

# **2018 Representative Sample of Local Events**

#### Alabama

**Birmingham, Alabama:** Afterschool Ambassador Erika Rucker, BREAD Center, 205-796-0550, breadee@bellsouth.net and Afterschool Ambassador Michael Wilson, Glen Iris Elementary School, 205-231-7440, mwilson@bhm.k12.al.us

The BREAD Center will hold *Lights On Afterschool* celebrations at each of its five sites in Birmingham. Norwood Elementary School will host the annual *Lights On Afterschool* event on October 25th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. Students will present a program that raises awareness of the dangers of being a bully and the benefits of being a friend. Students will sing and dance as well create their own anti-bully campaign, to be posted in each classroom to remind students to be kind. As many as 100 people may attend this event. Glen Iris Elementary will host a Halloween STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) event with Halloween-themed activity stations. Other sites will host *Lights On Afterschool* open houses throughout October.

**New Hope, Alabama:** Afterschool Ambassador Andrea Bridges, The CARE Center, 256-723-2273, <a href="mailto:afmbridges@hotmail.com">afmbridges@hotmail.com</a>

The CARE Center's three 21st Century Community Learning Center sites will join together to host a *Lights On Afterschool* event titled "Dinner and a Movie Under the Lights" on October 25th. It will take place on the New Hope High School football field where archery teams and robotics teams will have an exhibition, show choirs will perform, and cooking clubs will prepare different courses of the dinner and provide an informative presentation on the purpose of each part of the meal and its healthy attributes. Participants will watch a movie from the 50-yard line. State Representative Ritchie Whorton, U.S. Senator Doug Jones and U.S. Senator Richard Shelby were invited.

**Satsuma, Alabama:** Tiphani Clearman, Story Time Special, 251-679-0700, splibdir@bellsouth.net

The Satsuma Public Library will host the Story Time Special afterschool program and the Teen Friend's Tutoring Program on October 25th from 3:00 to 5:00 PM for *Lights On Afterschool*. Students are invited to dress as their favorite characters and join the fun. There will be special guest appearances by storybook characters. Light refreshments will be served.

### Alaska

**Anchorage, Alaska:** Erin Moriearty, Alaskan Native Cultural Charter School, 907-742-0127, moriearty erin@asdk12.org

On October 10th from 6:00 to 7:30 PM, the Alaskan Native Cultural Charter School celebrated *Lights On Afterschool* with a Family Night. There were math and cultural activities for students and families, including addition BINGO, estimation station, finger braiding, shaving cream math and more. After the activities, attendees convened for short speeches from the school principal, the parent/teacher organization, Title 1 program leaders, and the afterschool program coordinator. The city offered free flu shots at the event, which included more than 150 people.

**Kenai, Alaska:** Afterschool Ambassador Heather Schloeman and Shanette Wik, Boys & Girls Clubs of the Kenai Peninsula, 907/283-2682, <a href="mailto:hschloeman@positiveplaceforkids.com">hschloeman@positiveplaceforkids.com</a>, <a href="mailto:swik@positiveplaceforkids.com">swik@positiveplaceforkids.com</a>,

On October 25th from 5:30 to 7:00 PM, the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Kenai Peninsula will host an open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. There will be a spaghetti dinner, informational booths, and presentations. In addition, there will be STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities, arts-and-crafts, and ice cream making for the children and community members. The school superintendent and local officials may attend. As many as 200 people are expected.

#### **Arizona**

**Phoenix, Arizona:** Afterschool Ambassador Eva Harlow, Deer Valley Unified School District, 602-501-1188, Eva.Harlow@dvusd.org

On October 25th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM, Deer Valley Unified School District will partner with Community Education Vendor Enrichment classes and 21st Century Community Learning Centers to celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*. Each of the 23 participating Deer Valley Unified School District afterschool programs will host an open house to showcase the activities students are able to participate in every day. Each site will have *Lights On Afterschool* lightbulbs available to decorate, a circuitry center for students to learn about conducting light, and group games and team-building activities. These events will also provide an opportunity for families to

contribute to a canned food drive that is taking place during October. The Governing Board and Superintendent of Schools may attend.

**Tempe, Arizona:** Afterschool Ambassador Jeremy King, Kid Zone Enrichment Program, 480-350-5487 jeremy king@tempe.gov

Kid Zone Enrichment Program in Tempe, Arizona will host *Lights On Afterschool* celebrations on Thursday, October 25th at all 14 of its afterschool sites. Each event will feature a glow party at which students will crack glow sticks to shine a light on afterschool and participate in hands-on learning activities. Activities include Elephant Toothpaste STEM, Make-Your-Own Apple Graham Cheesecake, *Catch*® Active Games and Life-Sized Literacy. Tempe Mayor Mark Mitchell, Tempe city council members, and school district representatives will attend a *Lights On Afterschool* event at Ward Traditional Academy at 4:00 PM.

**Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Tucson, Arizona:** Jonika Rucker, Davis-Monthan Air Force Base Youth Programs, 520-228-8844, jonika.rucker.1@us.af.mil

For *Lights On Afterschool*, Davis-Monthan Youth Programs in Tucson will have an open house and haunted gym Halloween celebration on October 25th from 3:00 to 5:00 PM. There will be tours of the afterschool program, arts-and-crafts, and a mini-haunted gym for children and families. There will also be a free membership raffle. Local media may attend. Approximately 75 people are expected.

**Yuma, Arizona:** Hannah Stewart, Wellton Branch Library, 928-373-6494, <a href="mailto:hannah.stewart@yumalibrary.org">hannah.stewart@yumalibrary.org</a>

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Wellton Branch Library will hold an event on October 25th. The fun, educational activities for students will include building Bristlebot Robots to promote science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) education.

#### Arkansas

**Eureka Springs, Arkansas:** April Griffith, Eureka Springs Community Center, 479-239-0029, agriffith@eurekalibrary.org

The Eureka Springs Community Center, in partnership with the Eureka Springs Carnegie Public Library, will host a carnival on October 25th from 5:30 to 7:30 PM for *Lights On Afterschool*. There will be an inflatable planetarium, with presentations by a student outreach group from the University of Arkansas. There will also be dance performances from local dance troupes, a karate demonstration from Groves Karate studio, a collective painting activity, and booths with carnival games. Mayor Butch Berry will emcee the event and issue a proclamation about the afterschool program. Approximately 200 people are expected.

**Fayetteville, Arkansas:** Glenda Deffebaugh, Donald W. Reynolds Boys & Girls Club of Fayetteville, 479-224-9242, <a href="mailto:glenda@fayettevillekids.org">glenda@fayettevillekids.org</a>

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Donald W. Reynolds Boys & Girls Club of Fayetteville will have a rally on October 25th from 4:30 to 5:30 PM. This event will take place at the Boys & Girls Club facility and at 11 schools in the area. There will be a balloon release, organized games and refreshments. The mayor, school superintendent, and school principals may attend. More than 600 people are expected in total.

**Springdale, Arkansas:** Afterschool Ambassador Ben Rediske and Samantha Harp, Camp War Eagle SOAR, 616-520-5170, <a href="mailto:samantha@campwareagle.org">samantha@campwareagle.org</a>

On October 16th from 4:00 to 5:30 PM, Camp War Eagle SOAR (service, opportunity, academics, recreation) hosted a *Lights On Afterschool* event featuring Afterschool Alliance Executive Director Jodi Grant. Students and families were invited to the Jones Center for Families in Springdale for a tour of the facilities, student performances and more. Students from the afterschool program set up booths that showcased the clubs they have been participating in through the program. The principle of Jones Elementary spoke at the event and representatives from the Arkansas Department of Education joined the event. Approximately 200 people attended and the event was live-streamed on social media for those who could not be there in person.

**Springdale, Arkansas**: Afterschool Ambassador Diana Gonzales Worthen, OneCommunity, 479-310-9027, info@onecommunityar.org

On November 3<sup>rd</sup> from 11:30 AM to 5 PM, OneCommunity will host ArkanSalsa Fest to celebrate OneCommunity Reads, UnaComunidad Levendo, and Lights On Afterschool. The festival kicks off with a proclamation from the mayor and a parade with top summer readers and car show participants. The Feed Your Brain/Lights On Afterschool Kids Zone will feature performances, loteria, cakewalk, face-painting, book giveaways, kid IDs from the police department and Fire Safety House Plan, and smoke detector giveaways from the fire department. Afterschool partners -- including the Springdale Public Library; Big Brothers, Big Sisters; Girl Scouts Diamonds of AR,OK, TX; Grover Washington Carver National Park; CASA of NWA; Camp War Eagle; and Scott Family Amazeum -- will provide information. The festival includes a Health and Wellness Fair with dental awareness activities from Community Clinic, Zumba and Salsa dance lessons, and a tasting salsa contest with entries from local restaurants. The College and Career Fair includes the University of Arkansas, Northwest Arkansas Community College, Northwest Technical Institute, and Harding University. Live music, food vendors, area non-profits, local businesses and artisans will highlight their skills and services. Proceeds benefit OneCommunity's grade-level reading, parent leadership, afterschool/summer and scholarship programs. The festival is free thanks to local and in-kind sponsors.

#### California

Chino, California: Nancy Luna, Dickson Elementary School Soar Afterschool Program, 909-664-3447, Nancy.luna@cityofchino.org

On October 25th, the Dickson Elementary Soar Afterschool Program will host an open house for *Lights On Afterschool* from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. The theme of the event is "Traveling Across the USA." Students will make traveling bags which they will distribute to parents when they visit the classroom. Program activities will be showcased, and some 75 parents are expected.

**Colton, California:** Shominique White, Think Together at Woodrow Wilson Elementary, 310-658-8087, wilsones.lusd@thinktogether.org

For *Lights On Afterschool*, Think Together at Woodrow Wilson Elementary will host an open house on October 25th from 4:00 to 5:00 PM. It will be hosted by two seventh-grade students who are alumni of the program. Speakers will include Wilson Elementary's principal and assistant principal. The event will also celebrate cultural diversity within the community with a series of dance performances titled PRIDE. California After School Education and Safety (ASES) Program Grant Manager Ron Perez will attend, and State Senator Connie Leyva may attend.

**Hayward, California,** Kristal Brister, Hayward Unified School District, 510-935-1082, kbrister@husd.us

Youth Enrichment Programs (YEP) at 24 schools in the Hayward Unified School District will host health and wellness events on October 25th from 3:00 to 6:00 PM for *Lights On Afterschool*. Bret Harte Middle School will hold a resource fair and carnival at which families will participate in games, student-led activities, and a YEP gallery walk, as well as check out tables that provide community resources. This fair will promote healthy family relationships, help identify healthy food choices, and promote socio-emotional health in the community. At Cherryland Elementary School, parents and children will complete an art project together while learning about the benefits of healthy food choices. They will also learn how dance can help build physical strength. A celebration at Fairview Elementary School will include an obstacle course, a shuttle run race, a healthy snack, yoga and meditation. Hayward High School will host a popcorn social with a discussion about Seasonal Affective Disorder. Students at Palma Ceia Elementary School will make their own healthy Halloween treats. At Winston Middle School, students will design and color class murals that depict the importance of afterschool programs in their lives. In total, more than 2,500 students will participate in events at 24 sites.

Naval Air Station Lemoore, Lemoore, California: Jeanette Hernandez, Naval Air Station (NAS) Lemoore Youth Program, 559-998-4344, jeanette.hernandezca@navy.mil
On October 26th, the Naval Air Station Lemoore Youth Program will host a Halloween festival for *Lights On Afterschool* from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. It will include a "not so scary" haunted house, tic tac toe, checkers, glow-in-the-dark bowling, giant Connect Four, Cornhole and giant Jenga. Participants will decorate cookies, compete in a pie eating contest and participate in a cake walk as part of the 4-H Cooking Club and Boys & Girl Clubs of America (BGCA) Life Skills program. "Triple Play for BGCA" activities will include sack races, health and fitness education, speed and agility clinics and bean bag toss games. The 4-H Art Club and BGCA Performing Arts Club will host a family photo booth, face painting and goody bag decorating. There will also be a pumpkin carving contest, and families will visit a pumpkin patch. Local military community leaders will attend. Some 1,000 people are expected.

**Los Molinos, California:** Diane Reynolds, SERRF Expanded Learning Program, 530-527-5162, dreynolds@tehamaschools.org

To celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*, the SERRF Expanded Learning Program will host open houses at more than 20 sites from 4:00 to 5:30 PM on October 25th. At each site, students in kindergarten through 8th grade will receive "safari maps" that guide them through safari-themed literacy, STEM (science, technology, engineering and math), social-emotional learning and exercise activities. Members of the Los Molinos city council, police department, and fire department may attend.

Oxnard, California: Elsie Lopez, Oxnard Scholars Afterschool Program, 805-814-8311, elopez-asp@oxnardsd.org

The Oxnard Scholars Afterschool program will host an open house for *Lights On Afterschool* on October 24th from 5:30 to 6:30 PM at Christa McAuliffe Elementary School. The theme will be "We Belong" and the event will showcase art from around the world. Students will display artwork from India, China, Japan and Egypt including carp kites, Chinese dragons, death masks and elephant drawings. The event will also showcase literacy activities, and healthy yogurt parfaits will be served. Parents will fill out lightbulbs explaining why afterschool is important to them and how it makes a difference for their children. Approximately 50 students and their families are expected.

**Perris, California:** Karen Sandoval, Think Together at Palms Elementary, 951-588-3524, palmses.pesd@thinktogether.org

On October 25th, Think Together at Palms Elementary will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with an open house from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. Students will showcase STEM activities using Legos, and the cooking club will bake rose apple pastries to showcase their Harvest of the Month program.

The event will conclude with students displaying field science club rocket bottles. State Assembly Member Jose Media may attend.

**Perris, California:** Jalisa Randle, Think Together at Perris High School, 951-488-5367, perrishs.puhsd@thinktogether.org

In celebration of *Lights On Afterschool*, the Perris High School Think Together Culinary Club will host its fifth annual "Cooking Your Way to College" event from 3:30 to 5 PM on October 25th. Students in the Think Together afterschool program will participate in rotations of dorm-room-style cooking activities. The Culinary Club students, who are working toward their Food Handlers Certification Cards after school, will promote healthy lifestyles by preparing a balanced meal using the USDA My Plate nutrition resource. The event will also feature a guest speaker and a college workshop. The mayor of Perris, district officials and school administrators may attend. As many as 60 people are expected.

**Redlands, California:** Conrad Calbes, Redlands Community Center, 909-798-7572, ccalbes@cityofredlands.org

The Redlands Community Center will host an open house and Halloween carnival to celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* on October 26th from 6:00 to 9:00 PM titled "Unity Fest." The event will feature a press conference, a talent show, music, food, a costume contest, face painting, games, pumpkin decorating, raffles and more. Redlands city council members, California state senators and assembly members, and the District Attorney may attend. Some 100 to 200 people are expected.

**Sacramento, California:** Dominique Cordero, Peter Burnett Elementary ASES, 916-585-1824, <a href="mailto:dominique@sccsc.org">dominique@sccsc.org</a>

The Peter Burnett Elementary ASES afterschool program will host a health and wellness celebration on October 25th from 4:45 to 5:45 PM for *Lights On Afterschool*. The event will feature an obstacle course, a smoothie stand, and a photo booth. As many as 90 children and their families are expected.

**Sacramento, California:** Jen Taylor, California Department of Education, jetaylor@cde.ca.gov On October 25th from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM, the Expanded Learning Division of the California Department of Education will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* at the California State Capitol. The event will include a youth performance, and awards will be presented to state, county and regional leaders. Afterschool Alliance Executive Director Jodi Grant will be among the speakers.

**San Francisco, California:** Leslie Einhorn, CASA (Children's After School Arts), 415-652-6263, Leslie@casasf.org

CASA (Children's After School Arts) will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with an event titled "Pizza! Pajamas! Possibilities!" on October 25th from 5:30 to 8:00 PM at the Rooftop School. It will feature a screening of CASA's 2018 spring musical, titled 'Mission Impossible.' This original musical starred 200 kindergarten – 5<sup>th</sup> graders and was developed by CASA kids in collaboration with CASA's team of artist educators. The story follows a group of middle school students fighting to change the name of their school because they don't support the political beliefs of its namesake. Families are invited to come in pajamas and bring sleeping bags. A discussion about changing the name of Rooftop School's Burnett Campus will follow the screening.

**San Francisco, California:** Marquis Engle, Up On Top After School and Summer Program, 415-225-6558, Marquis@Upontop.org

In celebration of *Lights On Afterschool*, the Up On Top After School and Summer Program will host a Halloween party on October 25th from 3:30 to 5:30 PM. It will feature pumpkin carving, caramel apples from scratch, magic potions, and a haunted house. 100 people are expected.

San José, California: Mara Wold, Region 5 Expanded Learning Partnerships, 408-313-6059, <a href="mailto:mwold@montereycoe.org">mwold@montereycoe.org</a>

The Santa Clara County After School Collaborative will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with a "Breakfast of Champions" on November 1st from 8:00 to 9:30 AM in the San José City Hall Rotunda. Outstanding individuals who have made important contributions to the field of expanded learning will be honored. The event will also feature a youth performance and a "parade of champions." Santa Clara County Superintendent of Schools Mary Ann Dewan and San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo will be among the speakers. Afterschool Ambassador John Poch, executive director of the San Jose Sports Authority and former executive director of San Jose After-School All-Stars, will emcee the event.

**San José, California:** Peter Reyes, Think Together at Horace Mann Elementary, 408-874-5632, mannes.sjusd@thinktogether.org

For *Lights On Afterschool*, Think Together at Horace Mann Elementary will host a celebration on October 25th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. It will feature a presentation from staff followed by student testimonials and performances. The event will commence with the revealing of a student-created mural inspired by the book *Maybe Something Beautiful* by Isabel Campoy and Theresa Howell. State Senator Jim Beall may attend.

**Visalia, California:** Catherine Diaz, Future Unique Enthusiastic Leaders (FUEL) Expanded Learning Program, 559-967-3204, <a href="mailto:cdiazfuel@yahoo.com">cdiazfuel@yahoo.com</a>

On October 25th, the Future Unique Enthusiastic Leaders (FUEL) Expanded Learning Program will host its 2nd annual *Lights On Afterschool* Color Run from 5:00 to 6:00 PM. The event will

feature an opening ceremony led by the FUEL afterschool student leadership team. Speakers will highlight the importance of afterschool programs. Afterward, students will participate in a color run. Once each student has completed the run, students will participate in a final powder throw. Some 200 people are expected.

### Colorado

**Aurora, Colorado:** Marlee Wernke, Sagebrush Before and After School Program, mwernke2@cherrycreekschools.org

On October 26th from 4:30 to 6:00 PM, the Sagebrush Before and Afterschool Program will host an open house for children and parents in the community for *Lights On Afterschool*. There will be a game night in which children are encouraged to bring a family member and introduce them to their favorite games at the before and afterschool program. There will also be *Lights On* lightbulbs available for decorating, and the top three will receive prizes. The event will be held in the school cafeteria. Approximately 90 people may attend, including parents, students, teachers and program coordinators.

**Aurora, Colorado:** Denise Arrington, Arrowhead ECS (Extended Child Services) Program, 720-886-2853, darrington@cherrycreekschools.org

For *Lights On Afterschool*, Arrowhead ECS Program will host a Cardboard Challenge on October 25th from 3:15 to 6:15 PM. Students will be tasked with creating something out of the cardboard; parents are invited to come and enjoy cookies, veggies and apple cider while judging the creations. The three winners will be represented at the ECS Directors meeting in November. The event will be held in the school cafeteria. The school principal may attend. More than 50 people may participate.

**Denver, Colorado:** Kris Rollerson, Sun Valley Youth Center, 720-436-0886, info@sunvalleyyouthcenter.org

On October 25th from 4:00 to 7:00 PM, Sun Valley Youth Center will host an event for *Lights On Afterschool*. There will be snacks, recreational games, homework help and music. Approximately 70 students are expected.

**Denver, Colorado:** Ahmin Mouchilison, STEM for Change, 720-295-5723, info@stemforchange.org

On October 25th from 3:30 to 6:00 PM, STEM for Change in Denver, Colorado will hold a community open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. This celebration will include STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) family fun creations such as paper circuits, paper robots and scribbling machines. Students will participate in a "Pumpkin Quest" and engage in educated

conversations about diversity and equity in STEM careers. Approximately 50 people are expected.

**Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado Springs, Colorado:** Lisa Jerome, Peterson Air Force Base R. P. Lee Youth Center, 719-556-7220, lisa.jerome@us.af.mil

On October 25th from 3:00 to 6:00 PM, the Peterson Air Force Base Youth Center will partner with the 4-H Club for a *Lights On Afterschool* and 4-H National Youth Science Day event. There will be activities focused on science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), including coding with robots and bridge-making with Legos. A representative from Lockheed Martin will attend to share a coding activity with attendees. Students will also be able to cook, using simple recipes. At least 125 people are expected.

## **Connecticut**

**Enfield, Connecticut:** Melissa Cahill, Enfield Educational Resources for Children, 860-253-9935, mcahill@erfc.us

On November 1st from 4:00 to 6:00 PM, Enfield Educational Resources for Children will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* at the Enfield Square Mall. There will be a science presentation and a digital media performance by students at the middle school. In addition, there will be tables showcasing the curricula available at the afterschool program. There will be magician, and an arts-and-crafts area at which students decorate *Lights On Afterschool* lightbulbs. Members of the Board of Education, representatives from the state, and candidates for local office may attend. The Enfield Superintendent is emceeing the event. More than 250 people are expected.

**Farmington, Connecticut:** Connie Rogala, Farmington Extended Care & Learning, 860-404-0112, rogalac@fpsct.org

For *Lights On Afterschool*, Farmington Extended Care & Learning will host a carnival fundraiser on October 25th from 4:00 to 5:00 PM. Students and families are invited to enjoy a photo booth, bounce house, carnival games, cotton candy, and snow cones. The district supervisor, director, and school principal may attend. Approximately 80 people are expected.

**Groton, Connecticut:** Samantha Rullan, Navy Child and Youth Programs School Age Care, 860-448-6843, Samantha.Rullan@navy.mil

On October 25th from 4:30 to 6:00 PM, Navy Child and Youth Programs will hold an open house for parents and families for *Lights On Afterschool*. School administrators and teachers from all of the schools that the program serves are also invited. Classroom teachers will have activities prepared for families to participate in with their children. At least 50 people are expected.

**Hamden, Connecticut:** Susan Rubino, Hamden Youth Services, 203-777-2610, <a href="mailto:srubino@hamden.com">srubino@hamden.com</a>

On October 25th from 5:30 to 7:30, Hamden Youth Services will host an event for *Lights On Afterschool* at the Keefe Community Center. Family and friends are invited to enjoy performances from students in the afterschool program. Afterwards, a light dinner will be served. The mayor of Hamden has been invited. Approximately 100 people are expected.

New Britain, Connecticut: Anna Polkowski, YWCA of New Britain, 860-225-4681, apolkowski@ywcanewbritain.org

On October 30th from 6:30 to 8:30 PM, the YWCA of New Britain will hold an open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. Each afterschool group will what they have been working on in recent months. There will be an arts-and-crafts table, parent surveys, and representatives from community organizations. The mayor and members of the board of education may attend. More than 30 people are expected.

**New London, Connecticut:** Reona Dyess, The Center: A Drop-In Community Learning and Resource Center, Inc., 860.442.4466, <a href="mailto:rdyess@dropinlearningcenter.org">rdyess@dropinlearningcenter.org</a>
On October 25th from 5:30 to 7:30 PM, The Center: A Drop-In Community Learning and Resource Center, will host an open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. There will be dinner and dancing. A staff member from the mayor's office will attend. Approximately 150 people are expected.

**Southport, Connecticut:** Maria Cimina, Wakeman Boys & Girls Club, maria@wakemanclub.org

On October 25th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM, the Wakeman Boys & Girls Club will hold an afterschool party for *Lights On Afterschool*. Volunteers from the middle school, high school and the Exercise Science Club at Sacred Heart University will host a variety of Minute-to-Win-It competitions, athletic challenges and field games. There will be a cupcake-decorating station, face painting, and arts-and-crafts. Food will be available from a food truck for children and their families. Board members may attend. More than 150 people are expected.

**Torrington, Connecticut:** Amber Gianinni, EdAdvance School Age Programs at Vogel-Wetmore School, 860-630-0624, <a href="majorsappropsize1">sapvogel@edadvance.org</a>
On October 25th from 4:00 to 5:30 PM, EdAdvance School Age Programs at Vogel-Wetmore School will host a Halloween-themed event for *Lights On Afterschool* and Nickelodeon Worldwide Day of Play. Students, families, teachers and school administrators are invited for spooky snacks and Halloween-themed group games such as Zombie Tag, Ghost in the Graveyard, and Capture the Treats. The party will kick off with a group of older students

discussing the importance of afterschool programs. In partnership with the National Police Athletic and Activity League, students will make placemats to be delivered to patrons of Meals on Wheels. Local town officials may attend.

#### **Delaware**

**Dover, Delaware:** Natalie Way, Capital School District 21st Century Community Learning Centers, 302-0857-4234, Natalie.way@capital.k12.de.us

To celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*, Capital School District 21st Century Community Learning Centers will host an open house at the Dover Public Library from 4:15 to 6:15 PM. Mayor Robin Christiansen and Dover City Council Member David Anderson will read to students, and elementary program staff will facilitate a math station with fun math games, activities and worksheets. Students will create *Lights On* and Capital lapel pins as part of a 3-D printing art project. Middle school students will participate in improvisation and acting activities, and all students will sing "The World's Greatest." Delaware State University will offer a cooking class to parents. State Representative John Lynn may attend, and more than 200 people are expected.

**Newark, Delaware:** Angela Cicala, YMCA of Delaware – Western Family YMCA, 302-453-0123, acicala@ymcade.org

On October 25th, the YMCA of Delaware will hold *Lights On Afterschool* celebrations at each of its 11 sites from 5:00 to 6:00 PM. Each site will host an Open House with activities -- skits, open activity centers, walk-a-thons, science projects, and more. Children will color lightbulbs, which will be displayed at affiliated schools and YMCAs. As many as 500 students and families may participate.

## **District of Columbia**

**Washington, DC**: Dominique McComb, After School All Stars – DC, dominique.mccomb@afterschoolallstars.org

After-School All-Stars – DC will host an arts-oriented *Lights On Afterschool* event at its Leckie Elementary Campus site at 4201 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave SW. The celebration will include student singers performing solos and duets, dancers performing routines they've perfected in their afterschool dance enrichment class, and more. The event will run from 4:30 to 6:30 PM on October 24.

Washington, DC: Rianne Bonner, College Tribe, 510-384-5518, rianne@collegetribe.org

For *Lights On Afterschool*, College Tribe in Washington, DC will hold an event on October 25th from 2:30 to 4:30 PM. Students will create robots using Legos and take pictures modeling the *Lights On* lightbulb pose. In addition, they will discuss what they enjoy about STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) and about the afterschool program. Approximately 20 people are expected.

**Washington, DC:** Christie Brunson-Richie, Malcolm X Early Learners Afterschool Program, 443-415-5143, <a href="mailto:christie.brunson-ritchie@dc.gov">christie.brunson-ritchie@dc.gov</a>

For *Lights On Afterschool*, students in the Malcolm X Early Learners Afterschool Program at Malcolm X Elementary School in Washington, D.C. will present the play, The Very Hungry Caterpillar, for parents and families on October 23 from 4:30 – 5:30 PM. Approximately 60 people are expected.

**Washington, DC:** Lisa Kirkpatrick, Seaton Elementary School, lisa.kirkpatrick@dc.gov For *Lights On Afterschool*, Seaton Elementary School will host an open house on October 23rd from 3:30 to 6:00 PM. In addition to the open house, there will be a performance from the afterschool drama club. More than 150 people are expected.

### **Florida**

**Fort Lauderdale, Florida:** Jill Reipsa, United Community Options of Broward, Palm Beach, and MidCoast Counties, 954-315-4058, <a href="mailto:jillreipsa@uco-ucpsfl.org">jillreipsa@uco-ucpsfl.org</a>

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the United Community Options of Broward, Palm Beach, and MidCoast Counties will host an art show on October 25th from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. Student work will be displayed at the adult day training center. In addition, there will be dinner and raffle prizes. At least 75 people are expected.

**Jupiter, Florida:** Tuesday Merel, Jupiter Elementary Afterschool, 561-741-5330, tuesday.merel@palmbeachschools.org

The Jupiter Elementary Afterschool will host parents and students for a Glow-in-the-Dark Mini-Golf celebration for *Lights On Afterschool* on October 25th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. The event will be held in the school cafeteria.

**Miami, Florida:** Olive Cooper, Knowledge Builders of Florida. Inc., 305-234-1645, ocooper@kb-florida.org

For *Lights On Afterschool*, Knowledge Builders of Florida will hold an event on October 25th from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. Students will "Turns on the Lights" by releasing eco-friendly lanterns into the sky. The local library will be onsite to talk to parents and stakeholders about the resources

available in the district during non-afterschool hours. In addition, there will be an opportunity for students to be honored for perfect attendance for the month of September. The school principal, local commissioners and a state senator may attend. More than 50 people are expected.

Miami, Florida: Natalia Sol, After-School All-Stars South Florida, 305-332-9090, natalia@as-as.org

On October 25th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM, After-School All-Stars in Miami will host a Spectacular STEM Showcase for *Lights On Afterschool*. The event will begin with a welcome and STEM Program highlights. There will be hands-on demo stations with drones, robotics, virtual reality, and an interactive STEM truck. Participants will form a giant human *Lights On* lightbulb on the field, which will be filmed from the air with a drone. Cookies and lemonade will be served. This event is sponsored by Crown Castle, Florida Power & Light, Fox Sports, and T-Mobile.

**Orlando, Florida:** Maria Rincon-Dwyer, Orange County Public Schools School Age Services, 407-317-3383, maria.rincon-dwyer@ocps.net

For *Lights On Afterschool*, Orange County Public Schools will partner with the county and eight afterschool program services for an event on October 25th from 5:30 to 8:00 PM. There will be face painting, student performances, food, prizes, and a Battle of the Mascots. The Orlando Eye and most structures around the downtown area will be lit up in yellow. Approximately 1,000 people are expected.

**Tampa, Florida:** Alexis Thiessen, Dr. Carter G. Woodson PK-8 HOST Program, alexis.thiessen@sdhc.k12.fl.us

On October 25th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM, Dr. Carter G. Woodson PK-8 HOST Program in Tampa, Florida will hold an event for *Lights On Afterschool*. There will be a glow-in-the-dark celebration for students in the afterschool program. Pizza will be served. More than 30 people are expected.

# Georgia

**Atlanta, Georgia:** Rachel Alterman Wallack, VOX Teen Communications, 404-614-0040, rachel@voxatl.org

On October 24 from 6:00 to 7:30 PM, VOX Teen Communications will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with a teen-led "Sideline Seminar." Teens will present the results of a youth-led survey examining where metro-Atlanta teens spend out-of-school time, their top concerns, and how adults can best communicate with them. The event will feature an interactive data reveal, speak-out stations and youth-created media.

**Coffee County, Georgia**: Afterschool Ambassador Michael "Bull" Brown, 912-384-0222, Michael.Brown@coffee.k12.ga.us

The Boys & Girls Club of Coffee County Region will start its *Lights On Afterschool* event with a "No Bullying Magic" show at 4 PM on October 25th. At 5 PM, Georgia State Rep. Dominic Lariccia will speak, followed by Mayor Tony Paulk of Douglas, Georgia. After that, a number of parents and students will talk about what afterschool means to them. At 5:30, participants will enjoy carnival attractions, including a blow-up bounce house, slides, popcorn, hot dogs and shaved ice, and a "trick or trunk" space where sponsors will decorate automobile trunks, and kids will trick or treat. Local partners will give away candy and gifts.

**Columbus, Georgia:** Afterschool Ambassador Chris Bass and Samantha Jackson, Columbus Parks and Recreation Department's Community Schools Division, 706-326-4995, bassc@douglasvillega.gov

The Columbus Parks and Recreation Department's Community Schools Division will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* on October 25 at the Reese Road Leadership Academy's Afterschool Program with a STEM-focused event. The *Spookapalooza* program will include various science and technology projects featuring pumpkins, lights, volcanic explosions, and gooey slime. Students in the program will speak about the importance of afterschool in their lives. The event will run from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM.

**Dawson, Georgia:** Dorothy Tomlin, Positive Direction Youth Center, Inc., 229-995-6251, tomlinhl79@yahoo.com

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Positive Direction Youth Center will hold a festival and carnival on October 25th from 4:30 to 6:30 PM. The theme of the carnival will be "We Are the World." Booths and stations will be set up to spotlight different countries, and students will take part in fitness activities. Dawson's mayor, members of the fire and police departments, and other community leaders may attend. Speakers will highlight the importance of afterschool. More than 150 people are expected.

**Grovetown, Georgia:** Betty Kelley, Dream Academy, 706-650-5010, bkelley@connectcolumbia.org

The Dream Academy will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* on October 25<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 to 6:30 PM. At the event, Dream Academy students will operate the Dream Academy Restaurant and serve dinner. School board members, teachers, parents, local politicians and firefighters may attend. Some 40 to 50 people are expected.

**Hinesville, Georgia:** Tracy Jefferson, Dream Builders Learning Center, 912-312-2189, dreamblc2015@gmail.com

On October 25th from 4:00 to 7:00 PM, the Dream Builders Learning Center afterschool program in Midway, Georgia will partner with the Hinesville Public Library and Keep Liberty Beautiful for an open house and garden party on the library's campus. Hinesville Public Library will facilitate a science, technology, engineering, art and math (STEAM) program at which children make terrariums and discuss how things grow. Students will also tour and plant in the Keep Liberty Beautiful garden they have adopted, while discussing recycling and water conservation. Parents will discuss the importance and impact of afterschool programs with Dream Builders afterschool staff. The event will feature games and crafts, and child advocate Demmentrice Jefferson (Technical Assistance Coordinator of Child Care Resource & Referral of Southeast Georgia) will serve as the keynote speaker. Local school board members and United Way representatives may attend. Some 50 to 100 people are expected.

## <u>Hawaii</u>

Honolulu, Hawaii: Jowanna Lobendahn, After-School All-Stars Hawaii, 808-561-7851, <u>ilobendahn@asashawaii.org</u>

After-School All-Stars Hawaii at Washington Middle School will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* on October 23rd. Students will hang posters on the walls of their school and wave signs to promote awareness of afterschool programs. The event will feature a video of students from the After-School All-Stars National Youth Advisory Board talking about why After-School All-Stars and *Lights On Afterschool* are important.

**Kailua, Hawaii:** Jacque Shin, Kama'aina Kids, 808-478-3243, jacque@kamaainakids.com
On October 25th from 3:00 to 5:00 PM, each afterschool site at Kama'aina Kids will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*. Children will decorate lightbulbs for a *Lights On*-themed art project.
Weather permitting, children will wave signs on the sidewalk about the importance of afterschool.

Kanehoe Bay, Hawaii: Amy Tetreault, 808-257-2030, amy.tetreault@usmc-mccs.org
The Kulia Youth Center, Marine Corps Community Services afterschool program will celebrate
Lights On Afterschool on October 25th from 3:30 to 4:30 PM. The Provost Marshall's Office
will provide a presentation on Halloween safety, and a dance teacher will lead students in a
Zumba exercise class. Parents will attend and healthy snacks will be served. Approximately 40
families are expected.

**Pahoa, Hawaii:** Tiana Wong, After-School All-Stars at Pahoa High and Intermediate School, 808-557-7759, pahoa@asashawaii.org

On October 25th, After-School All-Stars at Pahoa High and Intermediate School will host a *Lights On Afterschool* event from 2:00 to 3:30 PM. Students will create and wave signs to raise awareness of afterschool programming. A video of students discussing the importance of afterschool will be shown. The event will also include games and food. As many as 100 people are expected.

#### Idaho

**Burley, Idaho:** Katie Muir, SPARK Afterschool 21st Century Community Learning Center, 208-654-8795, muikatie@cassiaschools.org

To celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*, SPARK Afterschool will host open houses at each of its six sites on October 25 from 4:00 to 6:00 PM at Burley Jr. High School and Declo Jr. High School. Families will rotate through various activities including a photo booth, cup stacking, cookie decorating, a balloon tier challenge, and a LEGO robotics table. Activities will also promote SPARK's upcoming production of *Seussical the Musical* which will involve all six sites. Some 150 people are expected in total. Judge Mick Hodges may attend.

**Mountain Home Air Force Base, Mountain Home, Idaho:** Afterschool Ambassador Lissa Hall and Erin Arel, 208-828-4428, erin.arel.1@us.af.mil

For *Lights On Afterschool*, Mountain Home Air Force Base will hold an event on October 24th at 3:30 PM at the Youth Center, 650 Phantom Avenue, Building 2830. The event will start with an assembly at which older youth interview younger students about what afterschool programs mean to them. The Youth of the Year will also speak about how afterschool has affected her life. After the assembly, youth, parents and community members will be invited to participate in activities that are typical of what students do in the afterschool program, such as painting, robotics and photography.

**Plummer, Idaho:** Jessica Johnson, The Success Center, 208-686-2137, Johnson.Jessica@LakesideSch.org

Lakeside Elementary School and the Success Center are partnering to host a carnival and literacy night on October 18th from 3:30 to 6:00 PM for *Lights On Afterschool*. The theme is "Fall in Love with Reading." The celebration will feature a variety of fall-related booths and activities including BINGO, a pumpkin patch, pumpkin decorating and paper lanterns. STEM activities such as "expanding ghosts" and dry ice "ghost bubbles" will be featured, along with a variety of games and reading activities for students and their families . Local business partners will volunteer and share resources. Approximately 150 people are expected.

#### Illinois

**Cambridge, Illinois:** Janis Mahan, Cambridge Elementary School, 309-937-2028, jmahan@district227.org

On October 23rd, the Assist, Inform and Motivate (AIM) 21st Century afterschool program at Cambridge Elementary School will host an event for *Lights On Afterschool* at 5 PM. Parents and students will travel from the school to the Downing Daughters Pumpkin Farm for a corn maze and hayride, and each student will pick a pumpkin to take back to the campus. A chili dinner will be served, and parents and students will decorate the pumpkins with felt and markers. State Representative Dan Swanson will attend, and fifth grade students will share what afterschool means to them. As many as 40 students and their families are expected.

**Chicago (North Chicago), Illinois:** Syerra Meadows, Boys & Girls Club of Lake County Oakdale Extension, 847-275-8941, <a href="mailto:smeadows@bgclc.com">smeadows@bgclc.com</a>

The Boys & Girls Club of Lake County Oakdale Extension will host a *Lights On Afterschool* Glow Party at 5:00 PM on October 25th. The event will feature a general assembly highlighting the importance of afterschool programs, science, technology, engineering, art and math (STEAM) activities, and arts-and-crafts. More than 50 students and their families may attend.

Chicago, Illinois: Tonja Robinson-Harris, BUILD, Inc. 773-227-2880, tonjarobinsonharris@buildchicago.org

On October 26th, BUILD, Inc. afterschool programs at three elementary schools and one high school will host Family Nights for *Lights On Afterschool* from 3:30 to 6:30 PM. Activities will include community mapping, spoken word and STEM stations focused on community. Each event will be live streamed. Some 300 people are expected.

**Danville, Illinois:** Stephanie Burnett, Project Success, 217-446-3200, sdixon@vcprojectsuccess.org

Project Success will host a *Lights On Afterschool* celebration on October 25th from 5:15 to 7:00 PM at Laura Lee Fellowship House. The event will feature an assembly with speeches by Project Success students, followed by tours of the program and family activities including pumpkin decorating, glitter tattoos, a wiener roast and family photos. Danville's mayor, state representatives and school district administrators may attend. Some 100 students and their families are expected.

**Evergreen Park, Illinois:** Annette Kelly, FOUS Youth Development Services, 708-508-7389, <u>akelly@4usyouthdevelopment.org</u>

To celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*, FOUS Youth Development Services will host a superhero event from 12:30 to 3:00 PM on October 26th. Fourth to eighth grade students will write essays

about using superhero powers to change their communities, and local community heroes will be honored. The event will also include games and food. Some 150 to 175 people are expected.

**La Moille, Illinois:** Monico Nunez, BHS - Regional Office of Education - La Moille Schools, 815-910-0080, mnunez@lamoilleschools.org

The Van Orin and Allen 21st Century Community Learning Center afterschool programs will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* on October 25th from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at the Lion's Club. The event will include a chili dinner, pumpkin chucking and a STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) Pumpkin Challenge. Each table will hold a large pumpkin and those seated at the table will become a team to create the best pumpkin design, using paint, carving tools and other items. Afterward, "best overall" pumpkin will be selected and the pumpkins will be lit for *Lights On Afterschool*. Approximately 60 students and their families will attend.

**Pekin, Illinois:** Julie Angle, Tazewell County Health Department, 309-929-0304, jangle@tchd.net

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Tazewell County Health Department will host a Carnival/Fun Night at the Avanti's Dome on October 25th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. The event will feature inflatables, mini-train rides, and adventure cart races. Members of the police department will give a presentation about safety and Unity Point Health will give a presentation about healthy, active living. Local school principals and mayors may attend. Some 300 to 500 students from 18 afterschool programs are expected.

#### Indiana

**Evansville, Indiana:** Ashanti Anderson, Caze Elementary 21st Century Afterschool Programs, ashanti.anderson@evsck12.com

Caze Elementary will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* at its annual Fall Carnival on October 26<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 to 6:30 PM. The event will include a cake walk, a coin toss, and an opportunity for fifth graders to 'pie' their teachers. The carnival will shine a light on a number of Caze Elementary afterschool programs. The Comforting Hands Club will feature their work crocheting hats for individuals fighting cancer. Students in the Team Cuisine cooking club will serve sweets and caramel apples. The Crystal Stones Club will display their crystals made from borax and pipe cleaners. School leaders and community leaders have been invited, and more than 200 participants are expected.

**Huntington, Indiana**: Afterschool Ambassador Desiree Frederick, Boys & Girls Club of Huntington County, 260-359-1750, desiree@bgchuntington.com

The Boys & Girls Club of Huntington County will host *a Lights on Afterschool* open house, awareness walk and celebration on October 25<sup>th</sup>. From 4:30 to 5:30 PM, members of the Club's leadership program will lead tours to allow guests to experience what a day in the afterschool program is like. At 5:30 PM members, staff, parents and guests will walk from the Club to the Huntington courthouse where a celebration of afterschool will take place. At the courthouse, parents and members will give testimonials on why the afterschool program is important for youth in the Huntington community. The evening will commence with a lantern lighting.

**Indianapolis, Indiana:** Sara Beanblossom, Indiana Afterschool Network, 317-822-8211, sbeanblossom@indianaafterschool.org

On October 25th, the Indiana Afterschool Network will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with a rally at Monument Circle from 6 to 8 PM. Participants will bring signs and stories about the positive impact of afterschool across Indiana and pose for photos with friends in afterschool and summer learning from across the state. Afterschool program directors will discuss how their programs provide engaging, hands-on science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) learning experiences. The Indianapolis Power & Light windows will be lit up to commemorate *Lights On Afterschool* Day, and local policy makers may attend. Proclamations for the 2018 #LightsOnAfterschool Day have been signed by policy makers across the state, including Governor Eric Holcomb.

**Michigan City, Indiana:** Abagael May, Michigan City Area Schools Safe Harbor, 219-873-2026, amay@educatemc.net

On October 16th, Michigan City Area Schools Safe Harbor and the Boy & Girls Club of Michigan City will collaborate to offer a breakfast summit for local leaders for *Lights On Afterschool* from 7:30 to 8:30 AM. The summit will include an informative presentation highlighting the important role afterschool programs play in the lives of children, families and communities. Some 40 community leaders and organizations may attend, including a staff member for U.S. Senator Joe Donnelly; Michigan City's mayor, city council and school board members, the superintendent of schools and police chief; and leaders from the United Way, Unity Foundation and Economic Development Corporation.

#### <u>Iowa</u>

**Burlington, Iowa:** Cree Gully, P.I.E.C.E.S., 319-768-8332, <a href="mailto:cree.gully@bcsds.org">cree.gully@bcsds.org</a>
On October 25th from 3:15 to 5:15 PM, Aldo Leopold Middle School P.I.E.C.E.S. will host an event for *Lights On Afterschool*. There will be stations set-up inside the school and in the parking lot for activities. Firetrucks, police department vehicles and K-9 dogs will be in the parking lot so students can tour and learn about emergency response. There will be a Make It/Take It station

with pumpkin pie making, "Chess vs. Local Heroes" with emergency response personnel, a station that provides an opportunity for students to sign up for library cards, and a thank you card station for volunteers and supporters of *Lights On Afterschool*. After the activities, dinner will be served and the mayor of Burlington will read a proclamation about afterschool programs. The event will close with a performance by the afterschool students. Approximately 150 people are expected.

**Storm Lake, Iowa:** Christine Carlson, Tornado Learning Club, 712-732-8008, ccarlson@slcsd.org

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Tornado Learning Club at Storm Lake Middle School will hold a family night on October 25th from 5:30 to 7:00 PM. Dinner will be served. There will be a science fair, National History Day practice performance, scavenger hunt, photo booth, college fair and ELL information and culture share. Many community partners will participate in the evening with information and giveaways, including Storm Lake Public Library, Iowa Central Community College, CAASA (Center Against Abuse & Sexual Assault), United Community Health Center, and more.

#### Kansas

Clay Center, Kansas: Edith Sorensen, Project LEAD @ Lincoln & Garfield, 785-632-2156, edithsorensen@usd379.org

On October 4th from 5:30 to 7:00 PM, Project LEAD hosted a Literacy Night for *Lights On Afterschool*. Families visited eight stations, each providing a way for parents and children to work together on literacy. Each child received a new book. School administrators, the school board and more than 100 students and their families attended.

**Hays, Kansas:** Cari Rohleder, Science and Mathematics Education Institute - Fort Hays University, 785-628-4743, cbrohleder@fhsu.edu

On October 25th, the Science and Mathematics Education Institute at Fort Hays State University (FHSU) will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* from 3:30 to 4:30 PM in their makerspace at Forsyth Library. Students will make 'squishy circuits' out of conductive dough and LED light, as well as invent small projects with "Little Bits" snap-together electronics. FHSU students, faculty and community members will attend.

**Leavenworth, Kansas:** Kim Taylor, USD453 Education Foundation Horizon Kids, 913-240-1638, kim.taylor@lvpioneers.org

The USD453 Education Foundation's Horizon Kids program held a day-long *Lights On Afterschool* celebration on October 19<sup>th</sup>. In the morning, students participated in a "Wellness

Walk" and completed a Halloween craft. In the afternoon, students made fleece dog toys for a local pet rescue and created mini-Halloween "brownie blasts" as part of the Chef's Club. The event took place at David Brewer Elementary, and State Representative Jeff Pittman participated. Some 30 to 35 students and teachers attended.

**Neosho Rapids, Kansas:** Tena Cassity, Kansas Reading Roadmap, 620-343-0253, tcassity@usd252.org

On November 1st, Kansas Reading Roadmap at USD 252 will host a *Lights On Afterschool* celebration from 5:30 to 7:00 PM at Neosho Rapids Elementary. The event will feature educational community booths including a creative activity from the Emergency Assistance Center, hygiene information from the Flint Hills Health Department, a STEM activity from Greenbush, community outreach/skill building information from 4-H, survival skills education from Girl and Boy Scouts, healthy eating education from OPAA! Food Management, and extended learning information from the Hartford Public Library. Participants who visit each booth will receive a ticket to enjoy a blow-up obstacle course with glowsticks, Glow BINGO for BOOKS and Glow Golf. Approximately 100 people are expected.

**Manhattan, Kansas:** Jaclyn West, Frank V. Bergman Elementary, 785-587-2865, jaclynw@usd383.org

In celebration of *Lights On Afterschool*, Frank V. Bergman Elementary will host an open house on October 25th from 4:00 to 5:00 PM. Families will engage in science projects, coding activities, a literacy-based craft, a book walk, and physical activity challenges.100 students and 50 parents are expected.

**Topeka, Kansas:** Nikki Ramirez-Jennings, Boys & Girls Clubs of Topeka, 785-234-5601, nikkiramirezjennings@bgctopeka.org

On October 25th, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Topeka Adams Unit will host a fall festival/carnival for *Lights On Afterschool* from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. The event will include pumpkin decorating, a Halloween movie, a cake walk, community resources, a D.J., a photobooth, the Chick-Fil-A cow, and food. Local officials, including the mayor, may attend. Approximately 200 people are expected to attend.

# **Kentucky**

Carrollton, Kentucky: Sheila Chowning, 21st Century Lighthouse, 502-732-6834, <a href="mailto:sheila.chowning@carroll.kyschools.us">sheila.chowning@carroll.kyschools.us</a>

21st Century Lighthouse will host an open house to celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* on October 25th from 3:00 to 6:00 PM. Student leaders will guide parents and community members through

showcases from the various clubs offered by the afterschool program, including the robotics club, agriculture club, comedy club, sewing club, girls club, gaming club, Minecraft club, and sports club. Participants will engage in hands-on activities to experience the program's offerings, and the cooking club will serve light refreshments including KIND bars. Carrollton's mayor will attend, and up to 150 people are expected.

Catlettsburg, Kentucky: Helen Bocook, Boyd County Public Schools 21st Century Community Learning Center WOW Afterschool Program at Catlettsburg Elementary School, 606-739-5515, helen.bocook@boyd.kyschools.us

Catlettsburg Elementary School will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with an open house on October 25th from 4:30 to 6:30 PM. It will feature a parent-student literacy workshop and tours of the program's STEM lab. The Catlettsburg Police Department will facilitate a booth, and the Catlettsbrug Fire Department will display a Smoke House and truck. The Boyd County Public Library will facilitate science experiments. King's Daughters Medical Center will provide flu shots and health information, and nursing students from the Ashland Community and Technical College will provide a science activity and snack. The UK Extension Office, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Good News Club will showcase their programs.

**Covington, Kentucky:** Marilynn Arnold, Ninth District Elementary School Family Resource Center, 859-292-5823, <a href="mailynn.arnold@covington.kyschools.us">marilynn.arnold@covington.kyschools.us</a>

On October 25th, the Ninth District Elementary School Family Resource Center will host a Health Fair for *Lights On Afterschool* from 5:30 to 7:00 PM. Many community partners will provide resources to promote healthy living for students and their families. The FreeStore Food Bank will coordinate a "Produce Pop Up" with a large truck with free fruits and vegetables for each family. Students will participate in physical activities including jump rope, hula hoops, balance beams, tennis ball tosses, line dancing, and Zumba. Families will receive healthy recipe cards with free samples. Nursing students from Northern Kentucky University as well as school district nurses will provide health screenings including height and weight measurements, body mass index (BMI) calculations, and blood pressure readings. Generation Rx will provide information on safe medication practices, and Quit for Good Covington will provide information on smoking cessation. Covington's mayor and a local state representative may attend. Some 100 families are expected.

Covington, Kentucky: Julie Wharton, Holmes High School, 859-655-9545, julie.wharton@covington.kyschools.us

For *Lights On Afterschool*, Holmes High School will host a Halloween celebration on October 26th at 5:30 PM. It will feature pumpkin painting, trunk or treat, glow sticks, Halloween-themed games and activities, and information about afterschool programming. As many as 40 families are expected.

**Louisville, Kentucky:** Lindsey Mahoney, YMCA of Greater Louisville, 502-637-1575, LMahoney@ymcalouisville.org

YMCA of Greater Louisville will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* on October 25th from 6:00 to 7:00 PM. 52 afterschool sites across 4 counties will participate. Each site will host a parents versus children kickball game.

# **Louisiana**

**Baton Rouge, Louisiana:** Pat LeDuff, CADAV (Community Against Drugs And Violence), Inc., 225-964-7824, patleduff@yahoo.com

CADAV, Inc. celebrated *Lights On Afterschool* on September 6th from 6:30 to 9:30 PM. in Scotlandville BREC Park. Children completed a one-mile 'flashlight hike' with flashlights provided by the mayor's office. Afterward, families enjoyed dinner and the movie 'Zootopia' in the park. Baton Rouge city Council Members Chauna Banks and Tara Wicker and members of the fire department attended. More than 100 children and their families were present.

**Baton Rouge, Louisiana**: Afterschool Ambassador Sam Trevathan, Kids' Orchestra, 225-922-4656, strevathan@kidsorchestra.org

Kids' Orchestra will celebrate *Lights on Afterschool* on October 25th with an open house for families and community members to see students in action and celebrate afterschool programming. The will take place at Greenbrier Elementary from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm and will include a site tour, performances and staff and student testimonials. Those on the tour will visit classrooms highlighting different parts of our unique programming. The event will culminate with food, games, activities and music.

**Farmerville, Louisiana:** Debra James, Union Parish School Board, 318-368-9715, jamesd@unionpsd.org

The Union Parish School District 21st Century Community Learning Centers afterschool program will host a rally and talent exhibition on October 25th from 4:00 to 4:45 PM for *Lights On Afterschool*. Cheerleaders will lead chants and cheers, students will perform a drama skit, winning essay contest winners will be recognized, and student art will be exhibited. Farmerville's mayor, city council members, district attorney, and sheriff may attend. Approximately 300 people are expected.

#### Maine

**Lewiston, Maine:** Afterschool Ambassador Jenn Carter, Lewiston Public Schools, 207-212-6605, jcarter@lewistonpublicschools.org

On October 25th, Lewiston 21st Century and Lewiston Afterschool will hold a *Lights On Afterschool* celebration from 3:00 to 6:00 PM at New Beginnings. The event will highlight the new collaborative website, <a href="www.lewistonafterschool.org">www.lewistonafterschool.org</a>. It will include community and student speakers, family activities, information about afterschool programs in Lewiston, and a free community dinner. State Senator Nate Libby and City Councilmember Alicia Rea will attend, and approximately 100 people are expected.

**Portland, Maine**: Afterschool Ambassador Amy Pichette, LearningWorks, 207-775-0105, apichette@learningworks.me

LearningWorks and the Maine College of Art will co-host a *Lights On Afterschool* rally and student art exhibition at the Maine College of Art's Lawn and Exhibition Space on November 2nd from 4:00 to 6:00 PM, during Portland's monthly First Friday Art Walk. From 4:30 to 5:00 PM, there will be student performances such as a middle school girls choir and a dance troupe, and remarks from afterschool students, parents and school and elected officials. After the performances and rally, participants will move to the art exhibition space to view the artwork developed by students who participated in the Maine College of Art's "Make. Art. Think." program. Up to 200 students, parents and community leaders will attend.

**Rumford, Maine:** Miki Skehan, Western Foothills Kids Association, 207-357-6987, mskehan@rsu10.org

On October 18th, Western Foothills Kids Association hosted a *Lights On Afterschool* celebration from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Mountain Valley Middle School. It featured displays of artwork and photographs taken by afterschool students, a robotics demonstrations by the afterschool Robotics Group, a news video created by the afterschool News Team, and activities organized by the association and its community partners: River Valley Rising, Healthy Oxford Hills, 4-H, Boy Scouts and Community Concepts. The event also included a comical Improv Show put on by the afterschool Improv Group, snacks by the afterschool Cooking Group, and a Food Drive by the afterschool Youth Acceptance Group.

# **Maryland**

**Annapolis, Maryland:** Ellie Mitchell, Maryland Out of School Time Network, 410-374-7692 ext. 101, <a href="mailto:emitchell@mostnetwork.org">emitchell@mostnetwork.org</a>

On October 25th from 4 - 6 PM, at the Banneker-Douglass Museum, children and families will come together for a *Lights On Afterschool* read-aloud. There will be a host of activities that promote literacy, cultural experiences and cultural preservation. The Banneker-Douglass

Museum is a component of the Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture, which is a unit of the Governor's Office of Community Initiatives.

**Baltimore, Maryland:** Ellie Mitchell, Maryland Out of School Time Network, 410-374-7692 ext. 101, <a href="mailto:emitchell@mostnetwork.org">emitchell@mostnetwork.org</a>

On October 25th, the M&T Bank stadium lights will be changed from purple to white, in a shining representation of both the students who are benefiting from afterschool enrichment every day and the students who are waiting to get into quality afterschool programs. The lights in the sky it will be eye-catching reminder of the importance of afterschool programs.

**Baltimore, Maryland:** Stephanie Cook, Child First at Hilton Elementary, 443-527-8112, <a href="mailto:Steook@bcps.k12.md.us">Steook@bcps.k12.md.us</a>

Child First will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* on October 25th from 4:00 to 7:00 PM. Children and families will participate in a glow-in-the-dark festival. A local storyteller will perform.

**Baltimore, Maryland:** Jasmine Campbell, Living Classrooms/UA House at Fayette, 585-309-2225, jcampbell@livingclassrooms.org

To celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*, Living Classrooms will host a youth talent show on Thursday, October 25th at 5:30 PM. It will feature performances from youth, the Baltimore Hawks Dance Team, and the band "Amplified." Approximately 150 people are expected. City Councilman Brandon Scott will attend.

Cockeysville, Maryland: Vernelle Mitchell-Hawkins, Baltimore County 4-H, 410-887-8090, vmh@umd.edu

On October 25th, Baltimore County 4-H will host an open house at the Maryland State Fairground to celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*. The event will be the launch pad for the rebirth of 4-H Afterschool programs in Baltimore County. To serve the vision of offering 30 new afterschool programs, two informative, hands-on sessions will be held. From 1 to 3 PM, individuals will learn more about volunteering with 4-H, and from 4 to 6 PM prospective schools will learn more about partnering with 4-H. The open house will also feature door prizes, refreshments and hands-on 4-H afterschool activities (STEM, crafts, animals and healthy living). 4-H staff will be available to answer questions about the impact of afterschool programs. As many as 100 people may attend.

**Parkville, Maryland:** Catherine Newman, PlayCenters at Our Lady of Hope, 410-296-4880, <u>OLHDirector@playcenters.org</u>

Play Centers, Inc. will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* on October 25th at 2:00 PM. Children will participate in a community volunteer activity. The event will highlight the connection between before- and after-school programs and building community.

**Suitland, Maryland:** Juwann Jones, Kids' Care - Suitland Community Center, 301-736-3518, juwann.jones@pgparks.com

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Suitland Community Center will host an open house on October 25th from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM. The event will feature a parent/child cooking class, a dance showcase, sports activities, a digital photography exhibit, skate mobiles and face painting. Some 75 families are expected.

**Tilghman, Maryland:** Brandy Frampton, Tilghman Area Youth Association, 410-310-7411, brandy.elizabeth@hotmail.com

The Tilghman Area Youth Association will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* on October 25th from 3:20 to 5:30 PM at Tilghman Area Youth Association. Children will explore special hands-on science activities. The event will also include an interactive visit from a local martial arts group.

For more information on Lights On Afterschool events in Maryland, visit the following website: <a href="http://mdoutofschooltime.org/what-we-do/2018-lights-on-afterschool">http://mdoutofschooltime.org/what-we-do/2018-lights-on-afterschool</a>

### **Massachusetts**

**Attleboro, Massachusetts:** Debra Garvin, Robbin's Children's Programs, 508-226-0282, edcoordinator@robbinsep.org

Robbin's Children's Programs will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with an open house from 3:00 to 7:00 PM on October 25th. It will feature science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) activities as well as a makerspace equipped with building materials, circuit games, a 3-D printer and recycled workshop art supplies.

**Cambridge, Massachusetts:** Emma Samler, Breakthrough Greater Boston, 857-445-5772, <a href="mailto:esamler@btgbmail.org">esamler@btgbmail.org</a>

On October 30th from 3:30 to 4:30 PM, Breakthrough Greater Boston will host an open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. Participants will celebrate the Fall season, community, and mentor relationships with a pumpkin-carving contest. As many as 50 people may attend.

**Cambridge, Massachusetts:** Veronica Locher, Mission Hill After School Program, 925-953-3563, <u>vlocher@wellesley.edu</u>

The Mission Hill After School Program celebrated *Lights On Afterschool* with an ocean carnival on October 13th from 1:00 to 4:00 PM. The New England Aquarium showcased its traveling tide pools, and in a "creative room" children made ocean-themed slime and sculpted their favorite sea

creatures out of air-dry clay. The event also featured ocean-themed temporary tattoos and a Connect Four tournament. Some 40 people attended.

Natick, Massachusetts: Lauren Meurer, Natick Recreation and Parks, 508-647-6400 x1800, <a href="mailto:lmeurer@natickma.org">lmeurer@natickma.org</a>

To celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*, the Natick Recreation and Parks Teen Center will host a field day on October 25th from 2:30 to 6 PM. The event will feature an open gym, yard games, field sports, Flamenco dance instruction and tie-dye. Members of the Natick community services department and the police department may attend, and approximately 50 people are expected.

Lynn, Massachusetts: Ariel Asher, Camp Fire North Shore, 978-745-7200, aasher@campfirenorthshore.org

On October 25th from 2:30 to 4:00 PM, Camp Fire North Shore will host an open house for *Lights On Afterschool* at each of its six elementary schools. Each open house will feature stations at which children will engage in open discussion about their afterschool experiences with families and friends, complete a *Lights On* art activity, play small group games, and enjoy snacks. Some 80 to 100 students and their families may attend.

**Plymouth, Massachusetts:** Christine Young, Boys & Girls Club of Plymouth, 508-746-6070, <a href="mailto:cyoung@bgcplymouth.org">cyoung@bgcplymouth.org</a>

To celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*, the Boys & Girls Club of Plymouth will host an open house on October 25th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. It will include a pizza party, interactive, fun Minute-to-Win-It games, and program tours for parents. As many as 90 people may attend.

**Westfield, Massachusetts:** Ashley Miehm, Boys & Girls Club of Greater Westfield, 413-562-2301, amiehm@bgcwestfield.org

The Boys & Girls Club of Greater Westfield will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* on October 25th at 4:15 PM. The event will feature proclamations from Mayor Brian Sullivan, State Representative John Velis, and State Senator Donald Humason. The Club's "Youth of the Year" winner will discuss the importance of afterschool programs. Children will color in lightbulb art and receive light-up yoyos. Mayor Sullivan and a representative from the office of State Representative Velis will attend, and approximately 300 people are expected.

# **Michigan**

**Grand Rapids, Michigan:** Rebecca Epskamp, Alger Middle School Loop Program, 616-734-9951, algerloop@grymca.org

Alger Middle School Loop Program will hold a celebration for *Lights On Afterschool* on October 25th from 3:00 to 5:00 PM. There will be STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) activities and *Lights On* lightbulbs for students to decorate and display in the Loop Program space. As many as 30 people may attend.

**Wayne, Michigan:** K.C. Lopata, Eastern Michigan University Bright Futures Program, 248-320-9123, kclopata@gmail.com and Sam Froomkin, 734-649-6880, samfroomkin@gmail.com The 14 Eastern Michigan University Bright Futures programs in the Wayne-Westland Community School District hosted a 2018 *Lights On Afterschool* celebration on October 19th from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at Franklin Middle School in Wayne. The event highlighted social and emotional learning as well as physical and mental health and wellness through a variety of activities and games. Approximately 500 guests and several local, state and federal elected officials attended.

**Wyoming, Michigan:** Holly Bursley, TEAM 21 West Godwin, 616-443-2439, holly.bursley@godwinschools.org

On October 25th from 4:30 to 6:00 PM, TEAM 21 West Godwin will host an open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. There will be four stations that feature hands-on, educational activities, including STEM (science, technology, engineering and math), fitness, art and writing. Each student will receive a "passport" on which they are given a star for each station they go to. If they get a star from every station, they can put their passport in a raffle box. There will be cider and donuts for people to enjoy. In addition to the activities, student work and pictures will be displayed in the hallways to show what they do at their afterschool programs. A representative from the Grand Rapids mayor's office may attend. Approximately 150 people may participate.

#### Minnesota

**Brooklyn Park, Minnesota:** Demyko Jackson, North View Middle School Afterschool Programs, 763-585-7200, jacksondemyko@district279.org

The North View Middle School Afterschool Programs will host a Glow-in-the-Dark Dodgeball game on October 24th for *Lights On Afterschool*. Students will decorate a shirt to play in, using glow-in-the-dark highlighter markers. Parents and class instructors are also invited to participate. The activity will take place at North View Middle School. Approximately 150 people may attend.

**St. Paul, Minnesota:** Cathalina Young, Keystone Community Services, 651-504-2468, cyoung@keystoneservices.org

On October 25th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM, Keystone Community Services in St. Paul will hold an open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. The event will showcase to parents and families three of the classrooms used for the afterschool program. At least 50 people are expected.

Willmar, Minnesota: Kristen Egge, After School Adventurers, 320-262-0976, eggek@willmar.k12.mn.us

For *Lights On Afterschool*, After School Adventurers in Willmar will host a parent open house on October 25th from 4:15 to 4:45 PM. This event will showcase the many activities and opportunities for students in their afterschool program.

# **Mississippi**

**Biloxi, Mississippi:** Sadie Davis, Boys & Girls Club of the Gulf Coast East Biloxi Unit, 228-374-6654, sdavis@bgcgulfcoast.org

On October 25th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM, the Boys & Girls Club of the Gulf Coast East Biloxi Unit will host a fall carnival for *Lights On Afterschool*. The carnival will have a healthy living theme and will focus on "Let's Move" and healthy eating. Fresh fruits and vegetables will be provided. Games and activities will include face painting, knockout pumpkins, feed the cat, ring the witch's broom, and more. Local police and fire departments have been invited to celebrate Red Ribbon Week. Approximately 100 people are expected.

**Booneville, Mississippi:** Angelique Jumper, Booneville/Prentiss Boys & Girls Club, 662-210-0841, ms.angelique.jumper@gmail.com

On October 23rd from 12:00 to 1:00 PM, the Booneville/Prentiss Boys & Girls Club held an event for *Lights On Afterschool*. There was a luncheon for breast cancer survivors and the community to honor the survivors and spread the words about *Lights On Afterschool* and the afterschool programming available to the community. Students from the Club presented artwork to each survivor at the luncheon, and gave them a tour of the Club. Janet Hurd, a breast cancer survivor and Boys & Girls Club volunteer, spoke . Approximately 50 people attended.

**Gulfport, Mississippi:** Tonya Brown, Boys & Girls Club of the Gulf Coast Forest Heights Unit, 228-868-2526, <a href="mailto:tbrown@bgcgulfcoast.org">tbrown@bgcgulfcoast.org</a>

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Boys & Girls Club of the Gulf Coast Forest Heights Unit will host a Halloween-themed festival on October 25th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. There will be a cakewalk, face painting, Cornhole, an air hockey tournament and a football throw. There will also be golf putting for the younger children and a haunted house for those age 8 and older. The Keystone Club will be selling concessions. At least 130 people are expected.

**Keesler Air Force Base, Biloxi, Mississippi:** Jeri Peterson, Keesler Air Force Base Youth Programs, 228-377-4116, <a href="mailto:Jeryl.peterson@us.af">Jeryl.peterson@us.af</a>.mil

On October 25th from 3:30 to 5:00 PM, Keesler AFB Youth Programs will host an open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. There will be information tables and activity centers from afterschool clubs, teen groups and helping agencies. The FSS commander has been invited. At least 100 people are expected.

**McComb, Mississippi:** Keith Sibly, Boys & Girls Club of Southwest MS Jewel Rushing Unit, 601-684-5437, ksibley@cableone.net

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Boys & Girls Club of Southwest Mississippi will host a carnival on October 25th from 4:00 to 7:00 PM. There will be face painting, bounce houses, hayrides, a haunted house, a glow party, fall festival games, and performances by local dance troupes. In addition, there will be a community resource fair for parents and other guests, with more than 15 local partners providing information. At the end of the carnival, a representative from City Hall will read a proclamation and there will be a balloon launch to celebrate afterschool programs. The Chief of Police will attend. More than 250 people are expected.

#### Missouri

**Caruthersville, Missouri:** Teresa Tidwell, Caruthersville Public Library, 573-333-2480, ttidwell@cville.lib.mo.us

For *Lights On Afterschool*, Caruthersville Public Library will hold an open house for children and parents on October 25th from 3:00 to 5:30 PM . There will be tours of the library, focused on the children's room to show parents what their children do after school. Students and parents will play board games together. Refreshments will be served.

**Exeter, Missouri:** Mandy Mattingly, Exeter R-VI Afterschool Program, 417-835-2922, mmattingly@exeter.k12.mo.us

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Exeter R-VI Afterschool Program held an open house on October 15th from 3:00 to 6:30 PM. Students made a *Lights On* lightbulb snack out of yellow food, completed homework, participated in relay races and obstacle courses, and discussed the importance of afterschool programs. Afterward, students were invited to attend a school volleyball game, where the *Lights On Afterschool* proclamation was read by state representative Scott Fitzpatrick. Approximately 50 people attended.

**Hollister, Missouri**: Afterschool Ambassador Mark Cowsert, Tiger Academy-Hollister Schools, 417-243-4080, mcowsert@hollisterschools.com

On October 25 from 4:30-6:00 PM, Tiger Academy-Hollister Schools will mark *Lights On Afterschool* with a celebration featuring students from all three Tiger Academy Sites including short videos from students, an art show, student cooking and drone demonstrations, and special recognition of the Branson Airport, the only privately developed and operated commercial airport in the United States. A local radio station will broadcast live from Hollister Elementary School for two hours. Hollister Mayor David Tate will issue a proclamation, a staffer of U.S. Rep. Billy Long will attend, and other public officials have been invited. This celebration will be at Hollister Elementary School at 1794 State Hwy BB, Hollister, MO.

**St. Louis, Missouri:** Krystal Smith, Boys & Girls Club of Greater St. Louis, 314-335-8277, Krystal.smith@bgcstl.org

On October 31st from 3:30 to 6:45 PM, the Boys & Girls Club of Greater St. Louis will host a Fall Festival at Highland Elementary School for *Lights On Afterschool*. There will be a haunted hallway, trunk or treat, Halloween-themed science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) projects and a costume parade. Approximately 60 people are expected.

**St. Louis, Missouri:** Aisha Hassan, Unleashing Potential, 314-383-1733, <a href="mailto:ahassan@upstl.org">ahassan@upstl.org</a> On October 25th from 4:30 to 6:00 PM, the Unleashing Potential afterschool programs in St. Louis, Missouri will host a STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) night for *Lights On Afterschool*. Families and friends are invited to learn more about the afterschool programs available in the community, and participate in STEAM activities. There will also be materials available that families can take to do fun activities at home. Approximately 50 people are expected.

#### Montana

**Malmstrom Air Force Base, Montana:** Stevie Brown, Malmstrom Youth Programs, 406-731-4634, annieanette.brown@us.af.mil

Malmstrom Youth Programs will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with a Fall Festival on October 19th from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. It will feature carnival games, face painting and a craft area. The Paris Gibson Square Museum of Art will facilitate an activity, and an Airmen Family Readiness Center community liaison will participate. Some 500 people are expected.

**Worden, Montana:** Mark Branger, Worden Huntley Project Schools, 406-967-2540, mbranger@huntley.k12.mt.us

For *Lights On Afterschool*, Worden Huntley Project Schools will host a Halloween-themed event for students and parents on October 22nd from 5:30 to 6:00 PM. The event will include

Halloween arts-and-crafts and snacks (put the nose on the Jack-o-Lantern, make your own spooky snacks, pumpkin carving and more). As many as 100 people may join.

## **Nebraska**

**Broken Bow, Nebraska:** Megan Crawford, Super Kids Club After School & Summer Program, 308-870-5658, mcrawford@central-plains.org

Super Kids Club After School & Summer Program will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with a family night on November 2nd from 2:30 to 6:00 PM at North Park Elementary School. The event will feature a cultural festival with international students from the University of Nebraska at Kearney. Community members will learn about the cultures of the international students' home countries, including dances, songs, written and spoken language, games, clothing and sports. State Senator Matt Williams may attend, and up to 150 people are expected.

**Lincoln, Nebraska:** Pamela Mueri, Partnership for a Healthy Lincoln, 402-430-9940, pmueri@healthylincoln.org

To celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*, Partnership for a Healthy Lincoln will host an open house on October 25th from 6:30 to 8:00 PM at the Belmont Recreation Center. The event will include an opening program featuring high school emcees, the reading of a *Lights On Afterschool* proclamation, and an awards ceremony. Then, booths from each of the 26 Lincoln Community Learning Centers will highlight aspects of their programs focused on the theme "Family in Community." Examples include an electric trailer, a makerspace trailer, and programming centered around nutrition, racing, engineering, health and wellness. Free dinner and student-designed t-shirts will be provided. Three city council members will attend, and 300-500 people are expected.

Offut Air Force Base, Sarpy County, Nebraska: Rodney Wheeler, Offut Air Force Base Youth Programs, 402-294-5152, rodney.wheeler.3@us.af.mil On October 25th at 3:30 PM, Offut Air Force Base Youth Programs will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with a family night. Students and staff will compete in games including dodgeball, kickball, basketball and Nine Square in the Air. Approximately 80 children and their families are expected.

**Omaha, Nebraska:** Afterschool Ambassador Gwynette Williams, Collective for Youth, 402-932-2025. <a href="mailto:gwilliams@collectiveforyouth.org">gwilliams@collectiveforyouth.org</a>

Collective for Youth, a nonprofit that partners with more than 50 public school and nonprofit afterschool providers, celebrated *Lights On Afterschool* on October 6th at University of Nebraska Omaha's Sapp Field House. The event featured hands-on science, technology, engineering and

math (STEM) activities, dances, games and information about out-of-school-time programs available in Omaha. More than 1,000 people attended.

**Schulyer, Nebraska:** Heather Bebout, Schuyler School District Warrior Academy, 402-352-9940 ext 349, <a href="heather.bebout@schuylercommunityschools.org">heather.bebout@schuylercommunityschools.org</a>

On November 1st, the Schulyer School District Warrior Academy afterschool program will host a family night in celebration of *Lights On Afterschool* from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. The Edgerton Explorit Center will lead science activities with the students, and Warrior Academy staff will facilitate hands-on activities. Some 300 people are expected.

# **Nevada**

**Carson City, Nevada:** Afterschool Ambassador Matt Sampson, Boys & Girls Clubs of Western Nevada, 775-882-8820, matts@bgcwn.org

On October 25<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-6:00 PM, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Western Nevada will host a *Lights On Afterschool* event. Students and their families will gather at the Club to celebrate the 25 years that the Boys & Girls Clubs of Western Nevada has kept the lights on afterschool for the community's youth. Members and their families will have to opportunity to paint/decorate actual lightbulbs that will then be proudly hung and displayed all throughout the Club. Members and their families will also participate in an essay/speech contest about what their dream is for the next 25 years of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Western Nevada.

**Elko, Nevada:** Afterschool Ambassador McKenna Hines, 21st Century Community Learning Centers, 775-738-3731, mhines2@ecsdnv.net

On October 19th from 5:00 to 7:00 PM, Southside Elementary hosted a *Lights On Afterschool* Fall Festival. Students and their families gathered in the school gymnasium where they were able to paint a mini-pumpkin. In addition, Pace Coalition provided fall-themed books that were raffled off in order to promote literacy. There was also face painting, informational gift bags, music and snacks. Guest appearances featured Miss Elko's Outstanding Teen and her Nevada State Princesses, as well as City Councilman Reece Keener. Some 300 people attended this event.

**Las Vegas, Nevada:** Afterschool Ambassador, Jessica Knudson, 702-799-8680, knudsjm1@nv.ccsd.net

On October 25th, Mendoza Elementary Schools' 21st Century Community Learning Center afterschool program will host a *Lights On Afterschool* showcase. The afternoon event will feature students in the program and provide opportunities to learn about the importance of afterschool programming. It will also include an open house to allow guests to experience a day

in the after school life of Mendoza students, showcasing items they have been working on this year. Activities will include face-painting demonstrations, origami, cultural dance performances and archery, among others. The event will run from 4:30 to 5:30 PM and approximately 200 people are expected.

# **New Hampshire**

**Concord, New Hampshire:** Susan Farrelly, Capital City 21st Century Community Learning Centers, 603-225-0800, <u>sfarrelly@sau8.org</u>

For *Lights on Afterschool*, Capital City 21st Century Community Learning Centers in Concord, New Hampshire will hold a "Take Your Parents to 21C" event at six sites on October 25th from 2:30 to 5:30 PM. Parents and families will be able to experience a typical fun-filled afternoon in the afterschool program. Approximately 50 people are expected.

Marlborough, New Hampshire: Frances Ashworth, Project Edventure Marlborough Afterschool and Summer Program, 603-876-4465, fashworth@sau29.org
On October 26th from 5:30 to 7:30 PM, Project Edventure Marlborough Afterschool and Summer Program will host a Fall Festival to celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*. There will be activities for students to participate in, including face painting, science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) challenges, Minute-to-Win-It games, crafts, a zombie run and more. The Fall Festival will be held at Marlborough Elementary School. Molly Kelly, a candidate for governor of New Hampshire, and local media representatives may attend. Approximately 250 people are expected.

**Rochester, New Hampshire**: Sonjia Tainter, Rochester Child Care Center, ecrccup@gmail.com

The Rochester Child Care Center will hold eight *Lights On Afterschool* celebrations at its sites on October 25th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. Events include a Halloween Party, a Mindfulness Party, an open house, a Kindness Center and a Yoga event. The Mindfulness Party will showcase a "mindful minute" and sensory bottle crafts. The Yoga event will feature their community Yoga studio, which works with students in the afterschool program. More than 50 people are expected.

**Seabrook, New Hampshire:** Afterschool Ambassador Forrest E. Carter, Jr., Seabrook Adventure Zone (SAZ), 603-997-9760, forrest@sys-nh.org

The Seabrook Adventure Zone (SAZ) afterschool program will partner with the Seabrook Recreation Department to host the annual *Lights On Afterschool* Halloween Community Event on Friday, October 26th from 6:00 to 8:30 PM at the Seabrook Recreation Department. The event will feature a costume contest and a pumpkin dessert contest, Halloween-themed games,

activities for people of all ages, and SAZ's new Nightmare Café and Haunted House. Many community partners will be present: For example, the Seabrook Library will provide 3-D printing activities, Hannaford will provide healthy treats, and the Seabrook Parent Teacher Organization will provide cotton candy. More than 500 people are expected.

# New Jersey

**Camden, New Jersey:** Hillary Jones, The Salvation Army Kroc Center - Camden, 856-379-6908, <u>Hillary Jones@USE.SalvationArmy.Org</u>

The Salvation Army Kroc Center will host an open house and family night for *Lights On Afterschool* on October 25th from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. It will include presentations of student learning including drumming, dance and a sight word "bee." After the presentations, older students will play "Are You Smarter than a Fifth Grader?" against their parents, and younger students will complete a *Lights On* craft. As many as 80 people may attend.

**Colonia, New Jersey:** Diane Belanchik, Colonia Learning Center, 732-340-9622, ked-sacc@ymcaofmewsa.org

On October 25th, Colonia Learning Center will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with a family pumpkin festival from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. Participants will make geo-pumpkins and pumpkin tic tac toe, and children will fill and decorate brown bags filled with a healthy snack. Games will include pumpkin-themed active catch activities. Finally, to celebrate STEM, students will make a pumpkin catapult launcher.

**Glassboro**, **New Jersey:** Lori Juhring, Glassboro Child Development Centers, 856-881-3331, ljuhring@gcdckids.net

For *Lights On Afterschool*, Glassboro Child Development Centers will host a celebration on October 25th from 3:30 to 5:30 PM at Dorothy Bullock Elementary School. The Rowan University STEM Center will facilitate science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) activities using microscopes. The Glassboro Public Library will provide hands-on activities including 3-D printing and virtual reality, and a local garden center will provide pumpkins for children to paint and a mosaic art activity. A local pretzel factory will offer free soft pretzels. Some 100 people are expected.

**Newark, New Jersey:** Sebastian Rodriguez, UVSO Teen Center, 973-374-2000 ext. 1000 <a href="mailto:srodriguez@uvso.org">srodriguez@uvso.org</a>

On October 25th, the USVO Teen Center will host an open house to celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* from 3:00 to 6:00 PM. New recreational equipment and program activities will be showcased, including free classes presented by the New Jersey Audubon Society that help

students learn science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) through nature, infrared cameras on program premises that capture animals' movements overnight, and the "12 Comics" program, through which students create their own comic book heroes and sell their own merchandise. Local police may attend. At 6:00 PM, students will travel to the Prudential Center to attend a New Jersey Devils hockey game.

**Vineland, New Jersey:** Theresa Booth, Cumberland Cape Atlantic YMCA, 856-691-0030, <a href="mailto:childcare@ccaymca.org">childcare@ccaymca.org</a>

Cumberland Cape Atlantic YMCA will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*. Children at 24 beforeand after-school sites across three counties in eight school districts will create large puzzle pieces unique to their schools. All the pieces will come together to create a huge lightbulb. More than 200 children will participate.

### **New Mexico**

**Albuquerque, New Mexico:** Beatriz Valencia, Hayes Middle School, 505-203-0678, beatriz.valenciariano@aps.edu

Hayes Middle School will host a charity soccer tournament for *Lights On Afterschool* from 3:15 to 6:00 PM on October 23rd. Students, parents, police officers and community members will participate in the soccer tournament after donating items to local nonprofits as part of the school's Kindness Project. Afterschool providers including Boys & Girls Club, Harwood Art Center, Multicultural Club sponsored by Catholic Charities, Bible Club, EDAP Clubs, AVID Program and the Spanish Seal Program will showcase their work. More than 100 people are expected, and local policymakers may attend.

**Albuquerque, New Mexico:** Michael Lujan, Rio Grande Educational Collaborative, 505-873-6035, mlujan@rgec.org

To celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*, the Rio Grande Educational Collaborative will host a carnival and gallery walk on October 25th from 5:00 to 7:00 PM in Mariposa Park. The theme of the event is "Luminarias for Literacy." Students will display Luminarias they have created based on their favorite characters from a reading activity. The event will include games, face painting, and cake and book walks. Lobo Louie, the University of New Mexico mascot, and Orbit, the Albuquerque Isotopes mascot, will be present. Some 300 to 700 people are expected.

**Farmington, New Mexico:** Afterschool Ambassador Flo Trujillo, 505-320-0615, <a href="mailto:ftrujill@infoway.org">ftrujill@infoway.org</a>

On Thursday, October 25th, the Farmington Public Library will host "7 Habits of Happy Kids." Students will each get a piece of a puzzle and will together post a positive leadership message

through a floor puzzle for *Lights on Afterschool*. Using a "Can-Do" Attitude, youth will engage in the 7 Habits and focus on science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) activities at the library. Participants will each receive a *Lights On* strobe light, glasses, a wristband, and more from library staff and join a Tippie Toe Parade (tour the library) following story time.

# New York

**Albany, New York:** Andrew Katz, Albany JCC (Jewish Community Center) Afterschool, 518-438-6651, Andrew K@albanyjcc.org

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Sidney Albert Albany JCC will host an event on October 25th from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. There will be bounce houses and arts-and-crafts activities. Attendees are asked to bring a food item to donate to the Food Pantries for the Capital District. Local politicians and the news media may attend. Approximately 200 people are expected.

**Ithaca, New York:** Tracy Robbins, Northeast Kids Count, 607-257-9400, kidscountne@yahoo.com

Northeast Kids Count will host an open house for *Lights On Afterschool* on October 25th from 5:00 to 6:30 PM. The event will feature information on the history and mission of the program, as well as showcase students' work (art, academics and more). There will be profiles of the current staff and members of the board of directors, including biographies, photos and skits. The mayor may attend, along with local media and a journalist from Cornell University. The event will be held at Northeast Elementary School. As many as 150 people may participate.

**New York, New York:** Malcolm Smith, New York Edge P.S. 41Q, 718-423-8333, ps41q@newyorkedge.org

On October 25th from 3:00 to 5:15 PM, New York Edge at P.S. 41Q will hold an open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. Parents are invited to follow their child through the afterschool program for the day. There will be a letter writing campaign station with students and parents writing letters about the highlights of afterschool and why it is important, a poster-making station where students can showcase posters they have been working on that explain the importance of afterschool, and a music station where students will be singing songs they wrote as a group. There will also be physical activities, including a group football game and discussion of health and wellness, and a dance class. At least 150 people are expected.

**New York, New York:** Afterschool Ambassador Marcel Braithwaite, 917-405-1480, mbraithwaite@palnyc.org

The Police Athletic League (PAL) P.S. 13 afterschool program on Staten Island will host a *Tribute to PAL Arts* on Wednesday, October 24th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM for *Lights On* 

*Afterschool*. This celebration of afterschool and school partnership will feature a kids' arts gallery and talent show with dance, spoken word, acting and singing performances. Congressman Dan Donovan (R-NY) will be among the speakers. Other invited guests include parents, local law enforcement, school staff and elected officials.

**New York, New York:** Fabiola Estevez, Webster-Giannone Police Athletic League Center, 718-733-6748, <u>festevez@palnyc.org</u>

The Webster-Giannone Police Athletic League Center will hold a *Lights On Afterschool* party on October 25th from 3:00 to 5:00 PM. This will include a walk around the neighborhood with a *Lights On Afterschool* banner and balloon release. Afterward, students with gather in the gymnasium and celebrate with games, activities, music and food. New York Police Department precinct officers are invited. Approximately 100 people are expected.

**New York, New York:** Carolyn Johnson, The Child Center of New York at PAW (Play After Work), 718-949-8405, <a href="mailto:carolynjohnson@childcenterny.org">carolynjohnson@childcenterny.org</a>

On October 25th from 5:00 to 8:00 PM, The Child Center of New York at PAW will hold an event for *Lights On Afterschool* at the Preparatory Academy for Writers. The arrival of parents and the procession of administration, teachers and afterschool staff into the auditorium will be accompanied by the afterschool dance and drum team. In addition, there will be a flash mob dance scene. Art from the afterschool program will be displayed as picket signs. At least 300 people are expected.

## North Carolina

Charlotte, North Carolina: Tiyana Brown, Charlotte NEXT, 704-335-0100, <a href="mailto:tbrown@mecked.org">tbrown@mecked.org</a>

On October 25th, Charlotte NEXT will host a *Lights On Afterschool* celebration from 5:00 to 6:00 PM at James Martin Middle School in conjunction with MeckEd. MeckEd will host a virtual field trip meant to increase girls' exposure to STEM. The virtual field trip will consist of a 45-minute job shadow of a female STEM professional during which students can ask questions about her career.

**Henderson, North Carolina:** Melissa Elliott, Gang Free Inc., 252-425-5220, melissaelliott@gangfreeinc.org

For *Lights On Afterschool*, Gang Free Inc. will host a STEM Expo on October 25th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. Students will facilitate stations showcasing activities including drones, slime, propelling, building, chess, math, STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) literacy

and more. Some 100 to 150 people are expected. Henderson's mayor and members of the city council may attend.

**Stokesdale, North Carolina:** Jennifer Hermen, Operation Xcel, 336-644-3530, <a href="mailto:ihermen@operationxcel.org">ihermen@operationxcel.org</a>

On October 25th, the Operation Xcel afterschool program will host a *Lights On Afterschool* celebration from 5:30 to 6:30 PM in partnership with the Cooperative Extension North Carolina A&T Try Healthy program. Parents, students and community members will discuss the importance of making healthy eating choices. Parents and students will make a healthy snack dip and nutritious smoothies together as well as complete an art activity. Stokesdale's mayor, North Carolina A&T University Chancellor Harold Martin Sr., and North Carolina State Representative Amos Quick may attend.

**U.S. Army Fort Bragg, Cameron, North Carolina:** Annette Bennett, USAG CYS Fort Bragg NC Chay Youth Activity Center, 910-908-5012, annette.h.bennett.naf@mail.mil The Chay Youth Activity center will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* on October 26th from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. Youth will use "pro trainer" equipment to complete physical activities including relay races, strength and conditioning exercises, ball-throwing activities and more. Members of the fire department and police department may attend, and approximately 100 children and their families are expected.

### North Dakota

Mandan, North Dakota: Janet Rosario and Beth Demke, Gateway to Science, 701-258-1975, Janet@gscience.org, beth@gscience.org

Bismarck's Gateway to Science will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* at a STEMzone event at Lewis and Clark Elementary School from 6:00 to 8:00 PM on October 25th. It will feature hands-on STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activity stations including parachute drops, catapults, roller coasters, drawing machines, a "float your boat" activity and more. Approximately 100 students and family members will attend.

**Dickinson, North Dakota:** Jessica Aparicio, RASP (Regional Afterschool Program), 701-690-8407, japaricio@dpsnd.org

On October 25th from 5:30 to 7:30 PM, RASP (Regional Afterschool Program) will host a Halloween Party to celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*. The event will feature games including "throw the witch hat," "spider race," "pop the pumpkin," and "pumpkin bowling" -- as well as a costume contest. Up to 150 students and their families are expected.

**Fargo, North Dakota**: Afterschool Ambassador Robin Nelson, Boys & Girls Club of the Red River Valley, 701-235-2147, <a href="mailto:robin@bgcrrv.org">robin@bgcrrv.org</a>

All Fargo Boys & Girls Club sites will create a vibrant visual by coloring the lightbulb artwork. The colored lightbulbs will then be delivered to local congressional district offices. After that, youth will participate in the LightBulb Challenge, with sites taking photos of youth mimicking the *Lights On Afterschool* logo. Other special on-site activities include two STEM Challenges related to engineering, as well as the ever-popular talent show.

### Ohio

Clyde, Ohio: Patty VanDyne, WSOS Community Action, 419-332-4236, pmvandyne@wsos.org WSOS Community Action will host a rally, parade and celebration for *Lights On Afterschool* on October 25th from 3:30 to 6:00 PM. Students and parents will gather at the Clyde Municipal Building where community leaders, including the the Fremont school superintendent, will speak. They will then parade to Clyde Community Park for a celebration with pizza, photos and frames, crafts, a wiffle ball game, and other outdoor and fall activities. More than 120 people are expected, and Clyde's mayor may attend.

Cincinnati, Ohio: Patti O'Hagan, Boys and Girls Club of Greater Cincinnati, 513-421-8909, pohagan@bgcgc.org

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Cincinnati will host an open house on October 25th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. It will feature a free throw competition, Halloween crafts, and pumpkin painting. As many as 150 students and their families may attend.

**Cleveland, Ohio:** Lee DeAngelis, Greater Cleveland Neighborhood Centers Association, 216-298-4440 ext. 16, <u>Ideangelis@gcnca.org</u>

On October 25th from 4:30 to 6:30 PM, Partners for Student Success (P4SS), a collaboration of afterschool programs coordinated through the Greater Cleveland Neighborhood Centers Association (GCNCA), in partnership with Cleveland State University, will host a 2018 *Lights On Afterschool* event at CSU's Washkewicz College of Engineering. Sixty students in the fourth through eighth grades from Cleveland Metropolitan School District (CMSD) schools will participate in the event led by CSU engineering students. Activities will include a tour of the College of Engineering and a presentation by CSU students entitled: "What Do Engineers Do?" CSU students will lead an activity with the CMSD students, demonstrate a Segway, and talk about their preparations for majoring in engineering and the college experience.

**New Lexington, Ohio:** Penny Murray, 21st Century NLHS- Project Y.O.U., 740-342-3528, penny.murray@nlpanthers.org

In celebration of *Lights On Afterschool*, 21st Century NLHS- Project Y.O.U. will host a family night on October 25th from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. Small groups of families will be placed in a mummy-themed escape room, where they will enjoy treats while solving puzzles to "free the mummy" and escape the room. New Lexington's mayor may attend, and approximately 30 people are expected.

**Toledo, Ohio:** Melissa Oddo, YWCA Child Care Resource and Referral of Northwest Ohio, 419-255-5519, moddo@ywcanwo.org

On October 25th, 17 programs across four northwest Ohio counties will hold "Honk for Afterschool!" events. Prior to the event, children will learn about the importance of advocacy and create posters encouraging drivers to honk their horns in support of afterschool programming. Then, from 4:00 to 4:15 PM, children will collect "honks" by holding up their signs, jumping and waving outside their program sites. Approximately 475 children will participate.

#### Oklahoma

**Eufala, Oklahoma:** Robin Montgomery, Eufala Public Schools 21st Century Community Learning Centers, 918-689-2711, <a href="mailto:rlmontgomery@eufaula.k12.ok.us">rlmontgomery@eufaula.k12.ok.us</a>

The Eufala Public Schools 21st Century Community Learning Centers afterschool program will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with an open on house on October 25th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. The event will be in the Eufala Elementary Gym. Community partners including the public library, the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, and agencies including the county health department and behavioral health services will provide helpful information. Teachers will showcase activities and projects, and students will demonstrate items including snap circuits, skillastics and speed stacks. The Eufala Public Schools superintendent will be present, and as many as 185 students and their families may attend.

**Oklahoma City, Oklahoma:** Afterschool Ambassador Kim Templeman, Central Oak Elementary, 405-667-5211, <u>KTempleman@crookedoak.org</u>

On October 25th, Central Oak Elementary will hold its fifth annual *Lights on Afterschool* fall festival from 4:30 to 6:30 PM. Parents and community members will have the opportunity to view activities provided by the STREAM afterschool program and learn more about the importance of afterschool programming. The event will also include complimentary dinner, a Fall Festival with games and prizes, a hayride around the school campus, a book giveaway with many titles available for children of all ages, and a campfire at which the students will make their own s'mores.

**Tinker Air Force Base, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma:** Janice Dojcak, 405-734-1234, Tinker Youth Programs, <u>janice.dojcak.1@us.af.</u>mil

On October 25<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 to 6:00 PM, Tinker Youth Programs will host a family STEM night for *Lights On Afterschool*. Staff and youth will facilitate booths with hands-on science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) activities including mini-volcanoes, surface tension experiments, catapults and more.

## <u>Oregon</u>

Cave Junction, Oregon: Jenna Larkin, Boys & Girls Clubs of the Rogue Valley - IV Branch, 541-244-8490, jennaL@begreat4kids.com

The Boys & Girls Clubs of the Rogue Valley - IV Branch will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* on October 25th from 3:00 to 4:00 PM. Families and community members are invited, and children will sing karaoke songs in exchange for doughnut holes. Some 30 children may attend.

**Lebanon, Oregon:** Kris Latimer, Boys & Girls Clubs of the Greater Santiam, 541-258-7105, <a href="mailto:kris@bgcgreatersantiam.org">kris@bgcgreatersantiam.org</a>

To celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*, the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Greater Santiam will host a Harvest Festival Open House on October 25th from 6:00 to 9:00 PM. It will include traditional carnival games, a cake walk, a chili and cornbread dinner, a costume contest and raffles. Lebanon's local CHEF agency will host a tasting and nutrition educational table; Dutch Bros.coffee will run a family photo booth; and medical students from the Western University of Health Sciences will facilitate various health and wellness educational activities. Approximately 150 people are expected.

**Newport, Oregon:** Debra Jones, Youth Development Coalition of Lincoln County, 541-265-5326, <a href="mailto:diones@halc.info">diones@halc.info</a>

The Youth Development Coalition of Lincoln County celebrated *Lights On Afterschool* on October 18th from 5:30 to 7:30 PM with an afterschool resource fair. Many community organizations presented about afterschool programs, emergency preparedness, health care and other topics.

## **Pennsylvania**

**Kennett Square, Pennsylvania:** Kristin Kotler, The Garage Community and Youth Center, 610-444-6464, Kristin.Kotler@garageyouthcenter.org

On October 25th from 3:30 to 5:30 PM, the Garage Community and Youth Center will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with a field day and open house. There will be fun and physical activities for students to participate in, including tug-o-war, rope limbo, and capture the flag. The mayor, other local officials, and members of the community may attend. More than 100 people are expected.

**Philadelphia, Pennsylvania:** Taylor Kuyk-White, Bicycle Coalition Youth Cycling, 267-721-9129, taylor@bicyclecoalition.org

On October 27th from 9:00 to 11:30 AM, the Youth Advisory Committee of the Bicycle Coalition Youth Cycling in Philadelphia will host a group bike ride for *Lights On Afterschool*. The group will ride bikes to the Philly Bike Expo from Belmont Plateau. Tacos will be provided. Approximately 50 people are expected.

**Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania:** Katrina Hawthorne, Pittsburgh Housing Opportunities Unlimited Youth Enrichment Program, 412-378-6689, KMH200@pitt.edu

The Pittsburgh Housing Opportunities Unlimited Youth Enrichment Program will host a Fall Festival for *Lights On Afterschool* on October 25th from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. There will be fun and physical activities for students, including Cornhole, pumpkin painting, lawn games, and a Zumba fitness class. In addition, there will be tables set up by community partners, such as Future Makers/School2Career, the Story Mobile, and The Corner Community Center. Some 70 people are expected.

**Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania:** Annamaria Casciato, Southwest Region BASE (Before and Afterschool Enrichment) Programs of the YMCA of Greater Pittsburgh, 412-522-3961, acasciato@ymcapgh.org

On October 25th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM, the Southwest Region BASE Programs of the YMCA of Greater Pittsburgh will host an open house at Montour Elementary School to celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*. It will feature crafts, board games, an open gym, a donut eating contest, a make and take snack activity, and more. Some 75 participants may attend.

**Pottstown, Pennsylvania:** Afterschool Ambassador Heather Moyer, Pottstown School District, 610-718-8641, <a href="mailto:hmoyer@pottstownk12.org">hmoyer@pottstownk12.org</a>

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Pottstown School District iSucceed afterschool program will host an open house on October 25th from 3:00 to 5:00 PM. Families and community members are invited to experience the activities that are available for students at the afterschool program. This event is in partnership with Art Fusion, Creative Health Services, Fresh Start Fitness, Greater Pottstown Tennis and Learning, Steel River Theater and the YWCA Tri-County Area.

### **Rhode Island**

Cranston, Rhode Island: Sarah DeCosta, Kidventure and Bain+2, 401-270-8017, sdecosta@cpsed.net

On October 25th from 3:00 to 5:00 PM, Kidventure and Bain+2 in Cranston will hold an event for *Lights On Afterschool*. Parents, families and community members are invited to enjoy performances from children in the afterschool program. In addition, student work will be on display in the afterschool space at Gladstone Street School.

**Providence, Rhode Island:** Mavis Nimoh, United Way Rhode Island, 401-444-0658, mavis.nimoh@uwri.org

On October 26th from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM, United Way Rhode Island will hold a Summit for *Lights On Afterschool*. The Summit is entitled "Celebrate, Elevate and Activate" and will be an opportunity to acknowledge and encourage afterschool programs and recognize the essential work they do. The Summit will feature discussions about equity, access and sustainability of afterschool programs, with input from advocates, afterschool practitioners, allied organizations, state departments, schools and youth themselves. Awards will be presented to Congressman David Cicilline, Providence Mayor Jorge Elorza and State Representative Julie Casimiro.

**Warwick, Rhode Island:** Monique Rossi, Boys & Girls Clubs of Warwick, 401-467-4385, monique@wbgclubs.org

For *Lights on Afterschool*, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Warwick, Rhode Island will host an event on October 25th from 2:00 to 6:00 PM. There will be fun and educational activities for students, including homework help, STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) challenges, team-building games, sports and Halloween-themed arts-and-crafts. The program's board members, community police and media may attend. More than 100 people are expected.

## South Carolina

Charleston, South Carolina: Candace Grober-Harmon, WINGS for Kids, 843-263-2917, candaceg@wingsforkids.org

For *Lights On Afterschool*, WINGS for Kids in Charleston will host a Fall Festival on October 24th from 5:00 to 6:30 PM. Teachers, families and students from North Charleston Elementary School are invited and there will be face painting, carnival games, a photo booth, and a haunted house. Approximately 100 people are expected.

**Columbia, South Carolina:** Robin McCants, Edventure Museum, 803-400-1154, Rmccants@edventure.org

On October 23rd from 6:00 to 7:30 PM, EdVenture Children's Museum in Columbia, South Carolina will host a Family Literacy STEM event for *Lights On Afterschool*. Activities are focused on aviation (air, flight and design) to promote STEM education. There will be pizza for children and families. The event is open to more than 400 students in the afterschool program and 50 students in the Girl Scout Partnership program.

Florence, South Carolina: Charles McClain, 843-665-3228, maplepark@cityofflorence.com On October 25th from 5:30 to 7:30 PM, the City of Florence Recreation Services and Sports Tourism Department will host a fall festival for *Lights On Afterschool*. There will be games such as Cornhole, graveyard bowling and lucky pumpkin. There will also be a costume contest, music and food. The program director, David Caldwell, will read a proclamation at the beginning of the festival. Approximately 300 children and parents are expected.

North Charleston, South Carolina: A. Richmond E. Brown, Jr., A.C. Corcoran Elementary School, Expanded Learning (Kaleidoscope), 843-574-5909, <a href="mailto:Albert\_Brown@charleston.k12.sc.us">Albert\_Brown@charleston.k12.sc.us</a> On October 30th at 5:30 PM, A.C. Corcoran Elementary School Expanded Learning will host a talent show called "Lights On... Lights On You!" for *Lights On Afterschool*. The talent show will feature students in the afterschool program and some parents. At least 150 people are expected.

**Spartanburg, South Carolina:** Afterschool Ambassador Greg Tolbert and Nikki Caulk, Boys & Girls Clubs of the Upstate, 864-583-4867, <a href="mailto:nikki@bgcusc.org">nikki@bgcusc.org</a>

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Upstate will host an open house on October 25th from 3:30 to 5:00 PM. There will be tours of the Club, a panel discussion with board members and students from the Club, a video showcase, a meet-and-greet and a photo shoot. Local elected officials, community leaders and media may attend.

**Sumter, South Carolina:** Barney Gadson, H.Y.P.E. (Helping Youth Pursue Excellence) After School Programs, 809-934-9527, <a href="mailto:barneygadson@yahoo.com">barneygadson@yahoo.com</a>

On October 25th from 6:00 to 8:00 PM, H.Y.P.E. After School School Programs in Sumter, South Carolina will hold a rally for *Lights On Afterschool* at the Trinity Missionary Baptist Church. There will be music performances from children in the afterschool program. Former students from the program will be returning to speak about the positive impact that afterschool has had on their life. Representatives from the offices of Senator Tim Scott and Congressman Ralph Norman will attend, as well as local political officials and candidates for local office. In addition, a legislative delegation will be presenting a check for the program. At least 500 people are expected.

#### **South Dakota**

**Belle Fourche, South Dakota:** Kristy Messner, Belle Fourche School District, 605-642-3139, Kristy.Messner@k12.sd.us

The Belle Fourche School District's elementary TRAK program, middle school Jam program, and high school afterschool programs will partner to host a *Lights On Afterschool* celebration from 5:30 to 7:30 PM on October 23rd. The event will take place at Belle Fourche High School's new Career and Technical Education Center. Families and community members will participate in hands-on demonstrations from career and technical department instructors and students including welding and woodworking. Approximately 125 people are expected.

Rapid City, South Dakota: Melissa Yuhas, Rapid City YMCA, 605-718-5437, melissay@rcvmca.org

Rapid City YMCA will host a Decades Dance for *Lights On Afterschool* on October 25th from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. Each YMCA afterschool site will be assigned a decade or time period and will dress according the style of that time for the dance. YMCA staff will lead crafts, and the student unicycle club will perform. Some 150 to 200 families are expected, and Rapid City's mayor may attend.

**Sioux Falls, South Dakota:** Afterschool Ambassador Billy Mawhiney, Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sioux Empire, 605-306-5094. bmawhiney@bgcsiouxempire.org

On October 25th, the Boys & Girls Club of the Sioux Empire will host family events at all nine of its sites. Each will include STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities and local celebrity guest readers. Then, from 5:30 - 6:30 PM at the Club's main location at 700 S. Sneve Avenue, the Club will host a cultural community meal that is prepared by students in the Future Chefs Program. The event will showcase the impact afterschool programs make every day by providing tutoring, fine arts, character building and much more.

**Sioux Falls, South Dakota:** Cassidy Wright, Volunteers of America Dakotas Youth Center, 605-334-1414, <a href="mailto:c.wright@voa-dakotas.org">c.wright@voa-dakotas.org</a>

On October 25th from 4:00 to 7:00 PM, the Volunteers of America Dakotas Youth Center will host an open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. Parents will join in youth center activities, and parents and students will compete in dodgeball. A meal will be served and students will share what the youth center means to them. Up to 50 people may attend.

Summit, South Dakota: Dawn Marie Johnson, Summit School District, (605) 398-6211, <a href="mailto:dawn.m.johnson@k12.sd.us">dawn.m.johnson@k12.sd.us</a>

The Summit School District Out-Of-School-Time program will host a Halloween costume party for *Lights On Afterschool* from 3:00 to 6:00 PM on October 25th. Community organizations,

health care providers, businesses, school clubs and more will host booths with information and games for students and visitors. Three Midwest Allstar Wrestlers will sign autographs and take pictures, and Partnership with Native Americans will sponsor free household items, snacks, and books. There will be face painting, cookie decorating, pumpkin painting, a costume contest, and flu shots. South Dakota State Senator Jason Frerichs will attend, and more than 250 people are expected.

## **Tennessee**

**Adamsville, Tennessee:** Marcus Wilbanks, West Hardin Elementary, 731-632-0413, marcus.wilbanks@hctnschools.com

On October 25th from 5:15 to 7:30 PM, West Hardin Elementary will host a "Spooky Reading Night" for *Lights On Afterschool*. The evening will begin with a hot dog supper. Afterward, students will break into groups, each with a teacher from the school (dressed in costume), to read a spooky book. Each group will do an activity related to the book before coming back together with everyone in the school cafeteria for a book walk. The superintendent of schools in Hardin County will attend. Local mayors, newspapers and business representatives may attend. More than 100 people are expected.

**Nashville, Tennessee:** Keyosha Emerson, Preston Taylor Boys & Girls Club, 615-341-3909, kemerson@bgcmt.org

On October 31st from 4:00 to 6:30 PM, the Preston Taylor Boys & Girls Club will host a fall festival carnival for *Lights On Afterschool*. There will be carnival games, a dunking booth, inflatable games, cotton candy, and fall-themed painting. Local schools, banks, and community service providers will have booths at the event. Volunteers from Tennessee State University will assist Club members though the different activities. At least 100 people are expected.

**Nashville, Tennessee:** Keith Churn, Boys & Girls Clubs of Middle Tennessee at Eagle View, 615-720-0831, <a href="kchurn@bgcmt.org">kchurn@bgcmt.org</a>

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Middle Tennessee at Eagle View will host a fall festival on October 29th from 4:30 to 6:30 PM. There will be a bounce house, an obstacle course, facepainting, and a photo booth. There will also be trunk or treating, where students will be able to trick or treat from car to car. Dinner will be served. Eagle View school administration and staff have been invited.

**Oliver Springs, Tennessee:** Elizabeth Patterson, Save the Children After School, 423-346-8600, pattersone@mcsed.net

In honor of *Lights on Afterschool*, Save the Children Afterschool in Oliver Springs will host a family trunk or treat party on October 25th from 3:30 to 5:30 PM. Staff at the school will decorate their car trunks, and students will have the opportunity to trick or treat from car to car. Students are encouraged to wear costumes. There will also be STEM activities to participate in. More than 100 people are expected. Local newspaper representatives may also attend.

#### **Texas**

**Austin, Texas:** LaTash King, Harris Elementary School After School Program, 512-841-5435, <a href="mailto:latash.king@austinisd.org">latash.king@austinisd.org</a>

On October 25th at 3:45 PM, the Harris Elementary School After School Program will hold an open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. Parents are invited to sit in on their kids' afterschool classes and participate in various fun family activities. Examples of activities that will be available are Twister, learning violin, and making slime. Light refreshments will be served. Student have decorated *Lights On* lightbulbs that will be displayed in the afterschool space. More than 100 people are expected.

**Austin, Texas:** Juan Diaz, ACE Austin 21st Century Community Learning Center - Widen Elementary School, 512-841-0813, juan.diaz@austinisd.org

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the 21st Century Community Learning Center at Widen Elementary School will partner with 4 H Capital to hold an open house on October 25th from 4:00 to 5:30 PM. The open house will provide community partners, school staff and administration, and parents an opportunity to interacts with students and program staff as they do their afterschool activities. The school district superintendent has been invited. Approximately 60 people are expected.

**Austin, Texas:** Joel De La Torre, Rocket PEACE Club, 512-841-2116, joel.delatorre@austinisd.org

Rocket PEACE Club in Austin, Texas will host an open house on October 25th from 4:00 to 6:30 PM for *Lights On Afterschool*. Parents are invited to visit students' classrooms and view afterschool activities. The dance group and school choir will perform as well. The afterschool spaces will be decorated with *Lights On* lightbulbs that students have designed. At least 50 parents are expected.

**Austin, Texas:** Rhonda Jones, ACE Austin - Perez Elementary School, 512-841-9197, <a href="mailto:rhonda.jones@austinisd.org">rhonda.jones@austinisd.org</a>

For *Lights On Afterschool*, ACE Austin at Perez Elementary School will hold an open farm and garden on November 2nd from 6:00 to 7:00 PM. Community members are invited to participate

in the feeding of animals and to sample produce that is growing in the school garden at Perez Elementary School.

**Austin, Texas:** Ben Henderson, Boys & Girls Club of Austin NYOS (Not Your Ordinary School) Lamar Campus, 512-200-6171, BenHenderson@bgcaustin.org
For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Boys & Girls Club of Austin at NYOS Lamar Campus will host a family night on October 25th from 4:30 to 6:30 PM. Families and club members are invited to participate in fun activities together, including Painting with Family, multiplication BINGO, and a 24-math-card competition. The school principal and vice principal have been invited. At least 50 people are expected.

**Dallas, Texas:** Angelica Portillo, Dallas Afterschool, 214-306-8400, aportillo@dallasafterschool.org

On October 25th from 3:30 to 5:30 PM, Dallas Afterschool will host a celebration for *Lights On Afterschool* at the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library. There will be STEM activities (Wonderkits) for students to do. Dallas city council members, Dallas Independent School District Trustees, the Dallas Police Department, the Mayor's Star Council, and Texas State Legislators may all attend, as well as local news representatives. In addition, the Dallas skyline will be lit up in yellow. Approximately 200 people are expected.

Greenville, Texas: Afterschool Ambassador Johanna L. Friedel, Greenville Independent School District Afterschool Center for Education (ACE), 903-408-4433, friedelj@greenvilleisd.com Greenville ISD ACE program will have two days of events to celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*. October 24th will feature Open Houses at all ACE campuses serving students in grades K-12. Open Houses will feature artifacts, hands-on demonstrations of STEM activities, presentations, and ACE Student Ambassadors who will greet and explain the displays to parents, community members and government guests. Artifacts will be based on the *Lights On* theme. October 25th will feature the annual *Lights On* Rally at the Hunt County Courthouse. Featured guests and speakers will include Greenville Mayor David Drieling and Greenville ISD CFO, Deidra Reeves. There will be amazing presentations from students, including our NJROTC who will present colors and lead us in the pledge, dance presentations from our Crockett, Lamar and Travis/6th grade campuses as well as parent and student testimonials regarding the importance of quality afterschool programs.

**Houston, Texas:** Jonnelle Hollins, Houston ISD After School Programs, 713-556-6927, jhollins@houstonisd.org

In celebration of *Lights On Afterschool*, all afterschool programs in the Houston Independent School District are holding open houses on October 25th to showcase to parents and community members what students are able to do in their afterschool programs. In addition, the Greater

Houston *Lights On* Alliance will host a rally at City Hall at 10:00 AM to celebrate afterschool programs in the community and show the benefits of these programs to elected officials. Various city officials will speak at the rally and students from afterschool programs will do presentations.

**Lewisville, Texas:** Rachel Rodriguez, Communities in Schools of North Texas ACE, 972-538-9930, rrodriguez\_cis@dentonisd.org

Communities in Schools of North Texas ACE will have a spooky celebration for *Lights On Afterschool* on October 25th from 3:30 to 6:00 PM. There will be five different clubs for students to choose from, and students will be able to choose two clubs to participate in during the event. The club options will be science, crafts, physical games, cooking, and outside fun. There will be more than 80 people at this event.

Randolph Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas: Andrea Black, Joint Base San Antonio Randolph Youth Programs, 210-652-2088, andrea.black@us.af.mil
On October 25th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM, Joint Base San Antonio Randolph Youth Programs will host an afterschool social for *Lights On Afterschool*. There will be games, roller skating, an ice cream social and crafts. Students will decorate *Lights On* lightbulbs, which will be displayed throughout the facility. The FSS flight chief and deputy director have been invited. Approximately 200 people are expected.

**San Benito, Texas**: Afterschool Ambassador Jack Garcia, San Benito CISD Afterschool Program, 956-893-9516, jacgarcia@sbcisd.net

The San Benito CISD Afterschool Program will host its annual fall festival celebrating *Lights On Afterschool* on October 27th. The event will bring in crowds of all ages to enjoy a night of family fun with games, rides, food booths, haunted house and a costume contest. Several Afterschool Program centers in the Rio Grande Valley will join the San Benito Afterschool Program students in providing entertainment to the community during the event. Afterschool students will showcase all that they've learned during their enrichment classes by performing dance routines, playing live music (Rock Band), and demonstrating a robotics and chess competition. The San Benito Afterschool Program Teen DJ Club will provide music.

### <u>Utah</u>

**Ogden, Utah:** Nicole Hall, Ogden Youth Impact, Inc., 801-612-3001, nicole@youthimpactogden.org

On November 15th from 4:00 to 7:00 PM, Ogden Youth Impact will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with a dinner and raffle. There will be booths set up by many local organizations,

including Ogden Police, Weber State University, Red Cross, Ogden-Weber Applied Technology College and others. Approximately 300 people may attend.

**Ogden, Utah:** Tana Park, YMCA at Mount Ogden Junior High, tpark@ymcasaltlake.org
For *Lights On Afterschool*, YMCA at Mount Ogden Junior High hosted a carnival on October
10th from 3:30 to 6:30 PM. There were various activities for students to participate in, including henna tattoos, face painting, ring toss, crafts, and bouncy slide, among others. Grocery stores and produce stands donated pumpkins for a pumpkin-painting competition, with prizes donated from shops in the community. Fifteen community partners made donations to this event. Proceeds from the carnival will help students pay for an upcoming field trip. Some 200 people participated.

**Salt Lake City, Utah:** Noemi Flores, Bryant Middle School Afterschool, 385-206-7445, noemi.flores-luna@slcschools.org

On October 25th from 3:30 to 5:15 PM, parents and students are invited to celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with the Bryant Middle School Afterschool Program. There will be a lantern making activity for participants, and snacks will be provided. This is a great opportunity to see what the afterschool program has to offer for students. Approximately 70 people may attend.

Salt Lake City, Utah: Caleb Webb, Refugees Exploring the Foundations of Undergraduate Education in Science, 801-694-0971, webbmcaleb@gmail.com

On October 3rd from 4:00 to 6:00 PM, Refugees Exploring the Foundations of Undergraduate Education in Science hosted a *Lights On Afterschool* celebration for students and families. Dinner was served, and parents watched a video of students talking about their favorite activities in the afterschool program and their goals for the year. A representative from Planned Parenthood, a partner of the afterschool program, gave a presentation on what students can expect to learn this year. Approximately 30 people attended.

**Sandy, Utah:** Sadie Puzey, Sandy Elementary Shark School, 801-910-3600, sadie.puzey@canyonsdistrict.org

Sandy Shark Elementary Shark School in Sandy, Utah will host a *Lights On Afterschool* celebration on October 25th from 3:30 to 4:15 PM. The Academic Booster group of kindergarten through fifth grade students will present a poster about themselves and their interests. The K-1 tutoring group will present letter sounds with actions, and the second through fifth grade tutoring group will do reader's theater. As many as 30 people may attend.

### Vermont

**Burlington, Vermont**: Afterschool Ambassador Christy Gallese, Burlington Expanded Learning Opportunities, 802-540-0285, cgallese@bsdvt.org

On October 24th from 3:30 to 4:30 PM, the Burlington School District Expanded Learning Opportunities programs will participate in the 19<sup>th</sup> annual *Lights On Afterschool* event. Community members are invited to experience the afterschool programs firsthand as a guest for the day to build awareness and understanding of the benefits of afterschool and the opportunities available to students in the Burlington School District. Guests will have the opportunity to hear firsthand from students, parents and staff about the importance of afterschool, as well as experience a wide variety of program offerings, starting with a performance by the Burlington High School Dance Team. They will also learn about programs such as Be Above, Books and Cooks, Harry Potter's Potions, Ozo Bots and more.

**Highgate, Vermont:** Joyce Ashton, Highgate Crossroads Afterschool Program, jashton@fnwsu.org

On October 25th from 4:00 to 5:00 PM, the Highgate Crossroads Afterschool Program will hold an open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. Parents and administration are invited to visit the afterschool program to learn more about what it offers. Some 25 people are expected.

**Rutland, Vermont:** Kate Bosnich, Tapestry and EPIC Programs, 802-786-1935, <a href="mailto:kate.bosnich@rcpsvt.org">kate.bosnich@rcpsvt.org</a>

On October 24th from 4:00 to 5:00 PM, Tapestry and EPIC Programs in Rutland, Vermont will hold community open houses at eight different program locations for *Lights On Afterschool*. Dinner will be served. In addition, there will be enrichment stations, program tours, team building games, dance parties and cooking classes. Local politicians, the Vermont Secretary of Education, the Governor and the Mayor of Rutland all may attend. PEG TV will film a special at one of the program locations. More than 250 people are expected.

**Tunbridge, Vermont:** Lindsey Cole, Tunbridge One Planet, 802-889-3310, lcole@wrvsu.org
On November 16th from 3:00 to 5:50 PM, Tunbridge One Planet will host an open house at
Tunbridge Central School for *Lights On Afterschool*. This event is planned and executed by the
students in the afterschool program, and the entire school is invited. The students have created a
"cardboard arcade" with games they've invented and participants can win prizes by playing the
games. In addition, there will be marshmallow roasting, outside games, face painting, crafts and
snacks. Local representatives and community members have been invited. More than 50 people
are expected.

### Virginia

**Dumfries, Virginia:** Debbie Colston, Boys & Girls Club of Greater Washington, 703-441-0611, Dcolston@bgcgw.org

On October 24th from 3:30 to 6:00 PM, the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Washington will hold an event for *Lights On Afterschool*. There will be hands-on STEM activities and a singing program at which students will learn holiday songs. In addition, there will be a "power hour" of homework help. Parents are welcome. Approximately 70 people are expected.

**Fort Eustis Army Base, Newport News, Virginia:** Brandylynn Bolinsky, Fort Eustis School Age Care, 757-878-2662, brandylynn.l.bolinsky.naf@mail.mil

For *Lights On Afterschool*, Fort Eustis School Age Care will hold an open house on October 25th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM in the STEM room of the Youth Programs Building. Parents and children are invited to participate in hands-on activities, including working together to code with robots and building Lego masterpieces. Approximately 50 people are expected.

Hampton, Virginia: Tnikia Brown, Alternatives, Inc., 757-838-2330, tbrown@altinc.org
On October 25th from 4:30 to 6:30 PM, Alternatives, Inc. will hold an open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. All five active afterschool programs and the families that participate in them will gather at the Brittingham-Midtown Community Center to experience typical afterschool activities such as dance, "stretch and grow" and yoga. Students have been painting plastic lightbulbs and will display them at the community center. The mayor, vice mayor and school district superintendent have been invited. At least 350 people are expected.

**Lynchburg, Virginia:** Kenitho Martin, Boys & Girls Club of Greater Lynchburg, 434-846-1111, <a href="mailto:kmartin@bgclynchburg.org">kmartin@bgclynchburg.org</a>

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Boys & Girls Club in Lynchburg, Virginia will hold an open house on October 25th from 5:00 to 5:30 PM. This will be an opportunity for interested parents to learn more about the afterschool programming available for children in the area. Light refreshments will be served. The mayor may attend. Approximately 200 people are expected.

**Newport News, Virginia:** Deborah Pope-Johnson, Carver Elementary School, 757-746-4233, deborah.popejohnson@nn.k12.va.us

On October 25th from 3:30 to 5:50 PM, Carver Elementary School will host a carnival and parents meeting for *Lights On Afterschool*. There will be STEM activities for students to participate in, provided by the Girl Scouts of the Colonial Coast and Amazing Athletes. There will also be an inflatable obstacle course available to play on. Light refreshments will be served. The school superintendent, school board members, and the mayor may attend. Some 200 families are expected.

**Richmond, Virginia**: Marci Goode, Glen Lea Elementary, 804-228-2725, <a href="magoode@henrico.k12.va.us">magoode@henrico.k12.va.us</a>

On October 24th, Glen Lea Elementary will host a Fall Festival for *Lights On Afterschool*. From 5:00 to 5:20 PM, there will be a program tour and observation of classroom enrichment for students in the third through fifth grades . The Festival will be from 5:20 to 7:30 PM, and will include family activities such as trunk or treating, a petting zoo, a pumpkin patch, family photos, a cakewalk, face painting, musical chairs and Cornhole. In addition, the Virginia Center for Restorative Justice will pass out information about "Being a Game Changer" in your community, the Women's Junior League will provide books to children and families, and VCU Health Core will pass out toothbrushes and toothpaste to families and talk about dental hygiene. At least 100 people are expected.

# Washington

**Bellingham, Washington:** Geof Morgan, Communities in Schools of Whatcom-Skagit, 360-927-6300, geof@ciswhatcom.org

For *Lights On Afterschool*, Communities in Schools of Whatcom-Skagit will hold events at Shuksan Middle School and Mt. Baker Middle School. Parents are invited to learn more about the afterschool programming available at their child's school. There will also be a photo booth for fun family pictures. School staff, parents, local partners and students are invited. Approximately 200 people are expected.

**Monroe, Washington:** Jennifer Farlow, YMCA of Snohomish County - Monroe Family Branch, 360-804-2176, JFarlow@ymca-snoco.org

The YMCA of Snohomish County will host open houses for *Lights On Afterschool* on October 25th from 4:30 to 6:30 PM. The events will take place at three afterschool locations: Maltby Elementary School, Chain Lake Elementary School, and Fryelands Elementary School. There will be fall-themed science and art activities for students and parents to participate in together. Students, parents, teachers and YMCA staff are invited. More than 100 people may participate.

**Newport, Washington:** Vickie Blanchet, Newport School District - Grizzly Discovery Center, 509-447-3167, <u>blanchetvickie@newportgriz.com</u>

On October 25th from 4:00 to 5:00 PM, the Grizzly Discovery Center will host an open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. Members of the community are invited to the afterschool program to learn about available activities. K-4th grade students will participate in the National 4-H Science Day Coding Project and Nickelodeon Day of Play activities. Middle and high school students will participate in regular afterschool classes, which include zombie science, book writing, and

art. The art class will be doing a pixel picture project, which connects with coding. The superintendent, school board, county commissioners, and school principals have been invited.

**Seattle, Washington:** Hope Grant, Skate Like a Girl, 888-401-0195, <a href="https://hope@skatelikeagirl.com">hope@skatelikeagirl.com</a> On October 25th from 2:40 to 3:40 PM, Skate Like a Girl in Seattle, Washington will host an event for *Lights On Afterschool* at Beacon Hill International Elementary School. There will be a skateboarding clinic for students in the afterschool program to learn and work on skateboarding skills. At least 15 people are expected.

**White Swan, Washington:** Shelly Craig, Mt. Adams School District 21st Century Community Learning Center, 509874-8638, <a href="mailto:scraig@masd209.org">scraig@masd209.org</a>

On October 25th from 3:30 to 5:30 PM, the Mt. Adams School District 21st Century Community Learning Center will hold an open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. This event will showcase to parents and families the activities the afterschool program offers. There will be a guest from First Nations MESA (mathematics, engineering, science, achievement) to facilitate a STEM activity with circuits.

## West Virginia

Charleston, West Virginia: Barbie Little: West Virginia Statewide Afterschool Network, 304-222-2354, <u>barbara.little@mail.wvu.edu</u>,

The West Virginia Statewide Afterschool Network will partner with the Community Transformation Project, Raleigh County 4-H program and the West Virginia University Institute of Technology for a *Lights On Afterschool* event on October 25th from 4:00 to 5:30 PM. The event will include 4-H National Youth Science Day Code Your World activities and activities from a healthy living program taught by teen Health Ambassadors called Rethink Your Drink. The mayor and other local officials have been invited. Approximately 30 people are expected.

**Huntington, West Virginia:** Pamela Shope, Playmates Preschool and Child Development Center, 304-908-3368, <u>pamelashope@aol.com</u>

For *Lights On Afterschool*, Playmates Preschool and Child Development Center will hold a "Spooky Science Fest" on October 25th from 1:00 to 4:00 PM at the Westmoreland Teen Center. There will be pumpkin carving, face painting, Cornhole, an escape room, and teens will facilitate STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) stations. Chili and cake will be served. Approximately 150 children and adults are expected.

**Kingwood, West Virginia:** Susie Huggins, After School Explorers, 304-288-5244, preston21stcentury@yahoo.com

On October 29th from 5:00 to 7:00 PM, After School Explorers will partner with Project Success, the Preston Prevention Partnership, and Main Street Kingwood to host an event for *Lights On Afterschool*. There will be activities for children and families, including Touch a Truck, a cupcake walk, dime toss, a Lego station, a modern family photo station, and rock painting. There will also be a hopscotch station in honor of Nickelodeon Worldwide Day of Play. West Virginia Caring is providing free storybooks for attendees. In addition, there will be more than 40 vendor stations that will offer treats, with volunteers dressed as their favorite storybook characters. More than 300 people are expected.

## Wisconsin

**Madison, Wisconsin:** Simone LaMarche, Wisconsin Youth Company Afterschool, 608-276-9782, slamarche@wisconsinyouthcompany.org

On October 24th and 25th, Madison Youth Company Afterschool will host events at 26 afterschool locations in Dane and Waukesha Counties for *Lights On Afterschool*. Students have been creating posters about what they love about afterschool, and they will be hung in the county municipal building. Each event is an opportunity for parents and families to learn more about the the afterschool program at the school. There will be games and activities at each event for students. In addition, staff, kids and families will get buttons and stickers to spread the message about the importance of afterschool in their communities.

Madison, Wisconsin: Angela Tortorice, Goodman Community Center, 608-712-3002, <a href="mailto:angela@goodmancenter.org">angela@goodmancenter.org</a>

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Goodman Community Center held a family fun night focused on health and wellness on October 18th from 5:15 to 7:00 PM. Dinner was served, followed by activities. There was a glow garden, OST rocks, mindfulness journals, button making and a youth vs. adult basketball game. Approximately 150 people attended.

**Marshfield, Wisconsin:** Mary Peterson, Lincoln Educational Afterschool Program (LEAP), 715-387-1296, petersonm@marshfieldschools.org

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Lincoln Educational Afterschool Program will hold an open house on October 25th from 3:00 to 5:30 PM. Students will showcase their work from the program, including a video that they made about afterschool. In addition, students have created a food menu for guests, and decorated the afterschool space with posters and banners. Students and families will also get to participate in games and activities together. The superintendent, school board members, and other administrators have been invited. Approximately 50 people are expected.

Milwaukee, Wisconsin: Alex Coates, YMCA School Aged Child Care, acoates@ymcamke.org
On October 26th from 4:30 to 6:00 PM, YMCA School Aged Child Care at Stellar Collegiate
will host a Halloween-themed event for *Lights On Afterschool*. School staff will decorate their
car trunks, and students will be able to trick or treat from car to car. There will also be
arts-and-crafts available in the cafeteria. More than 30 people are expected. YMCA SACC will
also host an event at Hales Corners Elementary on October 21st from 4:30 to 6:00 PM. Parents
are invited to paint pumpkins with their children when they come to pick them up from their
regular afterschool program. Approximately 50 people are expected.

**Sheboygan, Wisconsin:** Anna Montgomery, Boys & Girls Clubs of Sheboygan County, 920-457-8200, amontgomery@thepositiveplace.com

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Sheboygan County will hold an event on October 25th from 3:00 to 7:00 PM. The event will be "A Day in the Life" themed, and will invite community members to see what it's like to be a Boys & Girls Club member and why afterschool programs are so important to children. Local politicians and members of the media have been invited.

**Siren, Wisconsin:** Bret Iverson, Dragon Learning Center, 715-349-2278, biverson@siren.k12.wi.us

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Dragon Learning Center in Siren will host a Family Night on October 25th from 5:00 to 6:00 PM. There will be activities for children and community members, including a pumpkin contest, apple sundae making, and games. There will also be presentations from students, and student work will be displayed in the school common space. The mayor, school board and local newspaper representatives may attend. Approximately 100 people are expected.

## **Wyoming**

Cheyenne, Wyoming: Dana Kasmedo, Boys & Girls Club of Cheyenne, 307-778-6674, <a href="mailto:dkasmedo@bgcchey.org">dkasmedo@bgcchey.org</a>

On October 25th from 5:00 to 6:00 PM, the Boys & Girls Club of Cheyenne will host a Family Night for *Lights On Afterschool*. There will be Halloween-themed STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) challenges for students and families. In addition, there will be a Member of the Month announcement, giveaways and food. The school principal may attend. Approximately 40 people are expected.

**Douglas, Wyoming:** Terri Perry, Converse County Library, 307-358-3644 tperry@conversecountylibrary.org

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Converse County Library will host an open house for local children and parents on October 25th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. Twenty local youth programs will staff tables with family resources for attendees to visit and gather information. The local sheriff will discuss the importance of afterschool activities. The mayor may attend and 200 people are expected.