



Afterschool Progress Report and Consumer Guide: Hawaii How Hawaii is Helping to Keep the Lights on After School

Afterschool in Hawaii

Even before afterschool was a hot policy issue at the national level, Hawaii was providing state support for afterschool. As a result, Hawaii currently has strong participation numbers, but unfortunately they are on the decline. This is not surprising given state budget cuts that have affected nearly all aspects of life for Hawaii residents. Afterschool funding has faced serious cuts and it shows in the decreased rates of participation and increased demand. While Hawaii still leads the nation in afterschool participation, there has been no recent progress and the state budget situation makes it unlikely that new funding will be available to help Hawaii retain its leadership on afterschool.



Growth in Afterschool Participation

For more on afterschool availability in Hawaii check out [Hawaii After 3PM](#).

| Hawaii | 2004 | 2009 |
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| Percentage of Kids in Afterschool Programs | 35% | 28% |
| Percentage of Kids in Self Care | 15% | 33% |
| Percentage of Parents Extremely/Somewhat Satisfied with Afterschool Program | 100% | 93% |
| Percentage of Kids Who Would Participate if an Afterschool Program were Available | 20% | 39% |
| Percentage of Kids in Summer Learning Programs | -- | 39% |

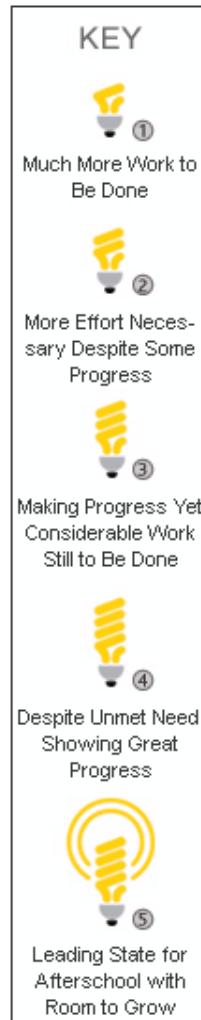
Based on the FY2011 funding level and an average per student cost of \$1000, 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) can serve 5,654 students in Hawaii. However, that is only a small fraction of the 65,943 kids in Hawaii who are eligible to participate in a 21st CCLC program, if more funding were available.



Developments in State Afterschool Policy and Funding

For an explanation of specific policy activities in Hawaii check out "State Policy and Funding" on the [Afterschool in Hawaii webpage](#).

- State Offices Administering 21st Century Community Learning Center and Child Care Development Fund Federal Grants
- Current Law that Directly Supports Afterschool Programs
- State Level Councils, Studies, Pilots or Legislative Activity Intended to Advance Afterschool
- Current State Funding for Afterschool Programming
- An Initiative Promoting Quality Afterschool Programming



"Work remains to be done toward placing new, qualified teachers in our schools, repairing and replacing crumbling facilities, and providing affordable, quality child care and afterschool opportunities."

- Daniel Akaka, U.S. Senate



Advancements in Afterschool Leadership

To see more partners leading the fight for afterschool in Hawaii check out [Afterschool for All](#).

- Governor Proclamation Supporting *Lights On Afterschool* in 2010
- Statewide Afterschool Network
- Governor's/State Agency Taskforce
- A Member of the U.S. House of Representatives in the House Afterschool Caucus
- A Member of the U.S. Senate in the Senate Afterschool Caucus

Afterschool Champions

- Michael Broderick, President & CEO of YMCA of Honolulu
- Cheryl Lupenui, Founder and Principal at The Leader Project
- State Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland

Afterschool Caucus Member(s):

Sen. Daniel K. Akaka



Consumer Guide: Hawaii

For many adults in America, thinking about the hours after the school day ends conjures up memories of doing homework, playing pick-up basketball, taking guitar or dance lessons or going home to Mom and a snack. But for millions of children today, those images are nothing like their reality. In fact, each day in America, more than 15 million children—some as young as 5 years old—are without supervision at home or on the streets.

The Afterschool Alliance has a host of resources that can help ensure that your child can enjoy the safe environment and proven academic and social gains that afterschool programs can afford.

- The [How to Find an Afterschool Program Guide](#) offers tips to find the best afterschool options for your child.
- The Afterschool Alliance has resources that describe [what to look for in a quality afterschool program](#) with a list of quality characteristics for programs serving each age group.
- For the ambitious parent or community member, the Afterschool Alliance offers a guide on [How to Start an Afterschool Program](#) including links to various best practices, funding resources and child care guidelines.
- Hawaii has a host of resources to support families, program staff and employers in their pursuit of quality afterschool programs that are both available and affordable:
 - [Hawaii After-school All Stars](#)
 - [Hawaii Dept. of Education - A+ Program](#)
 - [Child Care Connection - Hawaii](#)

What You Can Do to Support Afterschool in Your State:



Donate: The store's [pennies from heaven](#) campaign allows jcpenney shoppers to roundup their purchases to the nearest whole dollar, donating the difference to support afterschool efforts.



Join the Afterschool Alliance's *Lights On Afterschool* celebration. More than 13 programs in Hawaii participated in [Lights On Afterschool](#) in 2010. Check out *Lights On Afterschool* to find out how to become involved and see which programs are participating in your area.



Sign On: Currently, 20 people in Hawaii have signed the Afterschool Alliance [petition to preserve funding for afterschool programs](#). Join them to promote [afterschool for all](#).



Write to your Members of Congress and [tell them why afterschool is a crucial resource](#) to the children in your community.

Methodology:

The 2011 State-by-State Progress Reports and Consumer Guides are sponsored by jcpenney. Scores for the Progress Reports were devised using a range of factors falling under three major categories: Growth in Afterschool Participation, Developments in State Afterschool Policy and Funding and Advancements in State Afterschool Leadership. Data from the America After 3PM survey, also sponsored by jcpenney, was used in assessing the afterschool participation portion of the Progress Reports. Between March and May 2009, 29,754 parents/guardians were surveyed for America After 3PM. The remainder of the Progress Reports and Consumer Guides were created utilizing up to date policy and leadership developments obtained from afterschool leaders in the states, most notably the forty statewide afterschool networks. The 2011 State-by-State Progress Reports and Consumer Guides reflect the data and resources available at the time of their release in October 2011.

For more information on the 2011 State-by-State Progress Reports and Consumer Guides visit: afterschoolalliance.org/Progress-Reports-Main.cfm.