



FY19 21st CCLC Grantees

On June 13th the Illinois State Board of Education posted the names of the FY19 21st Century Community Learning Centers grantees. Included are 25 school districts/community organizations from across the state. ACT Now extends its congratulations to all FY19 award recipients. The complete list can be viewed [here](#).

Policy

ISBE June Board Meeting

The Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) met on June 13, 2018. The meeting packet can be found [here](#). Public comment at the meeting centered on the importance of the pre-school for all and birth to 3 early learning programs, ESSA accountability goals, the P-2 indicator, and the statewide science assessment. The Board heard presentations on the Post-Secondary Workforce Readiness Act, the Technical Advisory Council for ESSA accountability, and the FY19 Budget. The next board meeting will be **August 8, 2018**.

Youth Budget Commission

HB5202 establishes the Youth Budget Coalition with the purpose of creating a yearly analysis of the State budget across the six developmental goals that all youth need to build exceptional lives. This Commission will use the scan to advise the administration on youth program policies and spending. It passed in both Houses on May 18th and received a \$150,000 appropriation in the FY19 budget. The Start to Finish Coalition has developed a [sign-on letter](#) urging Governor Rauner to sign HB5202 into law. To add your organization to the letter, click [here](#). The deadline to sign-on is **Thursday, June 21, 2018**.

Federal Budget Update

The U.S. House and Senate Labor, Health and Human Services, Education Appropriations (LHHS) Subcommittees, which set funding levels for the 21st Century Community Learning Centers, are expected to determine how much money each program receives later this month. The House's plan has the same funding as last year for LHHS while the Senate approved a \$2.188 billion increase compared to FY18. At the June 5th Senate LHHS Subcommittee hearing featuring testimony from Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos, several committee members directly addressed afterschool and questioned the administration's elimination of funding. The federal fiscal year ends on September 30, 2018 and there is a possibility that Congress will pass a continuing resolution, putting off final spending bill decisions until after the November mid-term

elections. To share with your legislators the importance of funding afterschool, click [here](#). For more information on the appropriation proceedings, click [here](#).

ACT Now policy updates affecting the afterschool/youth development field, including information about Teen REACH and 21st Century, can be found [here](#).

Upcoming Event

Afterschool Development Work Group

The Afterschool Development Work Group is a self-organized group of afterschool, education, civic, and nonprofit leaders and practitioners working together to amplify the voice of afterschool as a vital resource to improve the lives of Chicago's youth. Their next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, June 27, 2018**, from 9:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. For more information, click [here](#).

Youth Opportunity

AeroStar Aviation Summer Session

AeroStar is hosting a two-week aviation camp targeting fifth through eighth grade students. The camp will be held from **June 25, 2018 through July 3, 2018** at Dunbar Vocational Career Academy High School in Chicago, IL. For more information or to register, click [here](#).

For archived youth opportunities, click [here](#).

Trainings and Webinars

Beyond the Bell Webinars

The American Institutes for Research will be hosting 30-minute webinars every two months that will expound upon one of their 96 *Beyond the Bell* tools. The **Wednesday, July 18, 2018** session will focus on Positive Youth Development. For more information or to register, click [here](#).

To view ACT Now's calendar of events, click [here](#).

Resources

Resources to Prevent Summer Learning Loss

Students' achievement scores decline over summer vacation. The learning loss is especially pronounced for at-risk students. For a list of educational activities to combat the summer slide, click [here](#).

For a list of afterschool and youth development related resources collected by ACT Now, click [here](#).

Opportunities for Providers

Grow Your Own Teacher

Grow Your Own Teacher provides financial assistance and wrap around supports to increase teacher diversity in Illinois public schools. Applications are being accepted for the Waukegan and Chicago programs. For more information, click [here](#).

Black Girls CODE Wellness Instructors

Black Girl CODE is looking for Summer Camp Wellness Instructors and Social Justice Speakers for its Chicago summer camp. Click [here](#) for more information.

For archived opportunities for providers, click [here](#).

Funding Opportunity

Gen2Gen Summer Fun Grants

Gen2Gen is giving away 10 mini-grants of up to \$250 for fun, creative summer projects that bring older adults and kids together for meaningful interactions. The deadline to apply is **Saturday June 30, 2018**. For more information, click [here](#).

Collaboration for Healthy and Thriving Students

21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) Cohort 13 and 15 grantees are invited to apply for the Collaboration for Healthy and Thriving Students grant. The fund provides opportunities for communities to establish or expand activities to serve the needs of the whole child and leverage the purposes of the 21st CCLC. The deadline to apply is **Tuesday, July 31, 2018**. For more information, click [here](#).

For a list of previously listed afterschool and youth development related grants, click [here](#).

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