

Afterschool Is a Workforce Solution for North Carolina

Afterschool and summer learning programs help

YOUTH BUILD SKILLS EMPLOYERS NEED and SUPPORT OUR WORKING FAMILIES.

Skills employers need:

Teamwork

Critical Thinking

Communication

Leadership



NC parents say afterschool helps youth:

88%

Engage in real-life and off screens

86%

Build responsible decision-making and social skills

84%

Gain teamwork, critical thinking and leadership skills

74%

Get excited about learning

It's Good Business to Invest in Afterschool

When workers have reliable care for their kids, they can be more productive on the job—and businesses benefit.

Lack of afterschool costs U.S. businesses up to



\$300 Billion

A YEAR IN LOST PRODUCTIVITY

Every \$1 invested in afterschool saves at least \$3 by:



kids' earning potential



kids' performance at school



crime and juvenile delinquency



Afterschool Empowers Families

NC parents say their child's afterschool program:

92%

helps them keep their job

85%

boosts their productivity at work

9 IN 10 voters say afterschool:



strengthens families' economic well-being



helps parents work



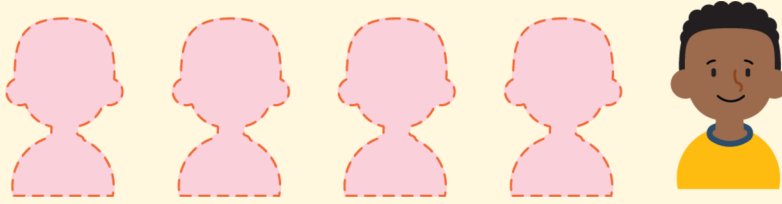
allows parents to provide for their families

North Carolina Needs More Afterschool

STATEWIDE, MORE THAN

660,000 students

CAN'T ACCESS AN AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM.



THAT'S **4 in 5** YOUTH WHO ARE MISSING OUT.

Why are NC families missing out?

88%

Too expensive



86%

Lack of programs



84%

Lack safe transportation



NC parents want afterschool funded!

86%

support public funding for afterschool, with strong support across political parties:



90%

Democrats



83%

Republicans

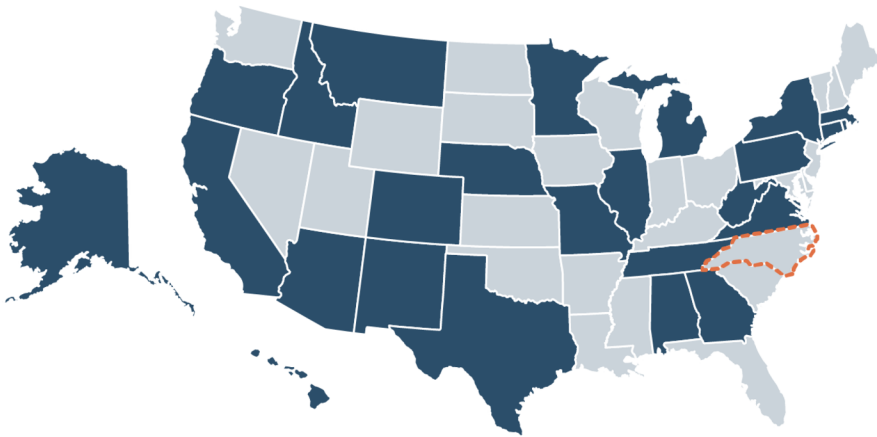


90%

Independents

Putting Afterschool to Work in North Carolina

Investing in afterschool will help address our state's workforce challenges today and strengthen our future workforce.



DID YOU KNOW?

27 states, including Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee and Pennsylvania, have dedicated funding streams for afterschool at the state level.

By creating a dedicated funding stream, North Carolina can increase access to these vital programs and maximize their benefits for youth, families and businesses across the state.

Learn more about afterschool in our state: ncafterschool.org/2025-america-after-3pm

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