



Arizona Center for Afterschool Excellence

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Job Opportunity

The City of Tucson
KIDCO Program is
hiring youth ages 16
and older to help run
its summer programs.



Applicants must have
some youth work
experience, work up
to 26-30 hours a week
from May to July with
children ages 5-11
years old.

If hired, youth will be
involved in arts &
crafts, sports &
games, dance &
drama, swimming,
field trips and more!

February 14, 2014

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Dear Melanie,

Save the date! Mark your calendar!

School's Out, Make It Count
**Engaging Youth in Life &
Learning**

**Arizona's only statewide
Out-of-School Time Conference
and Awards of Excellence Luncheon
will be held**

***Saturday, November 15th,
2014***

at the Phoenix Convention Center

More information at
www.azafterschool.org

STEAM trainings at the Desert Botanical Garden

Join Desert Botanical Garden staff and
other educators in the continuing
exploration of the connections between
science and design. This training
accompanies the Common Core

Online applications are available [here](#) or on the City of Tucson website from February 16 to March 2.

Why STEM?

Why do we need PD for STEM?

Click2Science PD is a free, online, professional development tool that supports OST staff and volunteers in improving STEM facilitation skills.

Check out the following video to learn more!



Click2Science: Moments that Click!

Annual Empower Conference-Save the Date!

Announcing the 3rd Annual Empower Conference Empowering Habits,

Standards curriculum of the newest STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) tours. These dynamic lesson plans and guided tours are sure to provide basic and enrichment learning for your students. The \$30 fee per teacher will include CEU/Professional Development credit.



The next training is March 1st at 9-12p.m. RSVP with Nina Avila at navila@dbq.org

Literacy Strategies in Afterschool

Reading and literacy skills can be strengthened outside the classroom. Out-of-school time programs can and should play an important role in helping kids discover the joy of reading. Plan to join us for one of four trainings in March to learn new techniques that are designed for out-of-school settings.

The Connecticut After School Network has compiled "**Literacy Strategies After School**", a guide that provides 50 fun and meaningful activities for youth of all ages.

Learn how to integrate this critical new tool in your program, and help kids have fun while building their reading skills!

Participants in this workshop, presented by Kathy Wilby, will receive training on what the Common Core/College and Career Ready Standards are, how they affect youth's classroom curriculum, and

Empowering
Lives: Superheroes
Soaring to New
Heights!

When: Saturday, May
3rd, 2014

What: All day free
training

Where: Desert Willow
Conference Center:
4340 E. Cotton Center
Blvd. Phx, AZ 85040

Check [here](#) for
conference updates.



Afterschool in the News

-Six Winter
Olympics-Themed
STEM Resources

-Boys and Girls Clubs
of Central Arizona to
Temporarily Close

-MIT Expands High
School Invention
Program

AzCASE Resources

Jobs

how out-of-school time programs can reinforce reading comprehension and overall literacy. They will also receive step-by-step guidance on how to implement several of the 50 activities in the strategy guide, as well as information on how to access and successfully teach the remaining activities.

This Professional Development workshop costs only \$30 per person. All attendees will receive a certificate of attendance at the end of the training to fulfill three DHS Growth and Development hours.

- Flagstaff-March 3, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- Peoria-March 4, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- Phoenix-March 5, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- Tucson-March 6, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

[Click here to register.](#)

College Heroes Save the Day: A Partnership with a POW!

You may know of superheroes that can leap tall buildings and run faster than a speeding train, but let me introduce you to some college students who are saving the day in the Washington Elementary School District's after school programs.

The 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant funds were not available for a competition last spring. This federally-funded program supports after school community learning centers that operate primarily on school campuses statewide. Services include academic intervention and enrichment activities along with a

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broad array of youth development opportunities. These after school and summer classes complement the student's regular school day program.

Due to the lack of funding, **eight schools in the district were left without after school programs** for the 2013-14 school year.


The Washington Elementary School District (WESD) Academic Support Programs Department worked together with Glendale Community College, Grand Canyon University and Northern Arizona University to forge a new partnership to provide academic intervention for elementary students in eight schools within the district. The college/university students would use these placement hours to meet the requirements for education classes. WESD and the local colleges/universities worked together on a new plan that included organizing schedules, reviewing requirements for placement hours, new job descriptions, background checks, planning and hosting orientation and securing funds for T-shirts and backpacks for the college students.



Pictured: College Interns from Glendale Community College and Northern Arizona University on the scene at Lakeview Elementary

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p save the day... Credit Union West who is an active member of the WESD



Business Advisory Team, was thrilled to be a program sponsor, which included the design and purchase of program T-shirts that the college students wore during the classes. Through this partnership, Credit Union West received positive recognition and an opportunity to showcase their educational programs.

Continue reading about the partnerships here.

Thank you for your support of all we do at **Arizona Center for Afterschool Excellence!**

Sincerely,

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