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Let's celebrate how quality #afterschool programs are making a difference for Georgia's youth! Mark your calendars for Oct. 22 and join #GaLightsOn: [#LightsOnAfterschool](#) [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

Did you know? For every child enrolled in an afterschool program in Georgia, four more are waiting to get in. [#GALightsOn](#) [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

Georgia's 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) provide students with the learning equivalent of at least 45 additional school days each year! [#LightsOnAfterschool](#) [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

From tutoring and literacy to positive youth development, Out of School Services (OSS) helps youth ages 4–18 build confidence and academic skills to prepare them for successful futures! [#OutOfSchoolServices](#) [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

BOOST funds 99 programs operating 594 afterschool sites for 50,000+ kids and 471 summer sites for 56,000+ youth! [#LightsOnAfterschool](#) [#BOOSTGeorgia](#) [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

100% of Georgia parents are satisfied with their child's afterschool program! [#GaLightsOn](#) [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

9 in 10 Georgia parents agree that all young people deserve access to quality afterschool and summer programs. [#GaLightsOn](#) [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

Nearly 9 in 10 Georgia parents favor public funding for afterschool opportunities. [#GaLightsOn](#)

3 out of 4 Nobel Prize winning scientists say their passion for science was sparked in an environment outside of school [#GaLightsOn](#) [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

[Over 92%](#) of students in [#STEM](#) afterschool programs report increased interest in science careers and stronger skills like perseverance and critical thinking. Keep the [#LightsOnAfterschool](#) on 10/22! [#LightsOnAfterschool](#) [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

Afterschool programs reduce drug & alcohol dependence, provide youth with a safe place to go, and relationships with caring adults. [#ThisIsAfterschool](#) [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

More time spent in afterschool programs is associated with better work habits, improved academic performance, gains in self-efficacy, improved GPA, and fewer school absences. [#ThisIsAfterschool](#) [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

Thousands of working families across Georgia depend on #afterschool programs to keep kids' safe and engaged every day. [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

How has an afterschool program impacted you or a loved one's life? Share your story and help celebrate afterschool's impact in your community with #GaLightsOn. [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

Afterschool programs help children develop social-emotional, physical, and academic skills. That's why I support #GaLightsOn. [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

As the single federal funding stream dedicated exclusively to before-school, afterschool, and summer learning, 21st CCLC plays a vital role in providing students with safe, supportive, and engaging environments beyond the traditional classroom. #21stCCLC [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

The @GADFCS Out of School Services Program supports 32,676 youth by combining local funding and partnerships to strengthen #afterschool and youth development programs. #AfterschoolWorks [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

Afterschool programs improve academic performance and outcomes by increasing school day attendance, reducing grade retention, and improving classroom behavior. #ThisIsAfterschool [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

STEM learning comes alive in afterschool programs, from data science to creative computing and environmental education. [Join](#) over 1 million Americans to celebrate #LightsOnAfterschool on Oct. 22! [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

Afterschool STEM programs inspire kids to act on curiosity and develop hands-on problem-solving skills. On 10/22, let's raise our voices for #LightsOnAfterschool! [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

The end of the school day doesn't mean learning ends! Afterschool programs keep Georgia youth safe, connected, and thriving during peak hours for risky behaviors. Help amplify their impact with [#LightsOnAfterschool](#) [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

From nutritious meals to team-building physical activity, afterschool programs promote health & wellness in tons of ways! Show your support and get active for #LightsOnAfterschool this year! How will you celebrate? <https://3to6.co/asi> [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

This year, afterschool programs helped kids get outside, stay active, and build connections when they needed it the most. Let's help keep the #LightsOnAfterschool for our youth because we know #AfterschoolWorks: <https://3to6.co/asi> [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

Afterschool programs give students the tools they need to unlock their full potential. #LightsOnAfterschool [\[Click to Tweet\]](#)

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Let's keep the #LightsOnAfterschool programs that support youth by keeping them safe, helping them build life skills, and getting them excited about learning.

Each year, #LightsOnAfterschool puts a spotlight on the important role of afterschool in our communities. These programs benefit young people and help parents keep their jobs and provide peace of mind. #GaLightsOn

According to America After 3PM, Georgia parents of more than 1 million children want afterschool programs. With only 13% of school-age children in an afterschool program, over 850,000 children are missing out. #GaLightsOn

Beyond homework help, afterschool programs offer important life skills and physical activity. Use #LightsOnAfterschool to celebrate afterschool staff and educators who make a positive impact on youth every day! Help us celebrate all that afterschool staff do to support youth recovery on Oct. 22. [Register now](#)

Through the BOOST grants program, Afterschool and Summer learning are reaching 117 of Georgia's 159 counties. As we celebrate #LightsOnAfterschool today, let's continue advocating for equal access to quality learning for every young person across Georgia! #BOOSTGeorgia

What does quality out-of-school programming look like? It looks like over 146,200 hours of hands-on learning, mentorship, and youth development delivered across Georgia through the Out of School Services (OSS) program! OSS-funded programs partner with 22 agencies to deliver comprehensive services to Georgia's youth. #OutOfSchoolService

Let's put the #LightsOnAfterschool for afterschool staff who have stepped up to serve our students this year! Everyday, afterschool staff work to provide a safe & fun environment and enriching programming for youth in their community! <https://3to6.co/asi>

Georgia's 21st CCLC afterschool programs are boosting attendance, outperforming both the state average and the low-income student average! #ChronicAbsence is a critical barrier to student success, and afterschool is a proven part of the solution. #21stCCLC
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