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Letter From the Executive Director

Dear BOOSTers,

Welcome to the first edition of the monthly BOOST Collaborative newsletter!

As we continue to expand out services to you, we look forward to learning more about your programs and highlighting the great work you are doing. In the midst of economic turbulence, we are here to work together to help you grow change.

The monthly BOOST Collaborative newsletter will contain a broad array of topics including program highlights from around the country, funding opportunities, resources to support program improvement, the latest research, and other pertinent information to help you grown and create change. If there is something you need to enhance the quality of your program and don't see it here, please email us and let us know!

Thanks you for all of the work you do to support children, youth, families and communities.

Tia Quinn
Executive Director
BOOST Collaborative

Program Highlight

New Healthy Behaviors Resource Available

A new resource, *Changing Lives, Saving Lives: A Step-by-Step Guide to Developing Exemplary Practices in Healthy Eating, Physical Activity and Food Security in Afterschool Programs*, is now available and can be downloaded at http://www.afterschoolsolutions.org. It was developed as part of the Center for Collaborative Solutions' Healthy Behaviors Initiative.

Meet The Team

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Find out who we are on our
[About Us](#) page!

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RESOURCES

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most comprehensive online
resource center for all types
of out-of-school time
programs? Covering
everything from academic
enrichment to behavior
management, and
community partnerships to
family support services, this
is the place to find what you
need.

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The guide is designed to help afterschool program and site directors, members of leadership teams and program partners systematically-and in an intentional way-strengthen their own nutrition, physical activity and food security practices using step-by-step guidance together with examples from ten afterschool programs across the state that have implemented the practices at an exemplary level. The six practices described in the guide will help programs change their environments and give children the knowledge, skills and motivation they need to make healthy choices. The user-friendly guide shares the remarkable changes experienced at the ten afterschool programs together with concrete examples of how they developed and strengthened their approaches, overcame obstacles and achieved their goals of improving the health of students, their families, the staff and their communities.

More information about the Healthy Behaviors Initiative is available at or by calling (916) 567-9911, ext 19.

BOOST Professional Development Calendar

What's coming up...

2010 Best of Out-of-School Time Conference

April 28 - May 1, 2008
Palm Springs, CA
www.boostconference.org

Join one of the nation's largest, most recognized and comprehensive conferences for after school and out-of-school time professionals. Set in a retreat-like atmosphere, this extraordinary event will rejuvenate your passion and boost your direction for quality programming. We invite you to experience the most invigorating blend of networking and teambuilding opportunities, exceptional workshop presenters to learn and grow with and the latest trends and research in out-of-school time programming. Connect with over 125 Exhibitors sharing the newest resources, products and services to enhance your programs. Have an opportunity to experience guest speakers, special events, and entertainment that will inspire you to create change. Meals and plenty of sunshine also included.

Ten Keys for Lasting Connections with Students
Presented by Chad Furlong of iTHINK School Assemblies

Follow Us

May 25, 2010
San Diego, CA
www.boostcollaborative.org/calendar

In this session participants will explore the ways in which youth leaders can connect with students for life change. Come and learn about the 10 significant steps towards inspiring today's young adults!

The Endless Summer - Camp Activities for Kids
June 2010
www.boostcollaborative.org/calendar

To register please contact Christine McKenna:
christine@boostcollaborative.org or 619-232-6678

BOOST Breakfast Club Featured Blog

The Importance of Being Intentional
-Tara Donahue, *Program Associate*
Learning Point Associates, Naperville, IL

"Sue, an afterschool staff member, races into the school at 2:30 p.m. She came from a school across town where she has been a substitute all day. Sue gives a hurried "hello" to the school administrative assistant as she signs in for the day. Now, Sue runs down to the cafeteria, grabs the snacks, gets the attendance sheets to put on the tables, and figures out what activities are going to be offered to students once they finish homework help and tutoring. She finds some crayons and butcher paper for "Arts & Crafts" and some basketballs for "Sports". The dismissal bell rings at 2:50 p.m. Within two minutes, students are already coming into the cafeteria..."

Read more by Tara Donahue

In The News

After School in the News
3/11/10 Quaker Chewy Teams Up with Afterschool Alliance and Miranda Cosgrove to Call Attention to the Importance of Afterschool Programs

3/16/10 Gang Violence: A National Crime Putting Many Youths Six Feet Under

3/23/10 All Toledo Public Schools 7th graders get free access to 6 YMCA facilities

3/25/10 Where the Littlest Composers Learn Composure

3/25/10 ICAN: It's no ordinary afterschool program

3/25/10 Schools could get big funding boost for nutrition, low-income kids

Tell Us What You Want to See

We are interested in highlighting promising practices and innovative programs.Have something that you wish we would share? Want to highlight your program or staff?

E-mail your thoughts to Kate.
kate@boostcollaborative.org

3/25/10 [A San Jacinto apartment complex offers an after-school program for tenants' children with help from a corporate grant](#)

3/29/10 [Dogs being trained to help teach kids to read in Catskill](#)

3/29/10 [Students Challenged To 'Crack the Code' in Time Warner Cable Program](#)

Funding Opportunities

Ordered by Deadline

4/22/10 [Support to the Gang Resistance Education And Training (G.R.E.A.T.) Program](#)
4/30/10 [Target Early Childhood Reading Grants](#)
4/30/10 [Target Arts Grants](#)
4/30/10 [Teams That Make a Difference](#)
5/1/10 [McCarthey Dressman Education Foundation](#)
5/2/10 [Planet Connect.org Get Green Video Contest](#)
5/14/10 [Migrant Education Even Start Family Literacy Program](#)
5/15/10 [Aetna Foundation Grants](#)
5/21/10 [Dollar General Literacy Grants](#)
6/1/10 [Samsung Active Learning Grants 2010](#)
6/1/10 [Parent Group of the Year 2010](#)
6/10/10 [Learning in the Arts for Children and Youth](#)
6/30/10 [Captain Planet Foundation Grant](#)
8/1/10 [Outstanding Young Educator Award](#)
8/1/10 [Toshiba American Foundation](#)
Rolling [Do Something: Seed Grant](#)
Rolling [Toyota Funding Opportunities](#)
Rolling [The Fender Music Foundation](#)