

21st Century Community Learning Centers External Resources

- **21st Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC) State Program**, <http://www.ed.gov/21stcclc/state.html> - State plan page from the U.S. Department of Education.
- **Afterschool.gov**, <http://www.afterschool.gov/> - Offers links and referrals to a wide variety of after-school resources including a database of more than 100 grant and loan programs from the federal government.
- **Afterschool Alliance**, <http://www.afterschoolalliance.org> - Advocacy for awareness of afterschool programs.
- **Benton Foundation's Connect for Kids**, <http://www.connectforkids.org/> - Provides information and ideas to help parents get involved in improving the community for their children.
- **Center for Community Partnerships**, www.upenn.edu/ccp - Provides information on University of Pennsylvania community service programs, community service courses, and publications.
- **Child Trends**, <http://www.childtrends.org> - Provides research on successful practices that meet the standards of Principles of Effectiveness.
- **Coalition for Community Schools**, <http://www.communityschools.org/> - Provides tools to help community schools deal with the challenges they face. Offers the opportunity to participate in an online discussion forum and to become a part of their e-mail newsletter.
- **C.S. Mott Foundation**, - <http://www.mott.org/> Includes an overview of the 21st Century Community Learning Centers program, announcements and polls, grant listings, and an online discussion group.
- **Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA)** – This links you to a government-wide compendium of all 1,499 Federal programs, projects, services, and activities that provide assistance or benefits to the American public. <http://aspe.os.dhhs.gov/cfda/index.htm>
- **Federal Resources for Educational Excellence**, <http://www.ed.gov/free> - Resources for teaching and learning from 30 federal agencies, with search tools and a bulletin board for teachers and federal agencies to communicate about potential collaboration on new teaching and learning resources.
- **The Finance Project**, <http://www.financeproject.org> - Part of a series of technical assistance resources on financing and sustaining out-of-school time and community initiatives.

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- **The Gateway**, <http://www.thegateway.org> (ERIC Clearinghouse on Information and Technology, U.S. Department of Education, National Library of Education) -Provides access to Internet lesson plans, curriculum units, and other education resources.
- **Mid-continent Research for Education and Learning (formerly the Mid-continent Regional Educational Laboratory)**, <http://www.mcrel.org/programs/21stcentury/index.asp> - Includes basic information on the 21st CCLC program, studies and reports on after-school models and case studies, references to programs providing assistance for after-school operations, an e-mail discussion forum, and an opportunity to submit questions to McREL staff.
- **National Catholic Education Association**, <http://www.ncea.org> - Includes information on publications and conferences related to the topic of after school.
- **National Center for Community Education**, <http://www.nccenet.org> - Provides information on news and events, models and case studies, a networking database, resources, and links to funding opportunities.
- **National Institute on Out-of-School Time**, (NIOST) <http://www.Wellesley.edu/WCW/CRW/SAC> - Provides information on announcements, upcoming events, training services, publications and data, and resource links, as well as information about the NIOST initiative and a proposed partnership to establish standards and accreditation of school-age child care programs.
- **National Network for Child Care**, <http://www.nncc.org/> - Includes an extensive database of publications and an e-mail discussion supported by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Cooperative Extension Services.
- **National School-Age Care Alliance**, <http://www.nsaca.org> - Provides information on quality school-age care and after-school programs.
- **North Central Regional Educational Laboratory**, <http://www.ncrel.org/21stcclc> - Provides information and resources for operating 21st Century Community Learning Centers.
- **Partnership for Family Involvement in Education**, <http://www.pfie.ed.gov> - Includes a comprehensive listing of U.S. Department of Education publications on family and community involvement, including after-school programs, as well as other resources.
- **Promising Trends in Afterschool**, <http://www.afterschool.org> - Search for promising practices around the country in afterschool or share your practices to help build the afterschool field.

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- **The Rural School and Community Trust**, <http://www.ruraledu.org> - Offers links to papers on policy initiatives and emerging issues; a list of publications on place-based education and the efforts of the Rural Trust to link communities and schools in a rural education reform movement; and links to resources.
- **School-Age Notes**, <http://schoolagenotes.com> - After-school catalog of resources for before- and after-school summer programs for ages 5-14.
- **Search Institute**, <http://www.search-institute.org> - Information on an array of topics related to youth development.
- **U.S. Department of Education**, <http://www.ed.gov/21stcclc/> - Offers information and materials on an array of topics related to 21st Century Community Learning Center programs.
- **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**, <http://www.hhs.gov> - Offers information on resources available for after-school programs from HHS.
- **U.S. Department of Justice, Justice for Kids & Youth**, <http://www.usdoj.gov/kidspage> - Furnishes information on children and youth on crime prevention, staying safe, Internet safety, current events, human relations, and the criminal justice system.