

# Connecticut After School Grants

**INVEST  
IN  
AFTER  
SCHOOL**

- The After School Grant Program established in 2005 now serves over 5,000 kids grades K-12 at 61 sites in 27 Connecticut cities and towns.
- Evaluation results show significant CMT test score improvements in math and reading for the children who attend.

## **After school programs keep kids safe,**

- Juvenile crime is greatest from 3 pm to 6 pm in the hours afterschool while parents are at work.
- Children who participate in afterschool programs are less likely to use drugs, become teen parents, or become victims or perpetrators of crime.

## **Inspire learning,**

- Children participating in afterschool programs are more likely to stay in school, improve academic achievement, and graduate.

## **Help working families and**

- The \$4.5 million After School Grant funding helps almost 5,000 working families find affordable, safe after school programs for their school-aged children.
- Working parents would miss an average of eight days per year due to lack of afterschool care if this program did not exist.

## **Support the economy.**

- The programs in turn employ upwards of 700 after school professionals.
- An estimated 7,500 parents are able to keep their jobs and be more productive at work because of these after school programs.