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Announcements from the Center

BACK TO AFTERSCHOOL

Although the persistent triple digit temperatures suggest otherwise, we are in fact, approaching Fall and children and youth are already back in school!

We encourage families to take advantage of our Afterschool Directory, an invaluable resource for available afterschool programs throughout Arizona. Find out what programs are offered in your neighborhood today and keep your children engaged after the school bell rings!

Visit the Arizona Afterschool Directory here:

<http://azafterschool.org/AzAfterschool-Directory/Find-Programs-Near-You.aspx>



Attention afterschool providers!

Be sure to update your program information in the Afterschool Directory so that families can access the most current information!

Contact Caitlin King with questions at caking@azafterschool.org or 602.496.3308.

Turn in your Faces of Afterschool self-portraits by August 30th!

The **Faces of Afterschool** is a statewide afterschool art project in which the many faces of afterschool come alive in artistic self-portraits! Children and youth participating in **summer programs throughout Arizona** have the opportunity to create self-portraits using any 2-dimensional medium.

Project Guidelines, Submission Information & FREE Registration online at <http://azafterschool.org/News--Events/Faces-of-Afterschool.aspx>.



AzCASE is Still Accepting Conference Workshop Proposals!

We want to hear from you, the experts! Reach the growing Arizona afterschool audience with a workshop at the 2010 Afterschool Professional Development Conference.

We are still accepting workshop proposals and are particularly interested in workshops addressing the following topics:

- Staff & site management
- Program evaluation
- Marketing your program
- Including youth with special needs
- Intro to National Common Core Standards
- Family engagement

Proposal guidelines and information at: <http://azafterschool.org/News---Events/Conferences.aspx>

Contact Caitlin King with any questions at 602.496.3308.

Check out the AzCASE Facebook page!

Become our Fan on Facebook for regular updates on what's happening in the Afterschool community!

Find us on Facebook 

2010 Election

Calling all education advocates! Expect More Arizona is looking for volunteers

The August 24th primary election is quickly approaching and we need to make sure Arizonans have education on their list of priorities. Join [Expect More Arizona](#) for a pre-election push to get education top of mind as Arizona voters complete their ballots and go to the polls!

On **August 21st and 22nd**, Expect More Arizona hopes to have 1,000 volunteers across Arizona to reach out to their local communities, distributing "Vote 4 Education" door hangers to 50,000 households. If you can recruit 20 volunteers from your office, church, synagogue, friends, family, club (or anywhere else you can gather 20 Arizonans who expect more for education), and every volunteer can distribute 50 door hangers, we can really make a difference this election season!



Contact Expect More Arizona if you are willing to join together for the 50,000 household challenge. If you are willing take the challenge, they will send you a simple three step process to get you going. They'll even give you some "I Vote 4 Education" t-shirts for your volunteers!

For more information and to sign up, contact Donna Davis at Donna@ExpectMoreArizona.org.

**50 groups. 1,000 volunteers. 50,000 households.
It can be done.**

ELECTION DATES AND DEADLINES!

Primary Election - August 24

Voter Registration closed on July 26

Early Voting Begins - July 29

General Election - November 2, 2010

Voter Registration closes - October 4

Early Voting Begins - October 7

Get your early ballot by going to county recorder and election websites:

<http://www.azsos.gov/election/county.htm>

Candidates for Superintendent of Public Instruction

The imminent election has certainly caught Arizona's attention, our city streets are lined with campaign posters and propaganda. One race you should be paying particular attention to is the **Superintendent of Public Instruction**. Although this is not a particularly visible position, and to many, may take a backseat to the gubernatorial or congressional races, it is vital to remember that the individual we elect will possess

a great deal of influence over the future of Arizona's most valuable resource, our children.

In addition, there are significant differences between the candidates. It is an extremely political election, with tangible difference between the parties, as well as the individuals within each party. With regards to this race, even if you consider yourself a devoted member of one party, you may find yourself leaning elsewhere after considering the qualifications and issue positions of your candidates.

Take a moment to educate yourself on your choices by checking out the brief summaries and other 2010 Election information on our website:

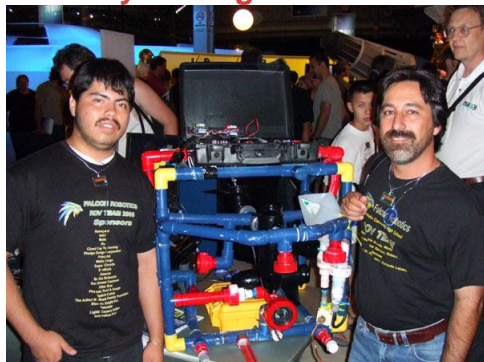
[AZCASE 2010 ELECTIONS PAGE](#)

Listen to the candidates debate school funding on KJZZ 91.5:

http://kjzz.org/news/arizona/archives/201008/school_super

Afterschool in the News

Carl Hayden High Afterschool Robotics Program Featured in the AZ Republic



The 2010 Arizona Afterschool Conference will feature a keynote address by Fredi Lajvardi, co-founder of the Carl Hayden High School Falcon Robotics afterschool program. *The Arizona Republic* did a 4-page feature on the Falcon Robotics program in the Sunday paper - read more about this amazingly impactful afterschool program [HERE](#).

Register for the November Conference and watch a video about Fredi and the Falcon Robotics at www.afterschool.org.

County Chief: AZ Public Health Threatened by Ballot Measure

Arizonans will decide in November whether to reverse their 2006 decision to tax cigarettes an extra 80 cents a pack for early childhood health and education programs; lawmakers want that money to instead help remedy the state's continuing budget shortfall. A ballot measure would abolish the First Things First early childhood programs adopted by voters four years ago, which are funded by the tax, and redirect the tax to Arizona's general fund. [Read more HERE..](#)

Mott grant helps keep kids learning after school

The Charles Stewart Mott Foundation is a sponsor of afterschool networks and programs across the country, including the Arizona Center for Afterschool Excellence. "Mott funding for afterschool... focuses primarily on demonstrations, evaluations and advocacy at the state and federal levels. This includes a total of \$140.2-million since



1998 for the country's 21st Century Community Learning Centers and statewide afterschool networks."

[Read more about Mott here...](#)

Job Opportunities

BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF THE EAST VALLEY, Branch Executive

The Boys & Girls Clubs of the East Valley is currently accepting resumes from qualified individuals for the Branch Executive position at their Grant Woods-Mesa Branch. This position directs, oversees and manages the daily operations of the branch with primary concern for program and service delivery, supervision and training of staff, facilities management, fundraising, community relations, budget development and administration, branch board development, and membership administration. The salary range for this position is \$37-40,500 per year plus benefits DOE.

Qualifications:

Qualified candidates must have a minimum of five years full-time work experience in a Boys & Girls Club or similar organization, experience with branch operations, supervising staff and fiscal management along with a four-year degree from an accredited university or equivalent experience.

Interested persons need to submit a cover letter outlining their qualifications and a current resume to the Human Resources Department via fax 480.820.4093 or e-mail to dianes@clubzona.org. Resumes must be received by August 27.

BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF THE EAST VALLEY, Area Director

Area Director provides leadership and direction for overall daily operations of more than one designated branch within the East Valley with the primary concern for programs and service delivery, supervision and training of staff, facilities management, community relations and membership administration. The area director advises and assists branch executives in the areas of volunteers, facility management, personnel issues, budget development, branch boards, resource development, and programs. Responsible for accountability of goals set for branch and organization. The salary range for this position is \$55,000-60,000 a year depending on experience.

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university, or equivalent experience.
- A minimum of five years' work experience in a Boys & Girls Club or similar organization planning and supervising activities based on the developmental needs of young people, with an additional two years' experience at the branch executive level, or equivalent experience.
- Thorough knowledge of recreation and youth development theory.
- Demonstrated ability in working with branch boards.
- Demonstrated ability in personnel supervision, facilities management, and the recruitment and retention of key personnel.
- Strong communication skills, both verbal and written.
- Ability to deal effectively with members' discipline problems.
- Working knowledge of budget preparation, control, and management.
- Skills in fund-raising events.

Interested persons need to submit a cover letter outlining their qualifications and a current resume to Cindy Zak-Slette via fax (480.820.4093) or e-mail (cindy@clubzona.org). Resumes received after August 27 will not be considered.

COMMUNITY PREVENTION COALITION, Prevention Coordinator

Community Prevention Coalition looking to hire a Prevention Coordinator with good communication skills and community organization and development skills!

Contact the HR Dept at Compass Behavioral Healthcare, Inc. at 520.882.5608 or submit resume to abass@compasshc.org.

FREE ARTS OF ARIZONA, PT Receptionist

Free Arts of Arizona, a nonprofit organization that brings creative arts programs to abused, homeless and at-risk children, is looking for a part-time receptionist. The receptionist will provide support for the operations department, greet guests and answer phones. The ideal candidate will have one to two years of practical work experience in a business setting, knowledge of multi-line telephones, general office procedures, and excellent customer-service skills. Computer proficiency in Windows-based applications including Microsoft Office is mandatory. Must be an organized, proactive problem solver with excellent people skills and a desire to make a difference in the lives of Arizona's children!

Submit resume and cover letter indicating desired position to search@freeartsaz.org. No phone calls please.

BALLET ARIZONA, School Registrar

The School Registrar provides administrative support to staff, teachers, parents, and students of the School of Ballet Arizona (SBAZ). The School Registrar must:

- Maintain knowledge of SBAZ mission, policies and program
- Provide administrative support on a daily basis
- Project a positive image, both artistically and administratively, both within the community and nationally.

This is a full-time position, which offers medical, dental and life insurance. The hours for this position are 1 p.m. - 9:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. These hours may vary slightly during the season; flexibility on the incumbent's part is critical.

For a detailed job description, please visit www.balletaz.org. To apply, e-mail your cover letter and resume to sprice@balletaz.org. Ballet Arizona is located at 3645 E. Indian School Rd. Phoenix, AZ 85018.

FIRST THINGS FIRST, Multiple Positions Throughout Arizona

First Things First was established to provide greater opportunities for all children five and under in Arizona to arrive at kindergarten ready to succeed. The staff of First Things First provides research and expertise to support the work of the Board and Regional Councils, and the wide variety of implementation strategies in local communities. As a team, First Things First carries out its mission and goals using shared core values that reflect children as their first priority and by being thoughtful stewards of First Things First funds and resources.

There are positions available in the following locations:

- Maricopa County (Phoenix)
- Yuma County (Yuma)
- Navajo Nation (Window Rock)
- La Paz/Mohave Counties (Lake Havasu)
- Yavapai County (Prescott)
- Navajo/Apache Counties (Lakeside)
- Coconino County (Flagstaff)

For full job descriptions, requirements and application instructions, visit <http://www.aztf.gov/WhoWeAre/Careers/Pages/default.aspx>.

KIDS SPORTS STARS, Program Coordinator

Kids Sports Stars' (KSS) mission is to motivate and educate kids to adopt and maintain healthy, active lifestyles. The Program Coordinator will be responsible for overseeing the implementation of KSS programs at multiple elementary schools throughout the greater Phoenix area. Working with organizational partners, school district personnel, principals and school "coaches," the Program Coordinator, through the school based staff, will ensure the effective implementation of KSS' program model, which includes physical activity, nutrition education and goal setting/reflection. KSS is offered at elementary schools three days a week before or after school. Salary range - \$30,000 - \$35,000. Anticipated start date September 1.

For a full job announcement, visit: <http://www.kidssportsstars.org/careers.aspx>

Send resume, cover letter, two professional references and a response to the question below by August 4 to: Anne Byrne, Executive Director to anne@kidssportsstars.org

Please include a half page response to this question:

What components would you incorporate into a program designed to motivate young people aged 8 -11 to participate in regular physical activity?

BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF CENTRAL AZ, Enrollment Specialist

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Arizona is looking for an Enrollment Specialist. This position will focus on interviewing, enrollment, and assessment of Volunteers, Children, and Families who participate in one of the most successful and respected mentoring programs in the United States. The Enrollment Specialist must be able to interview, assess, and document effectively; be self-motivated; highly organized; adept at time management, and highly skilled at verbal communication.

Please e-mail resume with cover letter to hiringmanager@bbbsaz.org. Phone calls regarding this position

will not be accepted. No faxes please. EEO/AA.

Funding Opportunities

Grants for Programs Serving Children with Special Needs

Deadline: August 31, 2010

Innovating Worthy Projects Foundation will provide grants of \$5,000+ to organizations dedicated to developing innovative programs, disseminating ideas or providing direct care or services for children with special needs, acute illnesses, or chronic disabilities.

More information is available at: <http://www.iwpcf.org/application/index.html>

2010 Healthy Sprouts Awards

Deadline: October 1, 2010



The National Gardening Association and Subaru will provide 30 grants to schools and community organizations to plan and plant a garden in 2011 with at least 15 children between the ages of 3 and 18. Grants will include \$500 gift certificates to the Gardening with Kids catalog, among other items.

More information is available at:

<http://www.kidsgardening.com/grants/healthysprouts.asp>

CVS Caremark Community Grants Program

Deadline: October 31, 2010

Nonprofits working to provide health and rehabilitation services, greater inclusion in school activities, and access to physical movement for children under age 21 with disabilities are eligible for grants of up to \$5,000.

[Click here for details.](#)

Office Depot Foundation Grants

Deadline: November 15, 2010

The Office Depot Foundation provides grants of \$50-\$3,000 to nonprofits serving, teaching and inspiring children, youth and families; supporting civic organizations and activities that serve community needs; and disaster relief.

More information at <http://www.officedepotfoundation.com/funding.asp>.

Bank of the West Introduces Online Charitable Grants System

Deadline: December 31, 2010

San Francisco-based Bank of the West's new online Commitment to Community Charitable Investments Program provides grants to local nonprofit organizations dedicated to improving quality of life, particularly for low- and moderate-income individuals and communities. Grants are made in the categories of Community and Economic Development, Education and Job Training, Health and Human Care, and Civic and Cultural.

[Click here](#) to visit the Commitment to Community grants site.

After School Advantage Program

Deadline: Ongoing

The GTECH Corporation is awarding afterschool computer labs to inner-city youth, ages 5-15, located in certain states, including Arizona. They will award 100 Computer Labs at \$15,000 each to programs serving minority and at-risk children and youth.

More information is available at: http://www.gtech.com/about_gtech/proposal_guidelines.asp

Captain Planet Grants

Deadline: Ongoing

The Captain Planet Foundation makes available grants, ranging from \$250 to \$2,500, for projects that engage children and youth in the environment with hands-on activities.

Eligible programs will promote the understanding of environmental issues; focus on hands-on involvement; involve children ages 6 to 18; promote interaction and cooperation within the group; help children and youth develop planning and problem-solving skills; and include adult supervision. If awarded a grant, a commitment to follow-up communication with the Captain Planet Foundation also is required.



For information on the grants, including deadlines and a link to apply, go to <http://captainplanetfoundation.org/default.aspx?pid=3&tab=apply>.

Grants for Gardens

Deadline: Ongoing

Annie's Homegrown offers a limited number of grants for up to \$250 to fund community gardens, school gardens, and other educational programs that connect children directly to gardening. These funds can be used to buy gardening tools, seeds or other needed supplies.

If you would like to apply, read the complete guidelines and fill out an online application at http://www.annies.com/grants_for_gardens.

Arizona Tax Credits Mean Funding for Afterschool

Did you know that Arizona taxpayers can receive credits of up to \$200 per person or \$400 per household for donations made to extra-curricular or character education programs out-of-school time?

For details and a list of schools currently accepting these contributions, visit www.arizonaschooltaxcredit.com/az-taxpayers.aspx.

If your school's afterschool program is not on the list but you would like to participate, contact Bonnie Leedy [here](#).

Trainings & Events

National Institute on Out-of-School Time Effective Management Seminar - ONLY 5 SPACES LEFT!!!

Are you finding it more challenging than ever to provide leadership to your afterschool site(s)? Join afterschool professionals from all over Southern AZ who are tackling the same issue for a NIOST Workshop.

When: **Friday, August 27 & Saturday, August 28, 2010**

Time: **9:00 am - 5:00 pm**

Where: **Hilton Tucson East**

Who should attend: New to the field Directors, Experienced Directors and Afterschool Coordinators

Cost: **\$250** and includes breakfast, lunch and materials

This training will focus on the administrative components of a quality afterschool program. Included will be effective systems to manage fiscal resources and administrative policies, evaluation and outcomes, workplace issues, strategies for recruitment and retention, staff development and training, ideas for building a family-responsive program, building a "learning organization," leadership and management styles and working collaboratively with schools and communities.

Space is very limited so register online NOW at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/3QMXR5V>.

Register Today!

2010 Arizona Afterschool Conference:

Enriching Out-of-School Time Programs with STEM



Join us for the **18th Annual Arizona Afterschool Conference**, featuring workshops and speakers aimed at strengthening out-of-school time programs and staff.

This year's theme is **STEM: Science, Technology, Engineering & Math** and how to incorporate these subjects into out-of-school time programming as well as workshops geared toward topics such as site management, advocacy & marketing your program.

Register today for this invaluable professional development opportunity!

Saturday, November 20, 2010 - 8 am to 3:30 pm
Phoenix Convention Center

Register online at <http://azafterschool.org/News---Events/Conferences.aspx> or call 602.496.3308.

Scholarships are available upon request. Please complete Scholarship Application on Conference Registration web page or contact Caitlin King at 602.496.3308.

Tucson Teens Wanted for Youth Advisory Council/Tucson Teen Congress

The Metropolitan Education Commission (MEC) is looking for dedicated students to join their Youth Advisory Council/Tucson Teen Congress (YAC/TTC).

The YAC/TTC has begun its recruitment for new members. They are looking for a cross section of youth representative of the diversity of the Tucson community. The YAC/TTC is also interested in a broad range of students with different skills and abilities as well as interests. Recruitment is open; the first meeting of the YAC/TTC is **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2010**, 6:00 - 7:30p.m., at the Joel D. Valdez Main Library, 101 N. Stone Ave., Lower Level Meeting Room.

Applications for service can be downloaded at www.tucsonaz.gov/mec and emailed to metcom@theriver.com; faxed (520.670.1110) or mailed to the MEC office: at Metropolitan Education Commission, 930 E. Broadway Blvd., Tucson, AZ 85719.

Communication and Effective Team-Building

Bill Michaelis and Ezra Holland (www.children-together.org) are coming **October 1, 2010** to present a workshop on Communication and Effective Team Building. The workshop will be targeted to preschool and afterschool staff and will be held at the Cave Creek Unified School District.

Stay tuned for more information!!!!

Contact Heather Turner with questions at 480.575.2440 or HTurner@ccusd93.org.

New Global Citizens Global Action Workshop

New Global Citizens invites you to a FREE workshop for youth ages 13 - 19, teachers, and youth development workers currently active with NGC or interested in learning more about youth-led global action.

Please share with others READY TO CHANGE THE WORLD!!!

More info on New Global Citizens at www.newglobalcitizens.org.



RSVP Today!

**Spotlight on Afterschool:
Awards of Excellence Luncheon on October 13th**



Celebrate the work of afterschool programs, staff and leaders in Arizona at the **9th Annual Spotlight on Afterschool: Awards of Excellence Luncheon!**

October 13th, 11:30 am at the Arizona Biltmore Resort, Grand Ballroom.

Reserve your spot at this year's Luncheon:

<http://azafterschool.org/News---Events/Awards-Luncheon-Registration.aspx>

Afterschool Resources, Research, & Reports

Career Cards from Voices: Community Stories Past & Present

The Career Cards are a project funded by the Communities Empowering Youth grant. Nineteen people in a variety of career fields were interviewed and photographed by youth from Voices: Community Stories Past & Present. Youth can access the Facebook pages and ask these adults questions regarding the careers they have chosen.

[Amber the Air Force Weather Forecaster](#)

[Firefighter Division Chief Cheryl](#)

[Professional Wrestler Dean Radford](#)

[Gina aka "Mrs. Green"](#)

[Celeste the Community Engagement Coordinator](#)

[Jenny the Graphic Artist](#)

[Jimmy the Newspaper Editor](#)

[Correctional Officer John](#)

[Julie in Public Relations and Marketing](#)

[Kerry the Chief Creative Officer](#)
[Kevin the Science Go-To Guy](#)
[Mamta the Photojournalist](#)
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[Michael the History Professor](#)
[Grants Manager Reuben](#)
[Freelance Videographer Tim](#)
[Youth Coordinator Veronica](#)
[Adam the Video Artist & Media Maker](#)
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For hard copies of these cards, please send requests to anenni@unitedwaytucson.org.

-- From the Youth Development Coalition of Tucson

Free Afterschool Math Resources from Mixing in Math



Mixing in Math combines math with:

- everyday activities, like cooking and cleaning up;
- projects that involve crafts, movement, and science;
- games for indoors and out!

Download everything for free at <http://mixinginmath.terc.edu>.

2010 KIDS COUNT Data Book Released by the Annie E. Casey Foundation



9% of Arizona teens (ages 16-19) are NOT in school and NOT working according to the [2010 KIDS COUNT Data Book](#) just released by the Annie E. Casey Foundation.

See how Arizona measures up against other states on 10 key indicators of child well-being.

Download the full report online or order a copy for free at:
<http://datacenter.kidscount.org/DataBook/2010/Default.aspx>.

New Resource on STEM Learning Afterschool

The Frontiers in Urban Science Exploration Resource Guide, produced by the Collaborative for Building After-School Systems ([CBASS](#)) to promote informal science education after-school.

The Resource Guide describes Frontiers in Urban Science Exploration (FUSE), created by The After-School Corporation (TASC) to stimulate a culture shift that leads to greater opportunities for kids to

experience informal science education afterschool, as well as in school and during summers. The guide, part of a national initiative to promote FUSE, presents promising STEM models from around the country and provides links and information about STEM research reports, curricula and evaluation resources. FUSE and this resource guide were developed with support from Noyce Foundation.

The resource guide is available through the CBASS website at: <http://www.afterschoolsystems.org/content/document/detail/3040/>

Afterschool and Summer Learning Programs Make Learning Stick!

High-quality afterschool and summer learning programs have long demonstrated that when academics are connected to the real world, learning becomes relevant and it sticks! The Mott Foundation is proud to announce the launch of the Make It Stick campaign which showcases afterschool and summer learning programs across the country that are already making a difference.

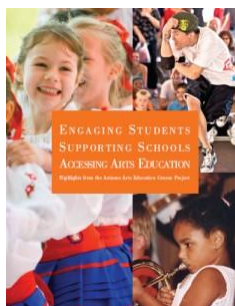


Leaders in afterschool and summer learning are critical to building robust content that can help your colleagues across the country make the case that high-quality afterschool and summer learning programs provide:

- More young people with engaging learning opportunities tied to academics
- More collaboration between schools and communities
- More structure at the state level supporting innovation and improvement
- More research on what works
- More of what makes learning stick!

Visit MakeltStick.org at <http://makeitstick.org/san> today to sign up for updates, share your stories, use the toolkit to spread the word and much more!

Brand new data on arts education in Arizona from the Arizona Commission on the Arts!



The Arizona Commission on the Arts has released the **Arizona Arts Education Census Project** results with key data on the current state of arts education in Arizona.

Download the full report at: <http://www.azarts.gov/arts-learning/arizona-arts-education-research-institute/>

Snapshot of Afterschool in Arizona

Check out the latest snapshot of Afterschool in Arizona including research, news, and information about state policy and funding from the Afterschool Alliance at:

www.afterschoolalliance.org/policyStateFacts.cfm?state_abbr=AZ



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