

This is Afterschool in New Hampshire



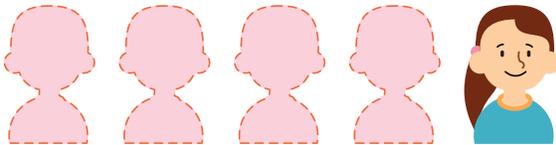
New Hampshire parents value afterschool programs for keeping kids safe and providing them opportunities to learn, connect, and build foundational life skills. Programs also help parents keep their jobs, boost productivity, and reduce stress. But too many families are missing out. In New Hampshire, more than 73,000 children whose parents want afterschool programs do not have access to them.

Demand for Afterschool Programs in New Hampshire is Enormous

Parents of **92,464** children want afterschool programs



4 in 5 New Hampshire children are missing out.



Afterschool Programs Support New Hampshire Children’s Learning and Development

New Hampshire parents give programs high marks for quality and for supporting their child with:



Afterschool Works in New Hampshire

A 2025 statewide evaluation of 21st CCLC programs by the New Hampshire Department of Education and Measurement Incorporated found that participation in programs helped:

- ▲ **Support academic growth:** 70% of students achieved a growth score above the 50th percentile in English language arts and math.
- ▲ **Reduce chronic absenteeism:** Nearly half (48%) of students who were chronically absent the previous school year improved their attendance to more than 90%. Overall, 77% of chronically absent students showed some improvement in attendance.
- ▲ **Improve school-day behavior:** There was a 75% reduction in the percentage of participants suspended from school for five or more days.

New Hampshire Parents Stand Behind Afterschool Programs

89%

Agree that all young people deserve access to quality afterschool and summer programs.



86%

Are in favor of public funding for afterschool programs. Support for public funding is also high across political affiliations.



Afterschool Programs Help Working Families and Strengthen the Economy

New Hampshire parents report that their child's afterschool program:

71%

Helps them keep their job



91%

Leads to less stress



91%

Boosts productivity



Additionally, research spanning several states shows that **every \$1 invested** in afterschool programs **saves at least \$3** by:



Increasing kids' earning potential as adults



Improving kids' performance at school



Reducing crime and juvenile delinquency



If there were not an afterschool program available, what, if any impact would it have on your family?

"I would have to work less, and then I would struggle even more to maintain the house on a single income."

— NEW HAMPSHIRE MOM

21st Century Community Learning Centers

The 21st Century Community Learning Centers initiative (21st CCLC) is the only federal funding dedicated to afterschool and summer programs, enabling states to award funds to local programs that meet community needs. 21st CCLC programs engage students in hands-on learning activities aimed at supporting their academic growth, provide a variety of enrichment activities to complement school-day learning, and offer educational and support services to the families of participating children.

IN NEW HAMPSHIRE:

2,750

children are served by a 21st CCLC program

53

communities served

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About the Afterschool Alliance

The Afterschool Alliance is working to ensure that all children and youth have access to quality afterschool programs. Learn more at: www.afterschoolalliance.org



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