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Act Now to Save Federal Out-of-School Time Funding

The fiscal year 2018 federal budget is in, and it eliminates 21st Century Community Learning Centers funding completely. Despite an overwhelming display of support for afterschool from voters, communities, and lawmakers from across the political spectrum, the White House remains committed to cutting the programs that kids and families rely on.

When the budget cut was floated back in March, the reaction was swift and absolutely clear:

- Highly respected institutions posted <u>new research summaries</u> demonstrating that afterschool programs provide tremendous benefits - as nearly every study has clearly shown.
- A <u>Quinnipiac national poll</u> found that 83 percent of voters oppose cutting funding for afterschool and summer programs, with just 14 supporting the administration's position.

Now is the time to act. Congress needs to hear from you! On June 7th join the hundreds of out-of-school time supporters from across the country who will be calling or visiting their members of Congress. It's easy - Sign up here!

Day of Action

Help AzCASE Develop Your Future Professional Development!

For many years now, AzCASE has offered both an annual conference and spring workshops designed to provide quality professional development for people who work in the OST field. We want to make sure that as we grow we are still responsive to the needs of the community. Please take a moment to take our professional development survey.



The survey is entirely confidential and AzCASE will not see any individual responses--it is being hosted and analyzed at Benedictine University in Mesa. The responses will be collected and combined and the aggregate results will be shared at our annual conference as well as published statewide.

PLEASE share the survey with your staff, your peers, anyone you know who works in the afterschool, before school or summer arena.

Take Our PD Survey

Apply to Present at the 2017 AZ OST Conference

The Conference Committee is looking for 60 minute workshops that are **skills-based** and **interactive** for the October 28th conference at the Phoenix Convention Center.



Conference tracks include Program Leadership; Arts, Literacy and Humanities; STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math); Health, Fitness, & Games; Program Quality; and Youth Development, but all proposals will be accepted and reviewed.

Each proposal will be evaluated using the Workshop Proposal Rubric included in the proposal packet and all proposals need to be submitted online. Download the Request for Proposals for more about the workshops, audience, and the rubric.

Apply by June 30!

Grant Opportunity to Bring OST to Title I Middle Schools



Get to know **Inspirement Tribe**, an innovative after-school program provider that is new to the Arizona community. Founder and CEO, Tyree Dillingham, shares her insights and wisdom on what makes a successful After-School program and how to fund it. Inspirement Tribe's unique approach to After-School programming utilizes Social Emotional Learning (SEL) principles and drives attendance and graduation.

Find out more about Inspirement Tribe and contact them today.

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