AZCASE
“Make It Count” Quality Pledge

The “Make It Count” Pledge represents your commitment to delivering quality out-of-school time programming for Arizona kids. Make It Count programs use Schools Out, Make It Count: Arizona Quality Standards for Out-of-School Time Programs to Learn, Implement, Fine-Tune and Teach — LIFT! their programs to new heights of quality.

LEARN • Review, reflect, set goals, research

IMPLEMENT • Experiment, try new approaches, engage partners

FINE-TUNE • Measure, tweak practices, set new goals

TEACH • Share what you learn, train others

By signing the “Make It Count” Pledge, you commit to continuously work to improve the quality of our program. We pledge to always aim to make our program a work in progress, striving to be greater each day. The “Make It Count” Pledge demonstrates our commitment to working to be better than we were the day before because the youth we serve deserve high quality and “quality” is not static. Quality looks different at every site, it changes over time and with every new group of kids.

We commit to Quality. We commit to “Make It Count” for every kid in our program.

School’s Out, Make It Count!
Click HERE to sign your pledge today!
Calling all afterschool artists!
Design the Lights On poster and win $500!

The Lights On Afterschool poster contest is officially open, and this year we’re changing our theme to reflect how youth see themselves and their futures because of their afterschool program!

We’ve been through a lot over the past few years. Afterschool programs have stepped up their game to support children and families during the pandemic and they continue to provide those supports through the summer. This year, we want you to see artwork that addresses one of the following prompts:

- What my afterschool program means to me. Share what makes your program stand out and what your program has done to help you succeed.
- My afterschool program has helped prepare me for the future. Show us how your program introduced you to a fun career, taught you a new skill, or made a difference in your life path.
- My favorite thing about my afterschool program is… Draw something you love to do while you’re attending your program!

As always, the winning artwork will be printed on more than 50,000 posters that will be displayed at more than 8,000 Lights On Afterschool events around the world. The winning artist will be featured on our website, blog, and a national press release, and their afterschool program will be credited on the poster in addition to receiving the grand prize of $500!

Click HERE for tips on winning, rules and guidelines, and how to register!
We're hiring! Join the AzCASE team as an Americorp VISTA!

Responsibilities: Organize, promote and execute a series of Lights On Afterschool events to draw attention to the many ways afterschool programs support students by offering them opportunities to learn new things and discover new skills. Collaborate with network staff and network partners to support fund development and financial sustainability efforts. Coordinate AzCASE’s Million Girl Moonshot Equity Training with Grant Winners. Engage in the promotion, evaluation and sharing of resources around a wide variety of issues related to equal access, diversity and equity. Collaborate with network staff to hold a professional development conference with a special target of low income and tribal communities.