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Sacramento START

Supports

Lights On AfterSchool on October 10, 2002!

START Sites	Host Site	Events & Activities	Time
A. M. Winn & Abraham Lincoln	A. M. Winn Elementary 3351 Explorer Drive Sacramento CA 95827 (916) 826 - 9264	Back - TO - School Fashion Show & Family Bar-B-Que	6:30pm - 7:30pm
Anna Kirchgater	Anna Kirchgater Elementary 8141 Stevenson Ave. Sacramento, CA 95828 (916) 826 - 9255	Family Craft Night	5:30pm-7:30pm
Bannon Creek	Bannon Creek Elementary 2775 Millcreek Drive Sacramento CA 95833 (916)826 - 9265	Family Fun & Games	6:00pm-8:00pm
Cesar Chavez & Edward Kemble	Edward Kemble Elementary 7495 29 th Ave. Sacramento CA 958828 (916) 826 - 9397	AfterSchool Presentation & Family Fun Activities	6:00pm-7:00pm
Fairbanks	Fairbanks Elementary 227 Fairbanks Ave. Sacramento, CA 95838 (916)826 - 9312	AfterSchool Dance Party	5:00pm-6:00pm
John Reith	John Reith Elementary 8401 Valley Lark Drive Sacramento, CA 95823 (916)826 - 7803	Family Bar-B-Que & Enrichment Activities	5:30pm-7:30pm
Northwood	Northwood Elementary 2630 Taft Street Sacramento CA 95815 (916)826 - 9285	Family Dance & Games Night	5:00pm-6:00pm

We Welcome All Families and Community Members to join us in recognition of this National Event!

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We Support *Lights On Afterschool!*...

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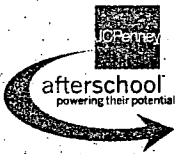
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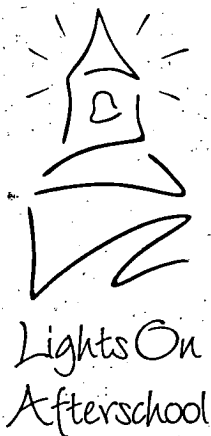


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List represents national supporting organizations as of 8/7/02.



Afterschool Facts

The Need: Youth today need safe, stimulating places to go after school.

- The parents of more than 28 million school-age children work outside the home. (U.S. Department of Labor)
- At least 7 million and as many as 15 million “latchkey children” go to an empty house on any given afternoon. (U.S. Census Bureau, Urban Institute estimate, 2000)
- Children are more likely to be involved in crime, substance abuse and teenage pregnancy in the hours after school, particularly between 3 and 4 p.m. (National Center for Juvenile Justice, 1999)

Supply and Demand: There are not enough afterschool programs.

- Nearly two-thirds of voters report difficulty in finding quality, affordable programs. (Afterschool Alliance Poll, 2001)
- The amount of afterschool programs available today meets only half the demand among elementary and middle school parents. (National Opinion Research Center, August 1998)

The Benefits: Afterschool programs keep kids safe, help working families and improve academic achievement.

- Students in a statewide program in California improved their standardized test scores (SAT-9) in both reading and math by percentages almost twice that of other students. The afterschool participants also had better school attendance. (University of California Irvine, May 2001)
- Students who participate in extracurricular activities have better grades, feel greater attachment to school, have lower truancy rates and reach higher levels of achievement in college, as documented by a 17-year study that followed 1,800 6th graders in 10 Michigan schools through high school and college. (“Extra Benefits Tied to Extracurriculars,” Education Week, October 2000)
- Teens who do not participate in afterschool programs are nearly three times more likely to skip classes than teens who do participate. They are also three times more likely to use marijuana or other drugs, and they are more likely to drink alcohol, smoke cigarettes and engage in sexual activity. (YMCA of the USA, March 2001)
- Incidents of vandalism, stealing, violent acts and arrests were 50% lower among students in afterschool programs in 12 high-risk California communities. (Fight Crime: Invest in Kids California, August 2001)

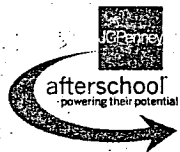
Who Supports Afterschool Programs?

- More than nine in ten Americans think children need organized activities or a program to go to after school where they have learning opportunities. (Afterschool Alliance Poll, July 2001)
- Almost nine in ten voters support funding for quality afterschool programs in low-income neighborhoods as an important aspect of government programs like welfare reform. (David and Lucile Packard Foundation Poll of Public Views on Welfare Reform and Children in the Current Economy, February 2002)
- Voters want government to invest in afterschool programs. (Afterschool Alliance Poll, July 2001)

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Lights On Afterschool! is the only nationwide event calling attention to afterschool programs and their important role in the lives of children, families and communities. Afterschool programs keep kids safe, help working families and improve academic achievement.

On October 10, *Lights On Afterschool!* will rally community support for afterschool by shining the spotlight on programs at over 5,000 sites across the country. Parents, community and business leaders, elected officials, and the media will have an opportunity to see first-hand the benefits afterschool programs provide.

Lights On Afterschool! is a project of the Afterschool Alliance, a nonprofit organization dedicated to ensuring that all children have access to afterschool programs by 2010. The Alliance is proud to be supported in our work by JCPenney Afterschool, *Lights On Afterschool!* National Presenting Sponsor. The Alliance also salutes the many *Lights On Afterschool!* partners and programs, in particular the 21st Century Community Learning Centers and JCPenney Afterschool partners: 4-H, Boys & Girls Clubs of America, Junior Achievement and the YMCA of the USA. Their participation makes *Lights On Afterschool!* a success.

Goals

- To raise national and local awareness of the importance of afterschool programs;
- To increase the amount of funding and resources available to afterschool programs;
- To support existing afterschool programs in their efforts to expand or improve, and to help launch new afterschool programs in areas of the country where the lights are off;
- To ensure all children have access to quality, affordable afterschool programs by 2010.

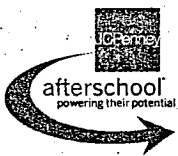
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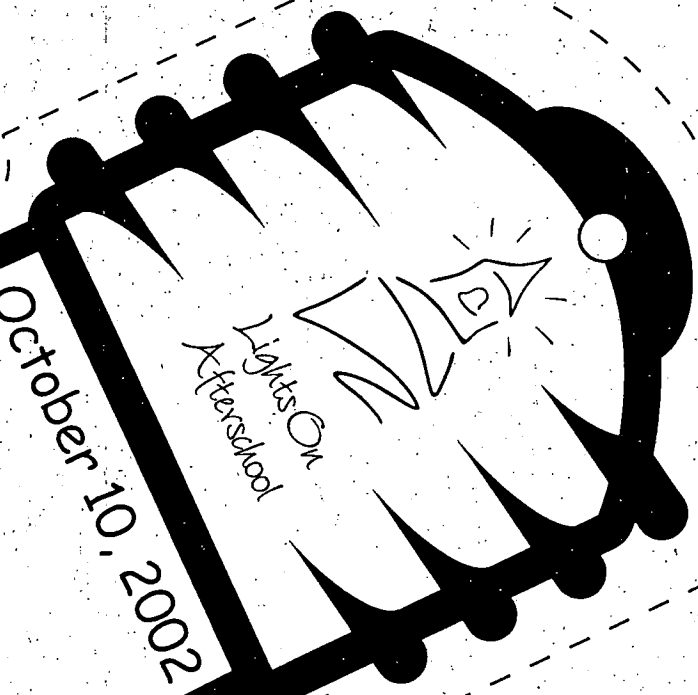
- *Lights On Afterschool!* was launched in October 2000 by the Afterschool Alliance. The event was celebrated by more than 1,200 communities nationwide and supported by more than a dozen national partners.
- The event grew in 2001 to more than 3,600 events across the nation, with 60 national partners.
- Actor and youth advocate Arnold Schwarzenegger is serving as Chair of *Lights On Afterschool!*, a role he first accepted in 2001.
- *Lights On Afterschool!* has enjoyed the support of our partner, JCPenney Afterschool, since the inception of the event in 2000. For more information, visit www.jcpenny.com/afterschool.

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Lights On Afterschool! Light Bulb Art

In response to sites' request for a tangible, simple symbol to use at events, we have enclosed a reproducible light bulb created just for *Lights On Afterschool!* We encourage you to use the light bulbs at your event and afterwards to create an eye-catching visual to convey the energy of afterschool in your community.

Last year we received over 15,000 light bulbs from afterschool programs across the country. Some had pictures, stories, poems, artwork or just addresses, but each conveyed a powerful message about the importance of afterschool. We strung these light bulbs up in the halls of Congress to show our nation's decision-makers that afterschool is making a difference in the lives of children, families and communities everywhere.

Help us send a powerful message about the need for afterschool again this year. Copy the bulbs and let your community get creative. Turn the completed bulbs into a string of afterschool lights, use them to cover the walls of your hallway, or display them as a colorful backdrop for kids' presentations during *Lights On Afterschool!* Follow these three easy steps:

1 Print a large quantity of the light bulbs for your students and/or event participants. Distribute the bulbs at your event and have attendees and students fill out the printed side with their names. Let them write a story or decorate the back of the light bulb. You can post them as they are completed. Or, decorate them before your event and have them on display when you open your doors for *Lights On Afterschool!*

2 After the event, use the light bulbs as a display at your program, or take them to your city hall, capitol buildings or policy makers' offices to show elected officials how much their communities value afterschool programs. Use the artwork as an opportunity to talk about how programs keep kids safe, help working families, and improve students' academic achievement, and the need for more resources for afterschool.

3 Send your light bulbs to the Afterschool Alliance when you are done! We want to gather bulbs from events across the country and share them with national and state leaders to ensure that our decision-makers know that afterschool is making a difference in the lives of children, families and communities everywhere. If we meet our goal of 5,000 sites this year, we could deliver more than 500,000 bright lights for afterschool to the halls of Congress. Help us by sending your completed light bulbs to:

Lights On Afterschool!

2121 K Street, NW

Suite 800

Washington, DC 20037

Check our website at www.afterschoolalliance.org for more ideas on how to use the light bulb art to capture the energy of afterschool in your community.

Light bulb art is on reverse side.

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