looking for policy updates, professional development opportunities, and resources? We've got you covered!

Continue to check back for updates at:

<http://www.afterschoolga.org/resources/covid19/>

# COVID-19 Related Updates & Resources



- Georgia Department of Public Health COVID-19 Daily Status Report
- CDC Guidance for Schools and Childcare Programs
- Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency
- Georgia Department of Labor COVID-19 Information
- Georgia's COVID-19 Hotline: **(844) 442-2681**
- Georgia Crisis and Access Line: **1-800-715-4225**

# Federal Updates



The American Rescue Plan provides funds that can be used to support young people during out-of-school time.

- ESSER Funds – \$4.25 billion - 90% goes directly to school districts; 10% stays at GaDOE
- State level (SEAs) funds available:
  - \$42 million set-aside for summer enrichment
  - \$42 million set-aside for afterschool programs
  - 5%, approximately \$212 million, for learning recovery (afterschool/summer/ELT)
- District level funds - 20% set aside provided to LEAs for learning recovery strategies, including afterschool and summer enrichment

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- \$1.5 billion for child care, which can include school-age care, which will flow to state child care agencies
  - Expanded Child Care Assistance – \$605 million (*estimated*)
  - Child Care Stabilization Funds – \$968 million (*estimated*)
  - Can be used for school age child care



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- \$1 billion for Corporation for National and Community Service through AmeriCorps for AmeriCorps positions to help address learning recovery and other purposes
- \$350 billion for state and local governments that can be used in part for child care and other purposes

# GSAN's Advocacy and Education Tools



- Planning for Impactful Summer Learning
- Supporting Student Learning with ESSER Funding
- Holistic Ways ESSER Funds Can Combat Learning Loss
- Outreach to Local Education Leaders ESSER FUNDING
  - Template letter
  - Talking points

GSAN 2021 Summer Learning Plans Survey

# Direct Payments & Credits



- Direct payments of \$1,400 for individuals making up to \$75,000, and couples making up to \$150,000.
- Temporarily expands the Child Tax Credit, increasing the amount to \$3,000 for children ages 6 to 17, and \$3,600 for children under age 6. Calculate yours [here](#).
- Increases the Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit, for those who paid expenses for care of a child/dependent so that they can work or look for work, from a maximum of \$1,050 for one child to \$4,000; and from \$2,100 for two or more children to \$8,000.

# Unemployment



- Maintains the federal supplement of \$300 per week to unemployment insurance benefits and extends it through September 6, 2021.
- Makes the first \$10,200 in unemployment insurance received in 2020 non-taxable for households with incomes under \$150,000.

# Small Business



- \$7.25 billion for the Paycheck Protection Program forgivable loans and expands eligibility to more non-profits (larger non-profits and includes those that engage in advocacy and limited lobbying)
- \$15 billion for targeted Economic Injury Disaster Loan advance payments, which are available to businesses in low-income communities that have suffered an economic loss of more than 30%

Apply for loans with the SBA [here](#).

# State Updates



DECAL licensed and exempt programs educators and staff eligible for vaccines starting March 8, 2021 – afterschool and childcare professionals, this includes YOU!

- [Georgia Department of Public Health Vaccine Website](#)
- [Georgia Mass Vaccination Registration Website](#)

# Additional COVID-19 Resources



- [CDC: Key Things to Know About COVID-19 Vaccines](#)
- [CDC: Essential Workers COVID-19 Vaccine Toolkit](#)
- [CDC: Updated Guidance for Operating Child Care Programs during COVID-19](#)
- [CDC: Toolkit for Child Care Programs](#)
- [ACA: Field Guide New COVID-19 Vaccine Chapter](#)
- **Child Care Aware of America: [Learn how COVID-19 Vaccines can impact the early child care and education field](#) March 18, 8:00 pm.**

# Reminder: Session Almost Over



Sign up [here](#) if you want to contact your legislator.



# Get Ready for Summer Learning with GSAN On-Demand Webinars!



- Tools and Tips for Effective Virtual Learning and Engagement (On-Demand)
- Conducting Effective Virtual Staff Meetings and Trainings (On-Demand)
- Stress Management for Youth Development Professionals: Caring for the OST Community During COVID-19 (On-Demand)
- Maintaining the Physical and Behavioral Health of Children – Hear from Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta Experts (On-Demand)

# Get Ready for Summer Learning – Activities at Your Fingertips

- Getting to Know the New Summer Activity Guide
- Keeping Youth Engaged this Summer
- GSAN Lunch & Learn: Mizzen by Mott - Activities at Your Fingertips



The graphic is a dark red rectangle with white text and icons. At the top center, the title "Summer Activity Guide" is written in a large, bold, white sans-serif font. Below the title, on the left side, is a circular illustration of a family of four (two adults and two children) sitting around a computer monitor. To the right of this illustration is a bulleted list of features. On both the left and right sides of the central text, there are vertical columns of six white icons each: a leaf, a protractor, a laptop, a calculator, a globe, and a backpack. At the bottom of the graphic, there is a white banner containing the download link, the GSAN logo, and the 50 State Afterschool Network logo.

## Summer Activity Guide

- 150 Activities & Challenges
- Materials for Professional Development
- Resources for Enhancing Family Engagement
- And More!

Download Today at: [www.summeractivityguide.org](http://www.summeractivityguide.org)

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# Mizzen by Mott

Mizzen by Mott is a new app that helps afterschool programs support kids — wherever they are!

Get hands-on activities that foster well-being and learning in arts, STEM, storytelling, music, yoga and youth voice.

**Supported by the Mott Foundation, Mizzen is free to download from your favorite app store.**

[www.mizzenapp.org/meet-mizzen-by-mott/georgia](http://www.mizzenapp.org/meet-mizzen-by-mott/georgia)



# Upcoming Virtual Professional Development



- \$122 Billion for Education in American Rescue Plan: What it means for OST programs March 18<sup>th</sup> at 1pm, National Summer Learning Association
- Million Girls Moonshot Webinars: Role Models and Mentors Drive Equity and Inclusion
  - PART I: Incorporating STEM Role models into afterschool: Let's get started!  
Recording and Sci Girls Role Model Video Link
  - PART II: Incorporating STEM role models into afterschool: Let's get started!  
March 23rd, 1:00 - 2:00 pm PST / 4:00pm - 5:00pm EST
- Being a Resilient Leader **March 23, 1 – 3 pm Cost: \$10**

## WHAT DO KIDS NEED THIS SUMMER?

- ✔ Enriching academics
- ✔ Engaging social activities
- ✔ Caring mentors
- ✔ Healthy meals
- ✔ Physical activity

**This is Summer Learning**





# Innovating to meet students' needs

- ✔ Social
- ✔ Emotional
- ✔ Academic

**This is Summer Learning**  
**ThisIsAfterschool.org**





Proven to help  
students make gains  
in math and reading.

**This is Summer Learning**  
Supporting students' recovery.





THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC HAS COST KIDS:

- Learning loss
- Anxiety and stress
- Social isolation

**Summer Learning**

**can change that.**

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# Questions?



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