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## Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Comment Period

Arizona's State Plan for the **Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)** is available for public comment and the **Afterschool Alliance** has a toolkit to help you advocate for out-of-school time programs!



Here are out-of-school time talking points organized section by section of ESSA.

There are also multiple **factsheets** highlighting research about the positive intersection of OST and Academic Achievement, Closing Achievement Gaps, Graduation Rates, and Chronic Absenteeism.

And many other resources to help you get your voice heard.

Submit your ESSA survey, email the ADE with your thoughts, and read others' responses.

**Share your Out-of-School Time  
ESSA Priorities**

## Canyon Educational Participant Organization Night at GCU

Grand Canyon University is inviting AzCASE partners to join them for a basketball game at GCU Arena. Enjoy **complimentary tickets to the game, pizza** and the chance to watch head coach "Thunder Dan" Majerle and the Lopes play.

When you RSVP online, select **CEP Organization Night** under **Group Affiliation**.



**Date: Saturday, Dec. 17 at 7 pm**  
**Location: GCU Arena**  
**3300 W. Camelback Road, Phoenix, AZ 85017**

**RSVP now for your  
complimentary tickets**

## "Making a Lasting Impact" Lunch & Learn

Motivational Speaker **Manny Padia** of **Produce Positivity** is presenting "Making a Lasting Impact" for **Future for Kids'** December 2nd Lunch and Learn.



This is a free professional development opportunity to hear from Manny, who has been in the Out-of-School Time field for over 16 years and is a strong supporter of OST programs and youth development professionals. AzCASE is appreciative of his enthusiastic partnership and support and is happy to share this opportunity! **Space is limited, so RSVP now.**

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