

Afterschool Policy Update

**Federal Policy Challenges & Opportunities around
Afterschool and Summer Learning Programs**



Afterschool Alliance

About the Afterschool Alliance

Wide & deep reach at the grassroots & grasstops

- National Partners
- More than 25,000 program providers
- Work with 50 statewide afterschool networks
- 200 Afterschool Ambassadors at the local level
- Dozens of VISTAs embedded to build state and local infrastructure

Systems-building approach

- 1 Field-Building
- 2 Research
- 3 Policy, Advocacy & Communications



The State of Afterschool

More youth than ever before—

10.2 million

—are in afterschool programs.

For every child
in a program,



2 are waiting to get in.



11.3 million kids

are alone and unsupervised from 3 to 6 p.m.



Afterschool is the
peak time for kids to

- commit crimes or become victims of crimes
- experiment with drugs, alcohol, cigarettes & sex



Federal Supports for Afterschool



Trends Afterschool



STEM



SEL

HEPA



CTE



The New Administration



✓ President Trump

- ✓ Campaign plan included tax credits to support education & child care
- ✓ Proposed \$20 billion school tuition voucher plan
- ✓ Expected to release Skinny Budget on March 16, 2017
 - ✓ May include cuts
 - ✓ Border wall, infrastructure expected to strain budget

✓ Secretary DeVos

- ✓ Major advocate for school choice & vouchers
- ✓ Testified she would implement ESSA faithfully
- ✓ Mentioned support for afterschool, but will be looking at all programs carefully



New 115th Congress



- ✓ **FY 17 – Current CR expires April 28th**
 - ✓ **Not a lot of time for FY 17 bill**
 - ✓ **Work off last year**
 - ✓ **House 21st CCLC - \$1.167 billion (stable)**
 - ✓ **Senate - \$1.050 (-\$116 million)**
 - ✓ **Pass final CR through September 30th (most likely)**
- ✓ **Budget process for FY 18 underway now**
- ✓ **Hill meetings & outreach to keep level funding for 21st CCLC happening now**

Legislation on the Agenda?



- ✓ **America Competes**
- ✓ **Perkins Career and Technical Education (CTE)**
- ✓ **Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDPA)**
- ✓ **Child Nutrition Reauthorization (CNR)**

What you can do



✓ ESSA

- ✓ Provide feedback on plans
- ✓ Work with partners, allies and parents

✓ New Administration and Congress

- ✓ Speak out on how federal funds are leveraged at local level
- ✓ Write letters to the editor or op-eds for your local newspaper on school-local government-community partnerships
- ✓ Read the Afterschool Alliance Afterschool Snack blog & watch for action alerts!
- ✓ Keep doing & showcasing your great work!



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