2019 Representative Sample of Local Events

**Alabama**

**Ardmore, Alabama:** Damien Chisholm, Boys & Girls Clubs of North Alabama, Ardmore Club, 256-652-3091, dchisholm@bgcnal.com
The Boys & Girls Clubs (BGC) of North Alabama, Ardmore Club will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* on Friday, October 25 from 4:00 to 6:00 PM with a fall festival. The entire community is invited to celebrate afterschool programs at the festival. Children will gather on the football field to spell out “BGC,” with each holding a fluorescent lightbulb or glow stick to ‘shine a light on afterschool.’ A drone will photograph the children from above. More than 50 people are expected.

**Auburn, Alabama:** Dr. Trellis Smith, I Am My Brother’s Keeper, 334-728-0309, iambk@ymail.com
For *Lights On Afterschool*, I Am My Brother’s Keeper will host an open house on Thursday, October 24 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at the Frank Brown Recreation Center. Parents and community members are invited to learn about the afterschool program, tour a display room showcasing various art and STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities, and observe the program’s tutoring, reading, health, nutrition and creative dance activities. The event will include testimonials from a parent, a board member, a volunteer, a partner, and students. Approximately 60 people are expected, including Mayor Ron Anders Jr.; Superintendent Kristen Herring of Auburn City Schools; representatives from the Auburn City Council; and other business and community leaders.

**Bay Minette, Alabama:** Michele Hall, Baldwin County High School 21st Century Community Learning Centers, 251-937-2341, mjhall@bcbe.org
On Saturday, October 19 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, Baldwin County High School 21st Century Community Learning Centers celebrated *Lights On Afterschool* with an open house and family cookout. The event showcased the leadership and STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities that take place during the afterschool program. Approximately 100 students and their families are expected.
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 hosted the annual Lights On Afterschool event on October 18th from 4:00 to 5:30 PM. Students and families participate in a Field Day with Tug of War, Potato Sack Race, Socks War, and Mummy Wrap. Approximately 100 people participated. The Glen Iris Elementary School event will be held on October 31 from 4:00 – 5:30 PM, and the Martha Gaskins event on October 30 from 4:00 – 5:30 PM. Both will be Halloween STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) events with Halloween-themed activity stations. Other sites are hosting Lights On Afterschool open houses throughout October.

Birmingham, Alabama: Elizabeth Sklivis, Central Park After School Care Program, 205-231-1290, frecklessklivis@gmail.com
For Lights On Afterschool, Central Park After School Care Program will host an open house on Thursday, October 24 from 4:00 to 5:30 PM. Parents and community members are invited to learn about the projects students have been working on in the program. In particular, students will showcase their STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) projects and demonstrate 3-D design. More than 60 people are expected.

Brantley, Alabama: LaFreda Griff, Crenshaw County Board of Education, 334-335-6519, lgriffin@crenshaw-schools.org
For Lights On Afterschool, the Crenshaw County Board of Education will host a 21st Century Afterschool Program Open House on Tuesday, October 22 from 5:30 to 6:30 PM. Parents and community members are invited. Children will display STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) projects and fall arts-and-crafts, as well as perform a recital and a skit. Brantley Mayor Bernie Sullivan will speak. Approximately 60 people are expected.

Kinston, Alabama: Dawn Smith, Kinston Community Learning Center, 334-565-3016, smithd@coffeecounty.k12.al.us
Kinston Community Learning Center hosted an open house on Wednesday, October 17 from 4:00 to 7:00 PM for Lights On Afterschool. Teachers met with parents and showcased what goes on in the afterschool program, and students participated in physical fitness activities. More than 50 people attended.

Mobile, Alabama: Michelle Middleton, Boys & Girls Club of South Alabama, 251-525-7163, mmiddleton@bgcsouthal.org
On Thursday, October 31 from 4:00 to 6:00 PM, the Boys & Girls Club of South Alabama will celebrate Lights On Afterschool with a fall festival. The festival will feature Trunk Or Treat with community volunteers, a cooking activity with the Alabama Extension, an organized free play in the gym for Nickelodeon Kids Day with music and a giant blow-up basketball hoop, and a harvest costume fashion show.

Russellville, Alabama: Angela Crittenden, Tiger P.A.W.S. (Practice respect, Accept responsibility, Wise choices, Stay focused) Program, 256-331-2123, angela.crittenden@rcs.k12.al.us
Tiger P.A.W.S. will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with a literacy-themed open house on Thursday, October 24 from 3:15 to 5:15 PM. Parents and community members are invited to see what goes on in the afterschool program. Several special guests will read stories to the children: Alabama Bicentennial Commission Representative Carol Fretwell, Superintendent Heath Grimes, Central Office Administrative Assistant Claudia Askey, Book Lovers Study Club Representative Claudia Askew, and published author and professional storyteller Gayle McAlister.

**Alaska**

**Anchorage, Alaska:** Alex Nichols, Woodland Park Boys & Girls Club, 907-248-5437 x485, anichols@bgcalaska.org

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Woodland Park Boys & Girls Club will host a Halloween-themed carnival on Thursday, October 24 from 6:00 to 9:00 PM. It will feature a haunted house, a bounce castle, a photo booth, games and candy. Community members will decorate their cars’ trunks and fill them with candy for “Trunk or Treat.” More than 100 people are expected, including State Senator Cathy Giessel.

**Eagle River, Alaska:** Tracy Hupe, Eagle River Boys & Girls Club, 907-694-5437, thupe@bgcalaska.org

On Thursday, October 24 from 4:00 to 6:00 PM, the Eagle River Boys & Girls Club will host an open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. The event will begin with a math marathon at which students compete to finish times sheets with addition, subtraction and multiplication problems. Students will also create and decorate a lightbulb lantern craft using bags and battery-powered string lights. The event will conclude with a game of glow stick tag. The Sleeping Lady Mountain Lions, Navy Recruiters, Elks Club, Rotary Club, and Army Recruiters will assist. Approximately 90 people are expected.

**Fairbanks, Alaska:** Afterschool Ambassador Courtney Havrilek, 21st Century Community Learning Centers, Fairbanks NSB School District, 907-456-7794 x17675, Courtney.havrilek@k12northstar.org

Afterschool programs are joining with the community to celebrate *After School Is Out of This World!* on Thursday, October 24 from 5:30 - 7:30 PM at Ryan Middle School for *Lights On Afterschool*. This event is focused on NASA Space Science Activities in the combined areas of science, technology, engineering and math (STEM). The Fairbanks North Star Borough School District 21st Century Community Learning Centers, 4-H, the Boys & Girls Club of Fairbanks, and the University of Alaska Museum of the North will host a community dinner and special activities including star-gazing in the portable planetarium, virtual reality trips to space, robotics challenges, engineering design activities, and more.

**Homer, Alaska:** Chris Etzweiler, STEAM Team, 907-226-1870, cetzwiler@kpbsd.k12.ak.us

STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) Team will hold *Lights On Afterschool* celebrations at each of its five sites between Monday, October 21 and Thursday, October 24. Each celebration will be an open house at which people can experience the afterschool program’s activities first hand. To celebrate the program’s unit on arthropods, students will build vibrating toothbrush bots with LED lights that zoom around on smooth surfaces. Students will also share
information about projects they have completed this year. District school board members and local elected officials are invited.

**Juneau, Alaska:** Amelia Jenkins, Juneau Public Library, 907-586-0451, amelia.jenkins@juneau.org
On Saturday, October 26 from 2:00 to 4:00 PM, the Juneau Public Library will host a *Lights On Afterschool* open house at Mendenhall Valley Public Library. A high school science teacher, the agriculture club, and three locally known actresses will collaborate to re-enact the three witches scene from Shakespeare’s *Macbeth*, complete with all the ingredients, from eye of newt to toe of frog, followed by a spooky storytime. Some 100 to 150 people are expected.

**Kenai, Alaska:** Samantha Nelson, Boys & Girls Clubs of the Kenai Peninsula, 907-260-4342, spizzuto@bgckp.com
The Boys & Girls Clubs of the Kenai Peninsula will host an event titled “Medicine, Me & Responsibility” for *Lights On Afterschool* on Thursday, October 24 from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. The police department will talk with students about why it is important not to take medicine they have not been prescribed, and what students can do if they find medicine that is not theirs. Families will tour the facility and the event will include dessert and drinks. Some 60 to 75 people are expected.

**Arizona**

**Tempe, Arizona:** Afterschool Ambassador Jeremy King, 480-350-5487, jeremy_king@tempe.gov
The Kid Zone Enrichment Program will host events 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 a Tornado in a Bottle STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) project, Nutritious Apple Raisin Grams recipe, Catch® Active Games and Life-Sized Literacy. Tempe Mayor Mark Mitchell, Tempe city council members, and school district representatives will attend the event at Rover Elementary School. Tempe Diablo Charities will be present to award Kid Zone with a STEM grant check for $29,000.

**Casa Grande, Flagstaff and Surprise, Arizona:** Angel Cancino, 602-734-5434 x106
The Arizona Center for Afterschool Excellence will host three youth town halls in partnership with Arizona Town Hall and local organizations in Casa Grande, Flagstaff and Surprise. The roundtable discussions will offer high school and middle school age youth from across Arizona the opportunity to learn about, discuss and weigh in on crucial policy issues. These Future Leaders Town Hall events aim to educate, engage, and empower youth to take action on the topic of "Strong Families and Thriving Children" and the value of out-of-school time programming as a significant factor. The Town Halls engage students in respectful, consensus-based discussions designed to lead to development of real solutions to policy issues, and are particularly important in an era marked by polarization. The events are open to all middle school and high school age youth who would like to participate. In Casa Grande: October 24, 4:30 to 6:30 PM, Casa Grande Community Recreation Center, 1905 N. Peart Road. In Surprise: October 24, 3:00 to 5:00 PM, Valley Vista Performing Arts Center, 15550 N. Parkview Place. In Flagstaff, October 24, 4:00 to
6:00 PM, Coconino Community College, Lone Tree Campus Commons Area, 2800 S. Lone Tree Road (no parking permit required).

Arkansas

Hermitage, Arkansas: Lori McDougald, Hermitage Afterschool, 870-463-2235, lori.mcdougald@hermitageschools.org
Hermitage Afterschool will celebrate Lights On Afterschool with a “Pumpkins Light the Way” event on Thursday, October 24 from 4:30 to 6:30 PM at Hermitage High School. Students and parents will carve pumpkins using tools and patterns or free-style. Afterward, families will place LED lights inside the pumpkins and line the street leading to the school with them. More than 50 people are expected.

Little Rock, Arkansas: Laveta Wills-Hale, Arkansas Out-of-School Network, 501-280-0557, lwillsdale@astate.edu
More than one hundred students, parents and community leaders will gather inside the Arkansas State Capitol Rotunda Thursday, October 24 for a Lights On Afterschool rally and proclamation by Arkansas Governor Asa Hutchinson. In addition to Arkansas Out-of-School Network Lead Laveta Wills-Hale, Pulaski County Sheriff Eric Higgins and Little Rock Police Chief Keith Humphrey, who serves on the Council For a Stronger America’s Fight Crime: Invest in Kids committee, will highlight the importance of afterschool and summer learning programs in keeping young people safe and engaged outside the classroom. Participants will gather on the steps of the Arkansas State Capitol from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. The event will spotlight the range of programming across Arkansas, particularly those focused on science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), academic support, physical fitness, and those featuring community partners. Leaders will discuss new data about safety and juvenile crime in Arkansas from the report, From Risk to Opportunity: Afterschool Programs Keep Kids Safe.

Russellville, Arkansas: Cartha Canada, Boys & Girls Clubs of the Arkansas River Valley, 479-968-7819, tomcar@suddenlink.net
On Thursday, October 24 from 3:30 to 5:30 PM, the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Arkansas River Valley will celebrate Lights On Afterschool with a “10-Cent Carnival.” The carnival will include more than 15 games and activities which will each take one ticket, with each ticket sold for 10 cents. Staff and volunteers will provide information about the Club’s programming to potential members and the community. More than 200 people are expected.

Springdale, Arkansas: Afterschool Ambassador Ben Rediske, Camp War Eagle Service, Opportunity, Academics, and Recreation (SOAR), 479-750-2006, ben@campwareagle.org
For Lights On Afterschool, Camp War Eagle Service, Opportunity, Academics, and Recreation (SOAR) will host an event at The Jones Center on Thursday, October 24 from 4:00 to 5:30 PM. Parents and community members will travel through the experience of SOAR as a participant, experience a glimpse of what it is like to compete in the Amazing Shake, participate in STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) club, rock the stage with the SOAR Dance team, and more. The SOAR Theatre Club, Cheerleading Club and Dance Team will perform, and SOAR students will share why they love their afterschool program.
Fresno, California: Jessica Sanchez, EAH Housing, 559-460-8763, jessica.sanchez@eahhousing.org
On Thursday, October 24 from 4:00 to 5:00 PM, EAH Housing will host a Spooktacular Lights On Afterschool open house to celebrate the importance of afterschool programs. Families will visit the program at Summer Park Apartments and learn about what their children do after school. The event will showcase students’ Halloween art projects, which they have worked on for a month, and families will play “Worm Pie” and “Witches Broom Dance” -- a spooky version of musical chairs.

Inglewood, California: Angela Citizen, Inglewood Public Library, 310-412-5645, acitizen@cityofinglewood.org
To celebrate Lights On Afterschool, the Inglewood Public Library will host a family pumpkin carving on Thursday, October 24 at 3:30 PM. Children and their families are invited to come and use their creativity to connect with others and carve their very own pumpkins to take home. More than 100 people are expected.

Lemoore, California: Jeanette Hernandez, Naval Air Station Lemoore Youth Program, 559-998-4350, jeanette.hernandezca@navy.mil
The Naval Air Station Lemoore Youth Program will host a fall festival for Lights On Afterschool on Thursday, October 24 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. The festival will include face painting, carnival games, family games, crafts, a pumpkin patch, refreshments, a non-so-scary haunted house and live music by the program’s Teen Center band. Throughout October, the aircraft static display in front of the Youth Program building will be lit up in blue for Lights On. At the festival, youth and families will fill out lightbulb-shaped petitions to support afterschool and string them on a garland around the aircraft. More than 650 people are expected, including the base’s executive officer.

Los Angeles, California: Geneva Barba, EduCare Foundation, 919-492-0418, geneva@educarefoundation.org
On October 24, 33 Los Angeles Unified School District Beyond the Bell Take Action Campaign High Schools will participate in Lights On Afterschool. The events, which celebrate afterschool and raise community awareness about issues including breast cancer and homelessness, are planned by students with the schools’ Take Action Lead staff members. Many of the schools are inviting council and community members to participate, and to speak at the events. Some will host Halloween Carnivals and Trick-or-Treat events, and invite parents and elementary and middle school students to attend. The students who take part in the Beyond the Bell Take Action Campaign are dedicated leaders who are committed to making positive changes and spreading awareness in their communities.

Los Angeles, California: Carlota Merino, Youth Policy Institute, 213-268-9491, carlota.merino@ypiusa.org
Youth Policy Institute will celebrate Lights On Afterschool with an open house and outdoor movie night on Friday, October 25. At the open house, various clubs will showcase projects they have been working on: The American Sign Language club will sign the lyrics to a song, the
sports club will display pictures from its practices, and the art club will showcase its landscape canvases. Afterward, students and their families will enjoy an outdoor screening of a Halloween movie.

Los Angeles, California: Laura Beebe, LA’s BEST, 213-978-0801, laura.beebe@lacity.org
LA’s BEST Afterschool Enrichment will celebrate Lights On Afterschool on Thursday, October 24 at Buchanan Street Elementary School, from 3:30 to 5:30 PM. Speakers will call for increasing support of afterschool opportunities so that every child who needs a program has access to one, and discuss the benefits of afterschool programs, including inspiring children to learn, keeping them safe in the hours when juvenile crime peaks, and providing relief to working families. Scheduled speakers include Assemblymember Wendy Carrillo, Assembly District 51; Lisa Salazar, Director of Workforce & Education, Office of Mayor Eric Garcetti; Christopher Stevens, Deputy Chief, Los Angeles School Police; Andrew Said, Neighborhood Prosecutor, Office of the Los Angeles City Attorney; Eric Gurna, LA’s BEST President & CEO; LA’s BEST Afterschool program participants from Buchanan St. Elementary.

Merced, California: Harpreet Takhar, Merced County Office of Education, 209-381-5934, htakhar@mcoe.org
The 18th annual Lights On Afterschool festival in Merced County will take place Thursday, October 24 from 5:00 to 8:00 PM in downtown Merced. Two-and-a-half major streets will close for the festival. On one street, community organizations will set up tables and share information about the resources they offer. On another street, children will play games to win prizes. In between, law enforcement and first responders will display a fire truck, ambulance and police vehicles that children can tour. The festival will include a costume contest, dance and vocal performances from afterschool programs and community groups, and a parade. Approximately 2,500 people are expected.

San Diego, California: Tracy Williams, Black Mountain Middle School’s After School Education and Safety, 858-484-1300 x3077, twilliams@powayusd.com
Black Mountain Middle School’s (BMMS) After School Education and Safety (ASES) program will hold a Lights On Afterschool celebration on Thursday, October 24 from 3:30 to 5:00 PM. At the event, parents and supporters will have the opportunity to sign a petition that urges lawmakers not to deny or divert funding for afterschool programs and experience “a day in the life of after school.” The event will spotlight a range of after school offerings at BMMS, including STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities, physical fitness, arts-and-crafts, nutritious snacks, academic support, and more. KIND Snacks Company will provide a “KIND Kids Zone” with fun entertainment for students, plus KIND Snacks for all. Hundreds of students, parents, supporters and community members are expected.

San Francisco, California: Afterschool Ambassador Leslie Einhorn, Children’s After School Arts (CASA), 415-652-6263, leslie@CASAsf.org
On Thursday, October 24 from 5:00 to 8:00 PM at Rooftop School, Afterschool Special: An Evening of Advocacy, Pizza & Entertainment will feature a postcard-writing campaign to policymakers; thank you cards to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors; an invocation by The Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence; the presentation of a certificate by Rafael Mandelman, the supervisor for CASA’s district; a screening of the 2019 CASA musical ‘Escape to Llama Island’
(an original musical created in collaboration with professional writers, designers, directors and 200 CASA kids that explores growing up, friendship and identity); as well as a special surprise performance. That evening, San Francisco City Hall will be lit up in blue and gold in honor of two events: Lights On Afterschool and the Golden State Warriors’ move to a new arena.

San Jose, California: Mara Wold, Santa Clara County After School Collaborative, 408-313-6059, mwold@montereycoe.org
For Lights On Afterschool, the Santa Clara County After School Collaborative (SCCASC) celebrates by honoring outstanding Expanded Learning partners on Friday, October 18 from 8:00 AM to 9:30 AM. The SCCASC Annual Breakfast of Champions celebrated principals, teachers, custodians, local elected officials, parent volunteers and other community leaders who have worked to ensure high quality before- and afterschool and summer programming. Nominated by SCCASC member agencies, these individuals were honored for their collaborative efforts with local community-based organizations and school districts that operate programs for the students who are most in need of support. City of San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo and Dr. Mary Ann Dewan, Santa Clara County Superintendent of Schools, along with the 2019 Boys and Girls Clubs Youth of the Year are all featured speakers. Folklorico dancers and a youth singer from the programs will also perform.

Santa Monica, California: Brian Sousa, 310-361-8500 x228 or 909-419-4317, bsousa@smbgc.org
The Santa Monica Boys & Girls Club will help raise awareness of afterschool programming by inviting local schools and community members to attend its facility as a "club kid" free for the day for Lights On Afterschool. Guests will participate in various activities such as a games room, carnival, outdoor sports and recreation clinics, art projects and a career path dash activity. Snack bars will be provided to guests, courtesy of KIND. The event will take place on October 24 from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.

Colorado

Avon, Colorado: Melissa Wills, YouthPower365, 970-748-5947, mwills@vvf.org
Afterschool Ambassador Sarah Johnson of YouthPower365, together with staff and volunteers, will host a VIP Program Tour of the afterschool program at Homestake Peak Elementary School in celebration of Lights On Afterschool. During and immediately after the tour, participants will learn about the variety of fun, educational activities that take place at the program, including the many ways YouthPower365 children learn, grow and interact outside of the regular school day hours. (Please RSVP to Melissa Wills at the number or email above.) The event at Homestake Peak Elementary runs from 3:30 to 5:30 PM on October 24, and is followed by a post-event gathering at the restaurant Prosit, where guests will enjoy games focusing on fun facts about afterschool.

Jefferson County, Colorado: Michael Peppel, Foothills Park and Recreation District, 303-409-2510, mpeppel@fhprd.org
The Foothills Park and Recreation District will host Lights On Afterschool events at all 14 of its afterschool sites. These include an open house at the Collegiate Academy of Colorado in Littleton with a “glow in the dark” theme from 3:00 to 6:00 PM on October 24. The event will
feature distribution of goodie bags prepared by students, and a glow-in-the-dark dance party. The Hutchinson Elementary site in Lakewood will also feature a “glow in the dark” open house. Glow sticks will be distributed and participants will join in active games, including Ninja Dodgeball, followed by various STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities, including snap circuits and paper tube light sabers. The event will run from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. The Devinny Elementary site in Lakewood will host a nutrition- and engineering-themed open house that will feature the preparation of healthy snacks, such as “ants on a log” (celery, peanut butter and raisins), Legos, thistle blocks, craft sticks and more. The event will run from 3:30 to 6:00 PM.

Greely, Colorado: Judiane Koch, High Plains Library District, 970-302-3370, JKoch@highplains.us
The High Plains Library District is partnering with the Colorado State University Cooperative Extension 4-H for its Lights On Afterschool event celebrating the Rodarte Community Center’s 40 years of commitment to quality afterschool programming for youth. The event will have a “Rocket Science” focus, with students investigating the forces of flight – thrust, draft, lift, etc. – by creating and testing straw and stomp rockets. A reception will follow. Invited guests include representatives from various stakeholder organizations, as well as municipal officials. The October 24 program at the Rodarte Community Center, will run from 4:30 to 5:30 PM, with a one-hour reception beginning at 5:30 PM.

Connecticut

Stamford, Connecticut: Lamar Ranger, Boys & Girls Club of Stamford, 203-324-0594, lranger@bgcastmford.org
On Friday, October 25, the Boys & Girls Club of Stamford will host an open house at its Yerwood site to celebrate Lights On Afterschool. A number of community partners will showcase the services they offer to members and families. In addition, at 6:30 PM, participants can take a tour of the building to learn about the various activities and programs offered. There will be Halloween activities and candy for the students, followed by snacks and refreshments at 7 PM from 5:30 to 7:30 PM.

Wethersfield, Connecticut: Caroline Fazzina, Keane on Kids After School Enrichment Program, 860-416-4510, keanelightsonafterschool@gmail.com
On Tuesday, October 22 from 6:30 to 8:30 PM, Keane on Kids hosted a Lights On Afterschool Expo Family Fun Night. Program providers demonstrates student afterschool activities, including cooking, “Mad Science,” chess, art, Legos and more. The event featured hands-on activities, demonstrations, give-aways, and raffles. The night before, on the 21st, at a meeting of the Town Council, the Mayor signed a proclamation declaring October 22 Lights On Afterschool Day in Wethersfield. All Wethersfield Elementary School families were invited to the events at the Wethersfield Community Center.

Delaware

Dover, Delaware: Dwayne Henry Jr., East Dover Elementary, Dwayne.Henry@capital.k12.de.us, 302-672-1655
On Thursday, October 24, from 4:00 to 5:30 PM, 21st Century Student Learning & Achievement Matters (S.L.A.M.) at East Dover Elementary will celebrate Lights On Afterschool with an open house. The program’s chess club, 4-H, Eastside Animators, Eastside Crafters, and Young Entrepreneurs will showcase their work. The event will also include cookie decorating and drumming. District leaders and local policy makers may attend.

**Wilmington, Delaware:** Essence Miller, Fraim Boys & Girls Club, 302-655-4591, emiller@bgclubs.org
To celebrate Lights On Afterschool, the Fraim Boys & Girls Club will host an open house on Thursday, October from 4:30 to 6:00 PM. Parents and community members are invited to meet the program’s teacher and see the classroom in action. The event will showcase the program’s art and computer projects. More than 60 people are expected.

**District of Columbia**

**Washington, DC:** Afterschool Ambassador Daniela Grigioni, After-School All-Stars, Washington DC (ASAS DC), 202-759-1084, Daniela.grigioni@afterschoolallstars.org and Patrick Giblin, ASAS DC, 202-510-9710, Patrick.giblin@afterschoolallstars.org.
ASAS DC will host a Lights On Afterschool student showcase at Leckie Education Campus in Ward 8 of Washington D.C. from 4:30 – 6:00 PM on Thursday, October 24. “Lights On For Arts” is the theme of the evening, which will feature student performances and presentations connected to the arts-centric afterschool programs at Leckie. ASAS DC students will perform dance and poetry numbers, provide healthy snacks from culinary arts class, present ‘lightbulb’ artwork to Afterschool Alliance staff members from mixed media class, and produce a fashion show using designs created in fashion design class. ASAS D.C. primarily serves middle school grades. As Leckie is an education campus that features grades PreK3-8th, ASAS DC is collaborating with the other afterschool programs within the campus: Fishing School and Leckie Lions, to include them and feature the artistic work of students in the lower grades. Some 100 people, including students, staff, Leckie families/parents, and Ward 8 community members, are expected. A representative from Mayor Muriel Bowser’s office will attend, and several D.C. councilmembers including Ward 8 Councilmember Trayon White have been invited, along with the Deputy Mayor for Education Paul Kihn.”

**Washington, DC:** Essence Newhoff, Sitar Arts Center, 202-797-2145 x101, essence@sitarartscenter.org
Sitar Arts Center will celebrate Lights On Afterschool with its annual Costume Party October 25 from 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM. Guests will dress up and join in fun activities with Sitar staff, volunteers, friends, and family. Activities will include crafts, games, and fun prizes, plus free snack bars for attendees, courtesy of KIND.
Florida

Brandon, Florida: NaTasha McKeller, Carey Family Brandon Boys & Girls Club, 813-444-0375, nmckeller@bgctampa.org
For Lights On Afterschool and National Emotional Wellness Month, the Carey Family Brandon Boys & Girls Club will host ‘WISH YOU WELLness’ on Thursday, October 24 from 3:00 to 6:00 PM. The event will educate, empower and encourage students to both acknowledge and handle their feelings in a positive way, as well as remind them they have a place where the lights are on afterschool for them to engage with caring adults. Different rooms in the Club facility will represent different outlets students can turn to in times of emotional distress. Instructors will visit to lead students in yoga and kick-boxing, police deputies will teach self-defense and healthy aerobics, and students will engage in painting, music, and writing. Parents will receive information about resources they can use to help their children cope with emotional issues.

Coral Springs, Florida: Alison Bregman-Rodriguez, YMCA of South Florida, 954-623-5555 ext 1204, abregman-rodriguez@ymcasouthflorida.org
The YMCA of South Florida is hosting multiple afterschool programs at Maplewood Elementary School for a Lights On Afterschool celebration to include 300 guests. Guests will enjoy a meal, and fun activities provided by afterschool partners in the community. KIND will provide free snack bars and compliment cards for guests to fill out and be kind to each other.

Palm Beach County, Florida: Afterschool Ambassador Suzette Harvey, Prime Time Palm Beach County, 561-732-8066 x104, SHarvey@primetimepbc.org
Prime Time Palm Beach County will host a bus tour for Lights On Afterschool from 2:30 to 4:30 PM on October 24. The bus tour will include stops at two afterschool programs where riders will observe Prime Time Expanded Learning Opportunities (ELO), including the Florida Fishing Academy Mobile Marine Lab and the Green Mouse Academy, a technology arts program, conduct sessions with students. Prime Time Palm Beach County also invites families and friends to its 15th annual Lights On Afterschool celebration, to be held in conjunction with Clematis by Night, a weekly outdoor music festival hosted by the City of West Palm Beach. Prime Time will celebrate the important role afterschool programs play in the lives of children, families and communities by presenting proclamations, remarks by Prime Time leaders, and fun and engaging hands-on activities provided by expert content providers who bring high quality experiential activities into afterschool programs. Prime Time anticipates approximately 200 people will participate.

Santa Rosa, Florida: Taylor Goode, Boys & Girls Club of the Emerald Coast-South Walton, 850-622-0602, tgoode@bgcec.com
On October 24 at 4:30 PM, the Boys & Girls Club of the Emerald Coast-South Walton will host their seventh annual Lights On Afterschool Talent Show. Students begin rehearsing for the annual showcase in September. At the show, they will perform choreographed dances, sing songs, demonstrate gymnastics routines and more. More than 100 family members, community members and administrators are expected.
**St. Petersburg, Florida:** Jim Dymtrow and Norkita Murry, R’Club New Heights Elementary, 727-392-0212, jdymtrow@rclub.net

R’Club New Heights Elementary will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* on Thursday, October 24 from 3:00 to 6:00 PM with an open house. The celebration will showcase the many projects afterschool students have been working on this semester, and parents will compete against their children in interactive games. The celebration will also include a lightbulb art activity, a cookie walk, and pizza cut into many squares to symbolize how individuals make up the whole of a community. More than 125 people are expected. This event is one of 40 events held by R’Club for *Lights On Afterschool*.

**Tallahassee, Florida:** Kay Crawford, STEMS4Girls, 407-415-3788, stem7girls@gmail.com

In celebration of *Lights On Afterschool* STEMS4Girls, in collaboration with Boys & Girls Clubs of the Big Bend, will host a STEM Expo on Thursday, October 24, from 3:30 to 5:30 PM. At the expo, community partners will engage students, parents, and community members with STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities and demonstrations. For example, the National Magnetic Lab will facilitate hands-on activities, the Tallahassee Community College STEM Center will provide a robotics demonstration, the FAMU 4-H AgriSTEM Team will display an entomology table, and Youth Services at Leon County Main Library will showcase a telescope. The City of Tallahassee Community Redevelopment Agency has provided funding for the Expo and Publix, Sam’s Club, and Lucky’s Market have donated to the event. More than 50 people are expected, and local policy makers may attend.

**Tampa, Florida:** Nicole Angelo, Crestwood Elementary HOST (Hillsborough Out-of-School Time), 813-872-5374, nicole.angelo@sdhc.k12.fl.us

On Thursday, October 24 from 3:30 to 5:00 PM, Crestwood Elementary HOST will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* by teaching students to cope with stress and anxiety through movement. At the event, students will rotate through stations that teach techniques to help them calm down when feeling stressed, including yoga, Zumba, and GoNoodle. Students will then celebrate with a dance party. More than 200 students, family members and community members are expected.

**Tarpon Springs, Florida:** Ashley Martin, Boys & Girls Clubs of the Suncoast-Tarpon Springs Unit, 727-937-6837, amartin@bgcsun.org

The Boys & Girls Clubs of the Suncoast-Tarpon Springs Unit will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* and United Nations Day on Thursday, October 24 at 3:30 PM by promoting diversity and unity. Students will learn about the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child and will complete hands-on arts, crafts and science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) projects centered on children’s rights. The event will also include a physical activity.

**West Palm Beach, Florida:** Debra Johnson, Connections After the Bell, 561-328-6044, djohnson@connectedpb.com

Connections Education Center, a charter school for students on the autism spectrum, will hold an afterschool showcase for *Lights On Afterschool* on Wednesday, October 23, from 3:00 to 6:00 PM. Parents and community members will tour an art gallery featuring student work as well as a photo collage highlighting the afterschool programs’ activities.
Georgia

Atlanta, Georgia: Jossette Footmon-Smith, VOX ATL, 404-614-0040, josie@voxatl.org
For Lights On Afterschool, VOX ATL will hold an event releasing the results of their annual Atlanta Teen Survey on Thursday, October 24 from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. The Atlanta Teen Survey is a teen-led project created to fill an information gap present in the youth development field in Atlanta conducted over the spring and summer. Teens will present the highlights of their research, including results on teens’ out-of-school-time, use of social media, mental health, and places they feel valued. The event will feature audio and video Speak Out stations.

Dawson, Georgia: Dorothy Tomlin, Positive Directions Youth Center, Inc., 229-995-6251, tomlinh179@yahoo.com
On Thursday, October 17 from 4:00 to 6:30 PM, Positive Directions Youth Center will hold a carnival in celebration of Lights On Afterschool. Parents and community members will enjoy food and games and learn about what students in the afterschool program have been working on. Students will display posters explaining various STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities they’ve completed, and the robotics team will showcase their work. More than 150 people are expected, including local policymakers.

Epworth, Georgia: Victoria Turner, Fannin County Boys & Girls Club, 706-964-2582, fannincountyclub@bgcng.org
The Fannin County Boys & Girls Club will host a family engagement night to celebrate Lights On Afterschool on October 24 from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM. Students’ families will attend an art show featuring the art projects students completed this fall. Children and their families will also work together to paint and decorate pumpkins. As many as 50 people may attend.

Gwinnett County, Georgia: Afterschool Ambassador Tina Fleming, Gwinnett County Department of Community Services, 770-822-8890, Tina.Fleming@gwinnettcounty.com
Live Healthy Gwinnett will host a Lights On Afterschool family night out titled “Walk Among the Stars” on Thursday, October 24. It will take place at Collins Hill Park in Lawrenceville from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Participants will travel to Neverland and take part in STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities, crafts and fitness games and connect with community partners to learn about their initiatives taking place during out-of-school time. Sponsored by Aetna, Walk Among the Stars will feature Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta-Strong4Life, GUIDE, Inc., Gwinnett 4-H, Discovery Point, Gwinnett County Public Library, i9 Sports, Northside Hospital Gwinnett, Positive Impact, Gwinnett Health Department and other government divisions. To celebrate Lights On Afterschool, Live Healthy Gwinnett and out-of-school time community partners also were recognized by the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners during a proclamation on Tuesday, October 15 at their 2:00 PM business meeting.
**Hawaii**

**Honolulu, Hawaiʻi:** Paula Adams, Hawaiʻi Afterschool Ambassador, Hawaiʻi Afterschool Alliance, 808-351-0761, hawaiiafterschool@gmail.com
The Hawaiʻi Afterschool Alliance, After-School All-Stars, YMCA of Honolulu, Kamaʻaina Kids, Moʻiliʻili Community Center, and other afterschool programs will join this year’s *Lights On Afterschool* to celebrate and support afterschool programs, on October 23 at 2:45 PM. Hawaiʻi’s *Lights On Afterschool* event will be at the State Capitol Rotunda from 2:45 PM to 5:30 PM. Special guests are expected to include the actor Henry Ian Cusick, from “LOST,” and his wife, the theater director, Annie Cusick Wood; the actress Kimee Balmilero from “Hawaii 5-0;” and Augie T. and his daughter Mahealani. Afterschool students will showcase their talents for art, dance and music, provide testimonies, decorate the Capitol, and demonstrate their appreciation for afterschool programs by sign-waving on Beretania Street. The rally will be followed by remarks from representatives.

**Honolulu, Hawaiʻi:** Danielle Pierce, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam School Age Program, 808-448-4396, danielle.pierce@navy.mil
To celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*, the Hickam School Age Program will hold an open house on Thursday, October 24 from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. Families and community members are invited to see what the children do every day in the program and tour the facility’s performing arts room, game room, gym, library, laboratory, STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) MakerSpace, social-emotional growth room, design studio, playground, blacktop, field, garden, amphitheatre and cafe. The event will also feature a #LightbulbChallenge photo booth.

**Idaho**

**Emmett, Idaho:** Shannon Anderson, Emmett School District’s 21st Century afterschool program, 208-365-0877 x1359, sanderson@isd221.net
On November 7, 2019, from 5:30 to 7:30 PM, the Emmett School District is hosting a STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) Night for *Lights On Afterschool* that will feature activities for families and children of all ages, as well as food and raffle prizes. Invited guests include State Sen. Steven Thane. Shadow Butte Elementary School, 3900 W. Idaho Blvd.

**Payette, Idaho:** Jody Greif, Payette Primary School 21st CCLC Program, 208-642-3379, jogreif@payetteschools.org
Idaho Power and the City of Payette are supporting open house events at each of five afterschool sites on October 24, from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM: Payette Primary School, Westside School, Payette Public Library, Boys & Girls Club, and Payette Museum. Participants can tour all five events, by catching a free yellow school bus at any of the sites. At each stop participants will be able to tour facilities and learn about program offerings, see student displays, and participate in fun activities, from 3-D printing to make-and-take STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities sponsored by Idaho Public Television. Mayor Jeff Williams will sign a proclamation declaring October 24, 2019, *Lights On Afterschool* Day. Every location on the tour will spotlight something different, so participants will want to visit each one, and while there, have their tour “passports” stamped. Participants who complete the tour with all five stamps will be eligible for raffle prizes.
Illinois

Alpha, Illinois: Darla Ball, AlWood Advantage, 309-629-5011, balld@alwood.net
AlWood Advantage at AlWood Elementary School will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* on Thursday, October 24 from 4:00 to 5:00 PM. Children will decorate lightbulbs with various materials and hang them around their school to display during parent/teacher conferences the next day. Then, children will celebrate with a dance party titled “Dance Dance Dance.”

Bethalto, Illinois: Kylee Eveans, Boys & Girls Club of Bethalto, 618-377-6030, keveans6@gmail.com
To celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*, the Boys & Girls Club of Bethalto will hold a carnival on Thursday, October 24 from 1:00 to 4:00 PM. The carnival will include a spooky storytime, a ring toss, an art project, a photo booth, glitter tattoos, and more. More than 150 people are expected, including local police and Mayor Alan Winslow.

Bloomington, Illinois: Dr. Carla Campbell-Jackson, Mentoring And Providing Scholarships (MAPS) Program, 309-530-5211, dr.carlacampbell@gmail.com
On Saturday, October 26 and the following six consecutive Saturdays, Mentoring And Providing Scholarships (MAPS) Program will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with kindness-themed events at the Bloomington Housing Authority. At the events, volunteers will distribute school supplies, gently used clothes and KIND granola bars to residents at the Bloomington Housing Authority. As each student is provided with clothing items and school supplies, they will commit to one definitive way that they will make a positive difference in the lives of others. Bradley Ross Jackson, the 12-year-old founder of "B"radley "E"ncourages Kindness, will read a motivational poem and then place "kind" comments in the pockets of each clothing item for the children at the Housing Authority. Dr. Carla Campbell, Vice President of the Bloomington-Normal branch of the NAACP, will speak.

Carbondale, Illinois: Brittany Swims, Boys & Girls Club of Southern Illinois, 618-457-8877, bswims@bgcsi.org
Four Boys & Girls Club of Southern Illinois sites will hold celebrations for *Lights On Afterschool* on Friday, October 25. The Carbondale Middle School Site will host a family fall fest from with refreshments, program Bingo, and 3D Pen STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) competitions. The Lewis School Site will host a game night and open house. The Rebound Alternative High School Site will host a fall festival with pumpkin decorating, t-shirt decorating to bring awareness to domestic violence, musical chairs, and cake for first quarter graduates. The Springer Street Site will host an event titled “Charged UP” with STEM centered programming through a collaboration with the 4-H University of Illinois Extension. In total, more than 300 students, family members and community members are expected to participate.

Chicago, Illinois: Tonja Harris, BUILD, Inc., 773-227-2880, tonjarobinsonharris@buildchicago.org
On Thursday, October 24, BUILD, Inc. will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with events hosted at all four of its afterschool sites as well as its headquarters. Each event will feature hands-on STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) activities. Students will build neon
necklaces and bracelets and participate in a neon jump rope contest, draw, paint and sculpt, build a bench from scratch and present it to their school, build cars and rockets, and more. In total, more than 250 students, parents and community members are expected.

**Chicago, Illinois:** Andrea LeVasseur, Chicago Park District Wellness Team, 773-319-1421, andrea.levasseur@chicagoparkdistrict.com

The Chicago Park District Wellness Team will hold a *Lights On Afterschool* open house on Thursday, October 24 from 3:00 to 5:00 PM in Kilbourn Park. The event will spotlight the range of afterschool programming available at the Chicago Park District, including its organic greenhouse, learning garden, nature play space, nutrition education, and fitness activities. Parents, supporters and community members will take part in pumpkin carving, a garden tour and food tasting. Local policymakers may attend.

**East Saint Louis, Illinois:** Mironda Fifer, Lessie Bates Davis Neighborhood House Teen-REACH, 618-874-0777, mfifer@lbdnh.org

For *Lights On Afterschool*, multiple Lessie Bates Davis Neighborhood House Teen-REACH programs will hold a celebration on Thursday, October 24. The Mary Brown Center and Site 1 participants will host a parade at Lincoln Park celebrating the importance of afterschool programs keeping children safe after the school bell rings. After the parade, Site 1 students pass out flyers with information on *Lights On* in the community. St. Clair County Sites will hold an open house with games, contests, prizes and refreshments.

**La Grange, Illinois:** Matt Schiavone, The LeaderShop, 708-579-5898, matts@theleadershop.org

On Thursday, October 24 at 3:30 PM, The LeaderShop will hold a community *Lights On Afterschool* celebration at the La Grange Community Center. The event will spotlight the center’s tutoring and homework help services and will also include a volunteer project, team building games and sports.

**Machesney Park, Illinois:** Sheila Becker, Boys & Girls Club of Rockford - Carlson Unit, 815-633-2287, sbecker@rockfordboysandgirlsclub.org

To celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*, Boys & Girls Club of Rockford Carlson Unit will host a family event on Friday, October 25 from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. Students and their families will enjoy carnival games, bounce houses, a haunted house, and Trunk or Treat with community volunteers. More than 60 people are expected.

**Orland Park, Illinois:** Amanda Speakman, The Bridge Teen Center, 708-532-0500, amanda@thebridgeteencenter.org

The Bridge Teen Center will host “Project Give: Lightbulb Messages” for *Lights On Afterschool* on Thursday, October 24 from 4:00 to 5:00 PM. Students will celebrate *Lights On* by performing random acts of kindness. Staff will lead students in writing heartfelt messages of encouragement and inspiration to surprise friends and acquaintances.
**Palatine, Illinois:** Kathy Millin, iCompete, 847-776-9595, kdmillin@comcast.net
On Friday, October 25, iCompete will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with a “Trunk or Treat” event from 6:30 to 7:30 PM at Falcon Park Recreation Center. Children will wear costumes and trick or treat from car to car, and social service agencies will share information about community resources. Approximately 500 people are expected, including representatives from District 15, the Palatine Police Department, the Palatine Fire Department, local churches and members of the community.

**Tinley Park, Illinois:** Meghan Fenlon, Tinley Park - Park District’s The Pit Stop, 708-342-4213, meghan.fenlon@tinleyparkdistrict.org
The Pit Stop, a Teen Drop-in Center, will hold an open house for *Lights On Afterschool* on Thursday, October 24 from 4:00 to 8:00 PM. The open house will showcase the center’s freedom climbing wall, light gaming display board, ping pong, pool and air hockey areas, video games, and craft and wellness activities. The event will include snacks and giveaways.

**West Chicago, Illinois:** Susan Castrogiovanni, DREAM Program, 630-202-2212, scastrogiovanni@breakingfreeinc.org
For *Lights On Afterschool*, the DREAM Program will host a science fair on Thursday, October 24 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at Leman Middle School. Students will showcase science projects they have worked on throughout the year focused on states of matter, capillary action in flowers and crystals. The event will also include dinner, mariachi band entertainment, and a hands-on activity station. School district representatives, community leaders, representatives from Fight Crime Illinois and representatives from the West Chicago Police Department may attend.

**Westville, Illinois:** Sadie Hofer, Project Success, 217-495-1664, jgcoordinator@vcprojectsuccess.org
On Thursday, October 24 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM, Project Success will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with a carnival at Zamberletti Park. At the carnival, student artwork and other displays will spotlight the activities students have completed in the program. The event will include carnival-themed food, duck pound, ring toss, a target practice game and door prizes. More than 100 people are expected.

**Indiana**

**Carmel, Indiana:** Monica Haddock, Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation Extended School Enrichment, 317-698-6579, mhaddock@carmelclayparks.com
Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation Extended School Enrichment will host a Pumpkin Smash party on Thursday, October 24 at Cherry Tree Elementary to celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*. The party will feature a wide range of pumpkin-themed activities, including pumpkin bowling, pumpkin tic-tac-toe, pumpkin ring toss, pumpkin seed fling, pumpkin relays, a “pumpkin smash” (orange balloons with numbers matched to prizes in them, popped by feet), a photo booth, a family pumpkin decorating contest, a stress ball pumpkin craft, a beaded pipe cleaner pumpkin craft, pumpkin themed snacks, pumpkin themed movie, and a ‘guess the weight of the pumpkin’ contest. More than 50 people are expected.
Corydon, Indiana: Stephanie Rex, Blue River Services, Inc, 812-364-1142, brcclccoor@brsinc.org
For Lights On Afterschool, Blue River Services will hold two events celebrating afterschool programs. On October 30, North Harrison Middle School will host a family night with pumpkin carving, pumpkin painting, face painting, pizza and games from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. On October 31, North Harrison and Morgan Elementary will take part in a Community Trick or Treat event at the Harrison County Fairgrounds from 6:00 to 8:00 PM, hosted by the prosecutor's office, the sheriff's office and the Harrison County Agricultural Society. The celebration will include indoor trick or treating and a jack o’lantern display. More than 2,000 people are expected.

Elkhart, Indiana: Whitney Miller, Boys & Girls Clubs of Elkhart, 574-295-6838, wmiller@bgcelkhartcounty.org
The Boys & Girls Clubs of Elkhart will host “A Day at the Club” on Thursday, October 24 from 1:00 to 3:00 PM for Lights On Afterschool. The event will include an obstacle course and KIND snacks to promote healthy eating and physical activity, a gaming tournament including pool, foosball, and video games, and a Lights On #LightbulbChallenge art project.

Gary, Indiana: Rhonda Miller, City Life Center, 219-880-4851, rhonda@citylifenwi.org
On Thursday, October 24, Lights On Afterschool will be the biggest day of the year for City Life Center as they present their Lights On Afterschool Celebration "Glow Night.” This family-friendly community night will feature a special performance by the Muntu Dance Theater of Chicago. The event is proudly presented by Democratic Mayoral Nominee Jerome Prince.

Fort Wayne, Indiana: Makayla Gusching, Cooper Community Center, 260-427-6733, makayla.gusching@cityoffortwayne.org
For Lights On Afterschool, the Cooper Community Center will host an open house on October 24 from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. Activities will include an art station where participants will straw paint a lightbulb design, a STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) station with moon sand, a photo booth station with Clifford the Big Red Dog, and a literacy station with Roll a Monster Story Writing.

Indianapolis, Indiana: Isia Williamson, Raymond Park Boys & Girls Club of Indianapolis, 317-964-1053, iwilliamson@bgcindy.org
On Thursday, October 24 from 4:00 to 6:00 PM, the Raymond Park Boys & Girls Club of Indianapolis will hold a Lights On Afterschool glow party, promoting the need to keep the lights on afterschool. The party will feature a variety of glow-in-the-dark games including ring toss, tic tac glow, and a glow maze, as well as a glow-in-the-dark sand project.

Indianapolis, Indiana: Leatrice Riley, The Riley Center, 317-297-7078, info@therileycenterinc.com
The Riley Center will celebrate Lights On Afterschool on Thursday, October 24 at 4:30 PM with an open house. Parents and community members are invited to see and learn about the tutoring and team building activities that happen at the center. Students will color Lights On lightbulbs to string together and display to celebrate their afterschool program. Candidate for Indianapolis City Council Crista Carlino will attend.
Indianapolis, Indiana: Erica Gould, YMCA of Greater Indianapolis, 317-0450-5160, egould@indymca.org
To celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*, the YMCA of Greater Indianapolis will hold its second annual “Sync or Swim” event on Thursday, October 24 from 4:30 to 6:30 PM at New Britain Elementary School. Children will wear costumes and perform a special lip sync number with a parent or guardian in a friendly judged competition. The event will also include crafts, games, music, a spaghetti dinner donated by Olive Garden, and a raffle for a birthday party donated by a local music school. Approximately 80 people are expected.

Michigan City, Indiana: Abby May, Safe Harbor, 219-873-2026 x8750, amay@educatemc.net
On Wednesday, October 23, Safe Harbor’s middle school program, Club Discovery will showcase their brand new space at Krueger Middle School where they can engage, enrich, and empower their students. They are excited to host an open house with light refreshments to showcase their new space and new enrichment programming for the Safe Harbor 2019 *Lights On Afterschool* celebration. Enrichment highlights include the Build Your Own Bike Engineering Program, the Healthy Snacks Cooking Program and the Care Closet Community Service Project.

Richmond, Indiana: Lee Ann Powell, Boys & Girls Clubs of Wayne County, 765-962-6922, lapowell@bgcrichmond.org
The Boys & Girls Clubs of Wayne County will host rallies for *Lights On* at each of its five sites on Thursday, October 24 from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. Students will make their own rally posters and signs promoting the importance of afterschool and greet guests at the front door at each site. Students will also decorate lightbulb-shaped petitions to support afterschool to send to their state legislators. The events will also include a raffle for adults who complete a lightbulb petition and tours of the programs’ facilities.

Iowa

Danville, Iowa: Yolanda Duckworth, Project Success Teen REACH, 217-274-4735, kdbacoordinator@vcprojectsuccees.org
On October 25, Project Success Teen REACH will host a family bingo night in honor of *Lights On Afterschool*. The event will take place from 4:00 to 6:00 PM and will include other games and prizes. The afterschool program is celebrating its first year in the Danville High School. Approximately 50 guests are expected to attend.

Des Moines, Iowa: Afterschool Ambassador Bob Reid, Camp Fire Heart of Iowa, 515-537-6814 bob@campfireiowa.org
Camp Fire Heart of Iowa and the Iowa Afterschool Alliance are spearheading a Central Iowa *Lights On Afterschool* event with multiple sites participating on October 24, including Camp Fire at Pleasantville Elementary School, Pleasantville; CYC, Des Moines; and Willkie House, Des Moines. Students at each site will create kindness rocks to “spread their light” across Central Iowa. Students will also write personal notes about why we should keep the lights on for their afterschool program. The sites will be open to families and the public from 4:30 to 5:30 PM.
Council Bluffs, Iowa: Ronda Buchta, Bloomer Elementary, 719-947-5998, dcapo@cbcsd.org
In celebration of *Lights On Afterschool*, Bloomer Elementary will host an open house from 3:45 to 5:15 PM. Families and guests will tour the program and see the exciting activities the students do each day. Approximately 80 people are expected.

Muscatine, Iowa: Amy Hessel, Afterschool Kids’ Club, 563-263-9996, ahessel@muscatiney.org
On October 24, the Afterschool Kids’ Club is providing parents the chance to be a kid again. The Club’s *Lights On Afterschool* event will feature hands-on science project for the parents. Refreshments will be provided. As many as 75 people may attend.

Kansas

Blue Rapids, Kansas: Afterschool Ambassador Tony Yungeberg, Valley Heights Community Education, 785-363-2211, tyungeberg@valleyheights.org
On October 27, the Valley Heights Community Education is partnering with 13 schools and nine local businesses to host a *Lights On Afterschool* Fall Festival from 6:30 to 8:30 PM in the town square. There will be information booths, hands-on activities, crafts, contests, hayrides and much more. Kids and their families can take selfies with a giant lightbulb banner. Local council members and school board members will attend. More than 200 people are expected.

Manhattan, Kansas: Melissa Soldan, Boys & Girls Club of Manhattan, 785-539-1947, development@bgclubmanhattan.com
For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Boys & Girls Club of Manhattan will hold a festival on Tuesday, October 29 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. A wide range of community partners will provide activities and resources, including the Torch leadership club, a youth golf organization, a music education organization, the local library, a gymnastics group, and the police, fire and emergency medical service departments. The festival will also feature face painting, cookie decorating and a scavenger hunt. The Kansas State University tennis team will lead games of table tennis. More than 200 people are expected.

Ottawa, Kansas: Jamie Keiter, Reach for the Stars Afterschool Program, 785-229-8136, keiterj@usd290.org
Reach for the Stars will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with an open house and science fair on March 5, 2020 from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. Students will showcase their original science projects. Community members, advisory board members and district educators will judge the projects and present first, second and third place ribbons. A local community leader or elected representative will speak to the students. Between 100 and 150 people are expected.

Overland Park, Kansas: Jaclyn Simpson, Y’s Kids Club at Cottonwood Point Elementary, 913-239-6100, jaclynsimpson@kansascityymca.org
For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Y’s Kids Club will hold a celebration for students, their families and community members on Thursday, October 24, from 4:00 to 6:00 PM at Cottonwood Point Elementary. A guest chef will visit for a ‘Play With Your Food’ activity, teaching the children to prepare healthy, easy recipes. Students will also craft lanterns, complete an obstacle course, and play a group game of Halloween pictionary.
Topeka, Kansas: Brandy Tofel, Shawnee County Campaign for Grade-Level Reading, brandy.tofel@cismidamerica.org
On Wednesday, October 23, the Shawnee County Campaign for Grade-Level Reading and its 20-plus partners will host “Shine a Light On School Success” for Lights On Afterschool from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM at the Kansas State Capitol. The event will celebrate the organization’s third consecutive Pacesetter award, which recognizes measurable progress in education. A variety of speakers will share the impact of out-of-school programming for Shawnee County’s schools, community, safety, and workforce, including Kansas State Representative Dr. Brenda Dietrich.

Kentucky

Covington, Kentucky: Julie Wharton, Holmes High School Community Learning Center, 859-655-9545 x16352, julie.wharton@covington.kyschools.us
Holmes High School Community Learning Center will host “Lights On - The Game Show” on Friday, October 18 from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM. Students, staff, and families will spin a wheel to answer trivia questions about afterschool programming and win a prize if they answer correctly. Information about afterschool programs will be available. The event will also raise awareness of teen drinking and driving. Students and families will try to navigate a small obstacle course while wearing fatal vision goggles simulating the effects of alcohol.

Covington, Kentucky: Derek Winebrenner, Sixth District Elementary Community Learning Center, 859-609-4444, derek.winebrenner@covington.kyschools.us
On Thursday, October 24 from 5:00 to 6:30 PM, the Sixth District Elementary Community Learning Center will hold a family fitness and wellness night for Lights On Afterschool. The Kenton County Extension Office will offer a healthy cooking demonstration, and students and their families will participate in an inflatable obstacle course, jump rope competitions, a make your own trail mix activity, and a bike giveaway. More than 150 people are expected.

Dixon, Kentucky: Hillary Bumpus, APEX Learning Center, 270-639-0284, hillary.bumpus@webster.kyschools.us
For Lights On Afterschool, APEX Learning Center at Webster County Middle School will partner with Capstone Learning Center at Webster County High School for a creepy carnival at the Webster County Annex on Thursday, October 24 from 3:00 to 5:00 PM. The carnival will celebrate the importance of afterschool programs and feature numerous festival games and activities, including ‘wheel of misfortune,’ Cornhole, ring toss, face painting, and more. More than 200 people are expected.

Elizabethtown, Kentucky: Kathy Francis, Panther Place Afterschool, 270-769-4628, kathy.francis@etown.kyschools.us
Panther Place After School will celebrate its 20th year of programming and the 20th year of Lights On Afterschool with an open house on Thursday, October 24 at 4:00 PM. Families and community members are invited to see the program and a display of student artwork, learn about Panther Place Afterschool’s health, science, physical fitness, and character development programming, and tour a community resource fair with 20 participating agencies.
Louisiana

**Baton Rouge, Louisiana:** Jeneá Martin, Big Buddy, 225-388-9737, jenea@bigbuddyprogram.org
Big Buddy will celebrate the 20th year of *Lights On Afterschool* and its 40th year of programming with a Big Buddy Birthday Bash on Thursday, October 24 from 4:00 to 7:00 PM at 1415 Main Street. The community-wide block party provide insight on the importance of afterschool programs while also reconnecting with past Big Buddy Legacies and celebrating making a difference in the community for 40 years. This event will showcase the talents of our Little Buddies, host community partners, reunite Legacies (past participants and volunteers), highlight partnerships developed over the years, feature STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities, and include a big announcement of a long-term commitment. More than 200 people, including local politicians, are expected.

**Marrero, Louisiana:** Audrey Warren, The Advent Program - 21st Century Community Learning Center, 504-782-4965, cmypoetry@yahoo.com
For *Lights On Afterschool*, The Advent Program - 21st Century Community Learning Center will hold an open house on October 24. The event will include a family relay, a “Minute 2 Win It” activity, and a group discussion on the importance of afterschool programs. The event will be at Collins Elementary School in the cafeteria. It will start at 4:00 PM and more than 50 people will attend.

**New Orleans, Louisiana:** Branna Elenz, Community Works, 504-522-2667, branna@communityworksla.org
On Thursday, October 24, Community Works will host *Lights On* celebrations at each of its seven afterschool sites. At each site, students will complete projects including decorating light bulbs (from the AA/LOA template) with their favorite things about afterschool, doing other light bulb themed art activities/projects, and creating a large lightbulb photo booth frame to take pictures with friends and family. In total, more than 500 students, parents and schools administration staff are expected.

**New Orleans, Louisiana**
On Wednesday, October 23, the Mercedes-Benz Superdome will be lit up blue in support of *Lights On Afterschool*.

Maine

**Auburn, Maine:** Joshua Fortier, Walton School Creative Learning Center, 207-240-2500, jfortier@auburnschl.edu
For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Walton School Creative Learning Center will hold a dance on October 25. Staff will organize, decorate, and set-up for the event. The dance is for students in Pre-K to grade six. All family members are invited to attend. The event will be in the evening at the Walton School.
Dyer Brook, Maine: Shannon Mathers, Southern Aroostook Community School, 207-757-8206, smathers@rsu50.org
Southern Aroostook Community School will hold a joint Lights On Afterschool event along with the elementary fall fest on October 25. The event will include homemade applesauce, a STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activity, and coloring for the students. It will last from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at Southern Aroostook Community School.

Washburn, Maine: Halina Herzog, Washburn 21st Century After School Program, 207-455-4504, hherzog@msad45.net
On October 24, the Washburn 21st Century After School Program will celebrate Lights On Afterschool with its annual pumpkin decorating contest. Judges will determine the winners of the competition under three categories and light refreshments will be served. More than 50 people will attend the event at Washburn District Elementary School. It will last from 6:00 to 8:00 PM.

Maryland

Baltimore, Maryland: Najah Hameed, Boys & Girls Club Webster Kendrick, 410-684-9934, nhameed@bgcmetrobaltimore.org
Boys & Girls Club Webster Kendrick will hold a Halloween carnival on October 25 for Lights On Afterschool. Children will participate in Halloween-themed carnival games including a witches hat toss, mummy wrap, and Halloween bingo. Select members will also celebrate Spongebob Squarepants’ 20th anniversary, creating cool designs with a 3D pen and printer. The event will be in the evening at Callaway Elementary School in Baltimore.

Baltimore, Maryland: Evoria Clark, The Y in Central Maryland Waverly Afterschool Program, 410-396-6394, evoriaclark@ymaryland.org
To celebrate Lights On Afterschool, The Y in Central Maryland Waverly Afterschool Program will host a harvest festival on October 24. The event will include obstacle courses and other fun activities for the children to enjoy. The event will last from 5:30 to 6:30 PM and will be at Waverly Elementary School.

Hagerstown, Maryland: Nya Seaward, The BEACON House - STEM Education for Everyone, 301-442-7824, nya@thebeaconhouse.net
The BEACON House - STEM Education for Everyone will hold a STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) night for Lights On Afterschool on October 24. The event will include STEM activities with recyclable material and information on STEM careers. The event will also highlight “Girls Who Code”, and BEACON House classes and birthday parties. Policymakers and the Youth Advisory Council may attend. The event will be at the BEACON House in Hagerstown. It will run from 4:00 to 6:00 PM.

Havre de Grace, Maryland: William Howard, Boys & Girls Club of Harford & Cecil County, 410-939-0822, whoward@bgcharfordcecil.org
The Boys & Girls Club of Harford and Cecil County will celebrate Lights On Afterschool by lighting up downtown Havre de Grace with blue and yellow lights on October 24. The mayor and city council members will hold a meet-and-greet, and the event will conclude with a lantern release. The Boys & Girls Club of Harford & Cecil County will offer tours of the facility and the
event will last from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. Food and refreshments will be provided. More than 200 people will attend.

Rosedale, Maryland: Naomi Keppler, Baltimore County Public Library - Rosedale Branch, 410-887-0512, nkeppler@bcpl.net
On October 24, the Baltimore County Public Library in Rosedale, Maryland will host a teen hangout to celebrate Lights On Afterschool. The event will include movies, snacks, and Sphero SPRKs. In addition, students will contribute to a service project that aids the community. It will last from 3:00 to 4:00 PM.

Woodlawn, Maryland: Aimee Kirby, Baltimore County Public Library - Woodlawn Branch, 410-887-1336, akirby@bcpl.net
For Lights On Afterschool, the Baltimore County Public Library in Woodlawn, Maryland, will hold a teen program on October 24. The theme is “be creative,” and the event will spotlight art projects and include activities with digital cameras. It will last from 2:00 to 5:00 PM and more than 50 people will attend.

Massachusetts

Attleboro, Massachusetts: Debra Garvin, Robbins Children’s Program, 508-226-0282, edcoordinator@robbinscp.org
The Robbins Children’s Program will hold an open house on October 24 for Lights On Afterschool. Students will demonstrate their STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) skills by building robots, light bulbs, and Legos from a 3D printer. The event will last till 7:00 PM and students will invite their teachers to observe. More than 100 people are expected and Attleboro City Mayor may attend.

Chicopee, Massachusetts: Clarisa Matlasz, Boys & Girls Club of Chicopee, 413-206-4106, clarisam@bgcchicopee.org
For Lights On Afterschool, The Boys & Girls Club of Chicopee will hold an open house on October 24. The event will feature a video called “A Place to Become” that highlights the many programs offered through the Boys and Girls Club of Chicopee. Parents and students will participate in lightbulb selfie challenges and complete coloring activities. The event will be at the Boys & Girls Club.

Fall River, Massachusetts: Eloise Carrier, Citizens for Citizens, Inc. Afterschool, 508-675-2154, eloise.carrier@cfcinc.org
On October 24, Citizens for Citizens, Inc. Afterschool will hold an open house in celebration of Lights On Afterschool. Parents will write notes on light bulb stationery sharing why after school services are important. The note will be mailed to Members of Congress. The event will be at Citizens for Citizens facility in Falls River and will run from 3:30 to 5:30 PM. More than 100 people are expected to attend and refreshments will be provided.
Hopkinton, Massachusetts: Danielle Allen, MetroWest YMCA, 508-435-9345 x114, dallen@metrowestymca.org
MetroWest YMCA will celebrate Lights On Afterschool with a “Chopped” themed cooking competition. Students will create a recipe with ingredients from food baskets. The event will last from 5:00 to 6:00 PM on October 24.

Natick, Massachusetts: Lauren Meurer, The Teen Center, 508-647-6400 x1807, lmeurer@natickma.org
The Teen Center will host an open on October 24 for Lights On Afterschool. The event will involve free tie-dye shirts and athletic games. The event will be at 179 Boden Lane from 2:30 to 6:00 PM. Twenty to 30 students are expected to attend and snacks will be provided.

Somerville, Massachusetts: Jose Mendez, Somerville Community School, 617-230-9647, jmendez@somervillema.gov
Somerville Community School’s afterschool programs are organizing a citywide celebration of Lights On Afterschool across their sites, which offer various activities to students, from reading and STEM projects like building catapults to chess, nature, and sports clubs. KIND will provide free snack bars at one of the central events to be held October 24.

Michigan

Detroit, Michigan: Teri Banas, Michigan After-School Partnership, 517- 896-0241, teribanas03@gmail.com
For Lights On Afterschool, Detroit-based afterschool providers, parents, and students will gather at the City’s iconic “Spirit of Detroit” monument and shine a blue tinted spotlight to honor afterschool programs. In addition, Martius Park, north of the monument, will turn its lights blue for the occasion. The event will be on October 24 from 5:30 to 7:00 PM.

Detroit, Michigan: Lekita Jones, Wayne State University C2 Pipeline, 313-283-0394, lekita.jones2@wayne.edu
To celebrate Lights On Afterschool, Wayne State University C2 Pipeline will host an open house on October 24. The event will involve hands-on projects such as creating cardboard furniture and tower building challenges. Members of the Detroit Police Office may be in attendance. It will last from 3:05 to 5:35 PM.

Fife Lake, Michigan: Joe Kreider, SEEDS Forest Area Middle School, 269-271-1785, joe.kreider@ecoseeds.org
SEEDS Forest Area Middle School will hold an open house on October 24, in honor of Lights On Afterschool. The event will include a Heat Transfer STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activity and a button marking station. Students will mail decorated Lights On Afterschool paper light bulbs to policymakers. The event will last from 6:15 to 7:30 PM and will be at the Forest Area Middle School cafeteria. More than 70 people are expected to attend, including State Senator Wayne Schmidt.
Flint, Michigan: Afterschool Ambassador Willie Buford, YouthQuest, 810-600-1446, wbuford@yquest.org
YouthQuest’s *Lights On Afterschool* event will be at the International Academy of Flint from 4:30 to 6:30 PM on October 30. The celebration of afterschool will feature crafts, scavenger hunts, food, face-painting, a demonstration of the Flint Kids Read program, cookie-decorating, and Trunk or Treat. Expected special guests include the mayor, state representatives, members of the chamber of commerce, and various community stakeholders. All community members are invited to attend.

Grand Rapids, Michigan: Tenise Davis, UMC, 616-855-9711, tendavis@umchousegr.org
For *Lights On Afterschool*, UMC will host a parents versus student basketball game on October 23. The event will also involve STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities using toothpicks and marshmallows. The basketball game will be at Ken-O-Sha Park from 4:00 to 5:50 PM. Twenty-five students and seven parents will participate.

Wyoming, Michigan: Samantha Campbell, T.E.A.M. 21, 616-250-4472, campbes@wyomingps.org
On October 23, T.E.A.M. 21 will host an open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. The event will include pumpkin painting, make-your-own scarecrow, and cornhole games. Pizza, cookies, and lemonade will be provided. There will also be a slideshow, highlighting the many activities at T.E.A.M. 21. The event will last from 5:30 to 6:30 PM at Gladiola Elementary School. More than 125 students from Gladiola Elementary School and Wyoming Intermediate School will attend.

Minnesota

Coleraine, Minnesota: Kate Justison, Boys & Girls Club of Grand Rapids and Greenway, 218-245-1287 x26312, kjjustison@bgcnorth.org
The Boys & Girls Club of Grand Rapids and Greenway will host a glow-in-the-dark party on October 24 to celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*. The event will involve glow-in-the-dark face paint and slime and will be at Greenway High School. It will last from 4:00 to 7:00 PM and 60 children will attend. Parents are invited and food will be provided.

Duluth, Minnesota: Cortnie Bain, Compass, 218-393-9952, cbain@duluthscs.org
On October 23, Compass will host an open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. Students will produce a video and decorate lights bulb to celebrate the festivities. More than 50 people will attend, including family members. It will last from 3:00 to 5:00 PM at Myers Wilkins Elementary School.

Little Falls, Minnesota: Cassandra Fruechte, Boys & Girls Club of Little Falls, 320-414-0322, lfclub.educationdir@gmail.com
For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Boys & Girls Club of Little Falls will hold an open house. The event will involve a hockey game, door prizes, and a light bulb decorating competition. It will last from 2:00 to 6:00 PM. More than 70 people are expected and State Senator Paul Gazelka may attend.
**Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota:** Afterschool Ambassador Nicole Hernandez, Children’s Defense Fund Minnesota, 651-855-1174, nhernandez@childrensdefense.org

Children's Defense Fund-Minnesota is working in partnership with Academia Cesar Chavez and Friendship Academy of the Arts charter schools on their annual *Lights On Afterschool* events, to be held on October 24. The events will feature a variety of resources for both parents and their children, including a flu clinic, distribution of Market Bucks that parents can use at local Farmers Markets, and a winter coat giveaway for adults and children. A light dinner will be served and there will be multiple arts and craft activities. The events will run from 4:00 to 6:00 PM at both Minneapolis locations: the Academia Cesar Chavez and the Friendship Academy of the Arts.

**St. Paul, Minnesota:** Russell Purdy, Mounds Park Academy Youth and Family Programs, 651-748-5571, rpurdy@moundsparkacademy.org

Mounds Park Academy will host a family drive-in movie night for *Lights On Afterschool* on October 24. Families will watch “The Emperor's New Groove” from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at Mounds Park Academy lunchroom. Parents should bring their own blankets and chairs. Popcorn will be provided.

**White Bear Lake, Minnesota:** Ashley Guthrie, White Bear Lake Area Schools, 651-653-2817, ashley.guthrie@isd624.org

On October 24, White Bear Lake Area Schools will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with a family night out. The event will include a special visit from a magician, a coloring activity, and cookie decorating. The event will last from 5:00 to 7:00 PM and more than 100 people will attend.

**Mississippi**

**Ocean Springs, Mississippi:** Kara Merritt, Boys & Girls Club of Jackson County, 228-818-0518, kdarrow@bgcjc.org

On October 24, the Boys & Girls Club of Jackson County will hold an open house and talent show for *Lights On Afterschool*. Students will display artwork and perform step routines and songs. The event will also feature STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities and last from 4:00 to 5:30 PM at the Mary B. Ruddiman Unit of Jackson County. More than 100 people will attend.

**Pass Christian, Mississippi:** Adrienne Davis, Boys & Girls Club of Qater Center, 228-452-9791, adavis@bgcgulfcoast.org

For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Boys & Girls Club of Qater Center will celebrate with a haunted house on October 25. The event will include inflatables, carnival games, food and trick-or-treating. In addition, the Boys & Girls Club of Qater Club will hold an open house to showcase the program. More than 150 children will attend and the event will last from 4:00 to 6:00 PM.

**Yazoo City, Mississippi:** Judy Ables, Boys & Girls Club of the Mississippi Delta, 662-763-8461, yazoud@bgcmsdelta.org

The Boys and Girls Club of the Mississippi Delta will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with poster designing and glow-in-the-dark bracelets. The event will last from 5:30 to 7:00 PM on
October 24. There will also be an open house for prospective parents. Food and refreshments will be provided.

**Missouri**

**Bowling Green, Missouri:** Debbie Jennigs, YMCA 21st Century Community Learning Center, 573-324-8461, bg21stclc@sbcglobal.net
The YMCA 21st CCLC will hold a parent’s education night at Bowling Green Elementary School for *Light On Afterschool*. The event will feature guest speakers from the Bowling Green Library and the Pike County Health Department, demonstrating first aid. Older students involved in the event will read story books to younger children. Families will also participate in an activity with the Pike County Sheriff’s Department DARE Officer. More than 110 students will attend and the event will last from 4:45 to 6:30 PM on October 24.

**Bronaugh, Missouri:** Whitney Hinkle, Bronaugh R-VII School District, 417-922-3211, whinkle@bronaugh.k12.mo.us
On October 23, Bronaugh R-VII School District held a literacy night for *Lights On Afterschool*. The event included several children’s activities, including, Bingo for Books, Build-your-own trail mix, and an art project. It lasted from 4:30 to 6:30 PM and was at Bronaugh R-VII School. More than 50 people attended.

**Neosho, Missouri:** Sarah Dayton, Westview C6 School, 417-776-2425, sdayton@wc6.org
On October 24, Westview C6 School will hold an open house to celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*. The event will involve activities for the students, including gymnastics and karate lessons. The event will last from 4:00 to 5:00 PM at the Westview C6 School gymnasium. Students will send invitations to their parents the week prior to the event.

**St. Louis, Missouri:** Gateway Middle School will host a “Show Me Afterschool Community Conversation” organized by the Missouri AfterSchool Network on Saturday, October 26 from 11 AM to 1:30 PM. Program staff, parents, and community leaders will discuss the important role afterschool programs play for safety, prevention, and providing opportunities for children and families, including data about safety and juvenile crime from the report, *From Risk to Opportunity: Afterschool Programs Keep Kids Safe*. Speakers to include Police Chiefs from Moline Acres and St. Louis (invited).

**St. Louis, Missouri:** Audrey Wilson, Boys & Girls Club of Greater St. Louis, 314-630-0818, audrey@bgcstl.org
The Boys and Girls Club of Greater St. Louis will have a joint Halloween and *Lights On Afterschool* event on October 31. The event will include STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities, art projects, and a skit with spooky poetry reading. More than 100 people will attend and the event will last from 5:00 to 7:00 PM.

**St. Louis, Missouri:** Rachele Johnson-Bell, Unleashing Potential, 314-202-2846, rjohnsonbell@upstl.org
Unleashing Potential will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* on Thursday, October 24 at 5:30 PM with a family math night. Parents will attend and learn about math with their children. Children
will also place plastic cups in a fence to spell out “Lights On” with tea lights inside to light up the fence for afterschool. The next day, children will surprise parents and students at their school’s October 25 Friday morning assembly by dancing in a flash mob.

Montana

Belgrade, Montana: Suzanne Galinac, kidsLINK Heroes, 406-924-2748, sgalinac@bsd44.org
On October 24, kidsLINK Heroes will celebrate Lights On Afterschool with a hero themed open house at Saddle Peak Elementary School. Students will learn about what makes a hero and design masks and wristbands. Older students will create their own comic books and parents will tour the facility. The event will start at 3:00 PM.

Libby, Montana: Carol Oedewaldt, Libby Public Schools, Libby Public Schools, 406-293-1661, oedewaldt@libbyschools.org
Libby Public Schools and the Rotary Club will hold a Halloween extravaganza on October 24 for Lights On Afterschool. The event will involve a Halloween trunk or treat, along with a haunted house and bus. The event will last till 5:00 to 8:00 PM and will be at the Central Administration building. More than 700 people will attend and local police will be present.

Livingston, Montana: Terri Hartley, LINKS for Learning, 406-223-5288, terri.hartly@livingston.k12.mt.us
For Lights On Afterschool, LINKS for Learning will host a STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) open house on October 24 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. Students will participate in coding activities and learning how electricity works. The event will be at the East Side School gymnasium. Food will be provided and more than 200 people are expected to attend.

Sidney, Montana: Janelle Chamberlain, Boys & Girls Club of the MonDak, 406-433-6763, j.buxbaum@richlandbgc.org
On October 23, The Boys & Girls Club of MonDak held an open house for Lights On Afterschool. The event was at the new Lonsdale Center Clubhouse and lasted from 2:30 to 4:30 PM. It was an opportunity for prospective parents to observe the afterschool site and hear about the various programs. In the following evening, the Boys & Girls Club of MonDak honored parents and students with celebratory meal.

Nebraska

Chadron, Nebraska: Danielle Woods, Chadron Middle School, 308-432-0508, cmsasp@chadronschools.net
On October 24, Chadron Middle School will hold a game show night for Lights On Afterschool. School staff will host the games and more than 50 students are expected to attend. The event will last from 4:30 to 5:30 PM at Chadron Middle School. Families are invited to attend.
Lincoln, Nebraska: Afterschool Ambassador Dayna Krannawitter, Lincoln Community Learning Centers, 402-436-1120 x5, dkranna@lps.org
Lincoln Community Learning Centers (CLC) will celebrate its 20th year of serving Lincoln Public Schools and the 20th year of Lights On Afterschool with a celebration at the Lincoln Children’s Zoo on Thursday, October 24 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. The event will highlight all 29 Lincoln CLC sites and educate participants about the history of Lincoln CLCs. It will also include refreshments and raffle prizes.

Nevada

Carson City, Nevada: Afterschool Ambassador Matthew Simpson, 775-224-5109, MattS@bgcwn.org
The Boys & Girls Clubs of Western Nevada will host a STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) Fair on October 24 for Lights On Afterschool. The focus will be on the Northern Nevada economy and career opportunities, which increasingly relate to STEM fields. Every one of our programs at the Club will provide a hands on STEM experience for youth of all ages at the event.

Las Vegas, Nevada: Christina Porter, Nevada Clark County School District, 702-799-4701, portec1@nv.ccsd.net
On October 24, Nevada Clark County School District will celebrate Lights On Afterschool with trick-or-treating and a carnival. The event will include games with candy prizes along with coloring activities. More than 200 will attend the event at John Tartan Elementary School. It will last from 4:30 to 8:00 PM.

Winnemucca, Nevada: Kassidy Kirby, Grass Valley After School Program, 775-421-0014, kkirby@hcsdnv.com
Grass Valley School After School Program will hold an event for Lights On Afterschool on October 24. The event will include athletic games, STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities, and art projects. It will be in the school gymnasium from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. More than 50 people will attend the fun and games.

New Hampshire

Laconia, New Hampshire: Afterschool Ambassador Christine Gingerella and Beth Vachon, Laconia School District Project EXTRA!, 603-524-5710, cgingerella@lacooniaschools.org and bvachon@lacooniaschools.org
The Office of Extended Learning will hold Lights On Afterschool celebrations at each of its five sites in Laconia. Elm Street School will hold a family literacy event, as well, on the evening of October 24. Students will participate in a hands-on project at each event. In partnership with Laconia’s Historic Belknap Mill, The Office of Extended Learning will be “Lighting up a Landmark” after sunset, displaying a student sculpture made up of 1,000 lights to represent students who participate in afterschool programs in Laconia. In addition, other afterschool sites in the community will host Lights On Afterschool open houses during regular program hours on October 24.
**Nashua, New Hampshire:** Janell Davis, Boys & Girls Club of Greater Nashua, 603-883-0523 x241, jarcher@bgcn.com
For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Nashua will host “Bring a Friend Day” and “Dance Til You Drop” on October 24 from 4:00 to 7:00 PM. Students will also participate in STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities and decorate light bulbs. More than 250 people are expected to attend and the event will be at the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Nashua.

**North Conway, New Hampshire:** Clay Groves, Project SUCCEED, 603-447-6158, c_groves@sau9.org
Project SUCCEED partnered with the Maize at Sherman Farm to rally for after-school programs for the fourth consecutive year on Friday, October 18, from 4:30 to 8:30 PM. The community was invited to help light up the Maize for afterschool, celebrating 20 years of *Lights On Afterschool* and 20 years of Project SUCCEED programming. The Jumping Pillow, Corn Boxes, concessions and the Maize provided non-scary nighttime fun. The event served as a fundraiser for Project SUCCEED, which offer before- and afterschool programs at three elementary school featuring morning supervision, homework assistance, computer lab, 3-D printing, art, healthy cooking and many more exciting enrichment clubs.

**Rochester, New Hampshire:** Sonjia Tainter, Rochester Child Care Center UP Program, 603-332-4090, stainter@rochesterchildcare.org
For *Lights On Afterschool*, The Rochester Child Care Center UP Program will host an art and award show on October 24. The event will honor 12 community members with awards and certificates for their work as after school champions. In addition, the event will include a raffle and children will have their summer art projects on display. The event will last from 4:00 to 6:00 PM at the Rochester Performing Arts Center. More than 100 people will attend.

**Seabrook, New Hampshire:** Afterschool Ambassador Forrest Carter Jr., Seabrook Adventure Zone Afterschool, 603-997-1909, forrest@sys-nh.org
The Seabrook Adventure Zone Afterschool program will partner with the Seabrook Recreation Department to celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* on Friday, October 25 from 6:00 to 8:30 PM. The event will feature a costume and pumpkins dessert contest, spooky games, and a haunted house. There will also be 3-D printing, organized by the Seabrook Public Library. Finger food, desserts, and healthy snacks will be provided. More than 500 people are expected.

**New Jersey**

**Egg Harbour Township, New Jersey:** Christiana Lent, A.S.P.I.R.E., 609-407-2500, lentc@eht.k12.nj.us
For *Lights On Afterschool*, A.S.P.I.R.E. will host an open house on October 24 at Miller Elementary School. Parents will participate in classes with their children and meet the staff and faculty. In addition, there will also be a banner that describes why afterschool is important. The event will last from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. Students will send invitations to their parents the week prior.
**Linden, New Jersey:** Renata Marchesi, Joseph E. Soehl Middle School 21st Century Community Learning Centers, 908-486-0550 x8787, rmarchesi@lindenps.org
Joseph E. Soehl 21st Century Community Learning Center will hold an assembly on October 24 at 3:30 PM to celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*. Linden Mayor Derek Armstead will present 21st Century Community Learning Center with a proclamation and discuss the importance of afterschool programs. Students will display decorated ceiling tile and the winning design will be placed in hallway in front of the winning classroom's door. Parents will attend.

**Metuchen, New Jersey:** Gabrielle St. Fleur, Metuchen YMCA School Age Child Care, 732-425-7836, gabriella.stfleur@ymcaofmewsa.org
On October 24, Metuchen YMCA will host an open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. The event will feature STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities and art stations. The event will last from 4:00 to 5:00 PM and students will send invitations to their parents. More than 50 people will attend and the event will be in the basketball gym.

**Newark, New Jersey:** Shane Fuller, Newark Thrives!, 973-769-5169, sfuller@newark-thrives.org
On October 26, Newark Thrives! will host a recruitment event where 50 different Newark area community organizations will promote youth services to students. Some of the programs include Girl Scouts Heart of New Jersey, New Jersey Performing Arts Center, and Young Queens: D.I.A.M.O.N.D.S. Newark families will engage in hands-on learning activities and workshops. Central Ward Council Member LaMonica McIver and Newark School Superintendent Roger Leon will attend. The event will last from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM at 701 S. Orange Avenue. More than 300 students are expected to attend.

**Roselle, New Jersey:** Jeanne Marie Ryan, Roselle Public Library, 908-245-5809, ryanjeannem@aol.com
The Roselle Public Library will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with board and card games on October 24. The Roselle City Mayor and Roselle City Council Liaison may attend. The event will last from 3:30 to 4:30 PM and more than 50 children will attend.

**New Mexico**

**Albuquerque, New Mexico:** Jim Dawson, Children’s Choice, 505-480-1298, johnbaker@childrens-choice.org
On October 25, Children’s Choice will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with a haunted house and spooky science experiments. The event will be at the Double Eagle Cafeteria located at 6501 Lomas Blvd. It will last from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. More than 50 people will attend.

**Lovingston, New Mexico:** Afterschool Ambassador Melinda Franco, Lovingston Youth Center, 575-396-0503, mfranco@lovingston.org
Lovingston Youth Center will host a STEM-themed open house on October 24 from 6 to 8 PM for *Lights On Afterschool*. Community organizations will set up booths and present information along with a STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activity to engage families. The Center will invite guests to try out its state-of-the-art STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) lab and invite families to use the 3D printer, tinker with the Makey Makey, and
learn the basics of flying a drone. Lovington’s mayor and police chief will be among the speakers who will discuss the importance of afterschool programs at the event.

**Socorro, New Mexico:** Cindy Rivera, City of Socorro Youths After School Program, 505-340-1575, crivera@socorronm.gov

On October 30 and 31, the City of Socorro Youths After School Program will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with a haunted house. The haunted house will be open from 6:00 to 10:00 PM on both nights at Finley gymnasium. More than 500 children are expected to attend. Tickets cost $5 for adults and $3 for children.

**New York**

**Albany, New York:** Andrew Katz, Albany Jewish Community Center 518-438-6651 x113, andrewk@albanyjcc.org

The Albany Jewish Community Center will host a harvest festival on October 24 to celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*. The event to take place at all four Albany Jewish Community Center after school sites. The festival will last from 3:00 to 5:00 PM and each location is expected to have 200 people in attendance.

**Brooklyn, New York:** Shahzadi Majeed, CAMBA Beacon, 718-462-2597 x56225, shahzadim@camba.org

CAMBA will host a talent show for *Lights On Afterschool* on October 24 from 3:30 to 5:30 PM. Students will perform songs and showcase their original step, dance, and cheerleading routines. Students will also model their own t-shirts and bags describing why they love school. The event will be at 1957 Nostrand Place in the auditorium. Parents and alumni are expected to speak.

**Brooklyn, New York:** Elba Rodriguez, New York Edge, 718-387-5641, erodriguez1@newyorkedge.org

New York Edge will hold a “Night at the Museum” themed open house on October 24 to celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*. The open house will include a fashion show, a step performance, tennis lessons, and a mystery Girl Scout activity. The event will start at 3:00 PM at The Young Women’s Leadership School. More than 100 people are expected.

**Bronx, New York:** Coreen Robledo, New York City Police Athletic League New South Bronx, 718-991-2447; crobledo@palnyc.org

To celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*, Police Athletic League (PAL) New South Bronx will host a Superheroes and Villains event from 4:00 to 5:15 PM on October 24. Participants will create their own comic books and display their comic book cover, theme and color on tables throughout the facility. Students will perform routines, demonstrating a variety of styles and techniques with costumes and props.

**Bronx, New York:** Vilmarie Hernandez, New York Junior Tennis & Learning, 718-861-2982, asd-ps100x@nyjtl.org

To celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*, New York Junior Tennis & Learning will hold a tennis clinic for students and parents. The event will include a Zumba class and smoothie-making activity. It will last from 3:30 to 5:00 PM on October 24. More than 175 people are expected.
Buffalo, New York: Candace Moppins, The Afterschool Network of Western New York, 716-293-4009, metrocdc877@yahoo.com
The Afterschool Network of Western New York celebrated its Lights On Afterschool event with several Buffalo Bills football players, Mayor Bayron W. Brown, and Buffalo Schools Superintendent Kriner Cash. The event focused on bullying prevention and the special guests spoke about ways to prevent bullying in schools. More than 400 people attended the event on October 22 at East Community High School.

Buffalo, New York: Kaitlyn Kollatz, After School Rocks, 716-445-7443, kkollatz@bestselfwny.org
On October 24, After School Rocks will place more than 100 decorated paper light bulbs around Buffalo, New York to celebrate Lights On Afterschool. Students will color the paper light bulbs and glue them onto small rocks. Around 175 students will participate. The event will last from 3:45 to 6:00 PM.

To celebrate Lights On Afterschool, Jefferson Central School CROP will hold an open house on October 24. The event will feature a NASA project demonstration and a student-produced video on recycling. In addition, there will be a health and wellness granola bar, a reading corner along with a staff meet and greet. It will last from 3:30-5 PM and more than 50 people are expected to attend.

Prattsburgh, New York: Amy Shick, Prattsburgh Elementary School, 605-522-6211, jblack@prattsburghcsd.org
On October 24, Prattsburgh Elementary School will celebrate Lights On Afterschool with pumpkin carving, Halloween crafting, and an open gym. Along with the festivities, Prattsburgh Elementary School will hold an open house where they will display the many afterschool activities. The event will last from 6:00 to 7:30 PM and hotdogs will be provided. More than 100 people will attend.

North Carolina

Boone, North Carolina: Afterschool Ambassador Abigail Swanger, Community Kids Program, 828-264-2421, abigail@wamycommunityaction.org
On November 8, WAMY Community Action, Inc. and the Williams YMCA will hold its first annual Lights On Afterschool fall festival from 5:00 to 8:30 PM. Parents and community members will have the chance to view activities provided by afterschool programs and community partners, and learn more about the importance of afterschool programming. The event will also include complimentary dinner, a Fall Festival with games and crafts, first responder vehicles to explore, a giveaway with prizes suitable for children of all ages, and a "drive-in" movie.
Chapel Hill, North Carolina: Lateasha Camp, McDougle Elementary School After-School, 919-969-2435, lcamp@chccs.k12.nc.us
McDougle Elementary School will host an event for *Lights On Afterschool* on October 24 from 3:30 to 5:30 PM. The event will involve learning stations for students, including STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) and disability awareness activities. The event will highlight the importance of afterschool programs and ways for community members to support McDougle Elementary After-School. More than 120 people will attend.

Chapel Hill, North Carolina: Rashkis Elementary School, 919-918-2160, bcaddell@chccs.k12.nc.us
Rashkis Elementary School will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with a glow-in-the-dark party on October 24. Students will decorate t-shirts that describe their favorite part about after-school. The event will last from 3:00 to 5:00 PM. More than 50 students will attend the event.

Raleigh, North Carolina: Madison Poupard, Boys & Girls Club of Wake County, 919-427-7249, mpoupard@wakebgc.org
For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Boys & Girls Club of Wake County will host open houses in each of its locations on October 24. Students will prepare invitations and lead tours for community members. The event will last from 5:00 to 6:00 PM and more than 50 people are expected to attend each location.

Raleigh, North Carolina: Sheronda Flemming, North Carolina Center for Afterschool Programs, 919-781-6833 x135, sfleming@ncforum.org
The North Carolina Center for Afterschool Programs celebrated *Lights On Afterschool* with North Carolina First Lady Kristin Cooper on October 15th. The event was at the Governor’s Executive Mansion where the First Lady presented a Proclamation honoring the North Carolina Center for Afterschool.

Wake Forest, North Carolina: Ashley Hohenberger, Wake Forest Club - Raleigh Boys & Girls Club, 919-608-5841, ahohenberger@wakebgc.org
On Thursday, October 24 from 4:30 to 6:00 PM, the Wake Forest Boys & Girls Club will hold an open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. Parents, community members and schools staff are invited to see what goes on in the club every day. The event will showcase the club’s leadership, flag football, and Power Hour homework program, as well as other enrichment activities.

North Dakota

Fargo, North Dakota: Amber Carlstrud, Boys & Girls Club of the Red River Valley, 701-478-4066, ambercarlstrud@bgcrrv.org
On October 24, the Boys & Girls Club of the Red River Valley will hold an event for *Lights On Afterschool*. Students will decorate light bulbs and send them to their members of Congress. The event will take place at 2500 18th Street South.
St. Thomas, North Dakota: Lynde Kennelly, St. Thomas Extended School Program, 701-257-6424, lyndekay.kennelly@gmail.com
St. Thomas Extended School Program will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with decorating windows at the local post office on October 24. Students will also color light bulbs and deliver them to their family members. The event is located at 375 Heritage Street and will start at 3:00 PM. More than 50 people will attend.

Ohio

Cleveland, Ohio: Lee DeAngelis, Parents for Student Success, 216-298-4440 x16, ldeangelis@gcnca.org
Partners for Student Success (P4SS), a collaboration of after-school programs coordinated through the Greater Cleveland Neighborhood Centers Association (GCNCA), along with Cleveland State University, will host a *Lights On Afterschool* event on October 24. Fifty students in grades four through eight will participate in an engineering activity led by Cleveland State University engineering students. Students will also tour the Engineering College and watch a presentation titled “What do Engineers Do?” The event will last from 4:00 to 6:00 PM at Room 405 in Washkewicz Hall. Cleveland City School Board members may attend.

Oberlin, Ohio: David Whitworth, City of Oberlin Afterschool, 440-776-4853, dwhitworth@cityofoberlin.com
On October 24, City of Oberlin Afterschool will host its first fall festival at Eastwood Elementary School for *Lights On Afterschool*. Students will create an art project, with the *Lights On Afterschool* logo, and present it to the Oberlin City Manager. The event will also include games and activities. It will last from 3:00 to 6:00 PM.

Toledo, Ohio: Rachel Geske, After-School All-Stars Ohio, 419-450-0363, rachelleske@asasohio.org
On October 22, After-School All-Stars Ohio will hold a *Lights On Afterschool* event. Students will participate in glow-in-the-dark activities, make bookmarks, and decorate a *Lights On Afterschool* light bulb. More than 50 people will attend in each of the program’s three locations.

Upper Arlington, Ohio: Ebony Harris, After-School All-Stars-Broadleigh Elementary School, 614-900-7380, ebonyharris@asasohio.org
After-School All-Stars-Broadleigh Elementary School will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with a fall festival. The event will involve a homemade pillow sack race, a fall scavenger hunt, a fall trail mix station and a paper light bulb decorating station. It will also involve a special musical performance and motivational speech from a Prophocey, a local rapper. The event will be at Broadleigh Elementary School and will last from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. More than 60 people are expected. Food and refreshments will be provided.
Oklahoma

**Eufaula, Oklahoma:** Robin Montgomery, BEACON After School, 918-689-2682, rlmontgomery@eufaula.k12.ok.us
On October 24, Eufaula Elementary and Eufaula Middle School will hold an open house at Eufaula Elementary School for parents and community members to celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*. Activities will include athletics and STEM (science, technology, engineering and math). The event will conclude with a short assembly to promote Halloween safety.

**Fort Cobb, Oklahoma:** Robin Wade-Lynn, Fort Cobb-Broxton Public School, 405-643-2336, rwade@fcbsmustangs.com
Fort Cobb-Broxton Public School will hold an open house on October 24 for *Lights On Afterschool*. The event will involve parent-child activities, such as dominoes, box cars, and one-eyed jacks. It will last from 5:30 to 7:30 PM and more than 50 people are expected to attend.

**Tulsa, Oklahoma:** Caroline Shaw, The Opportunity Project, 918-895-6344, cshaw@theopp.org
The Opportunity Project will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with a community event on October 24. The event will include a keynote address from Karen J. Pittman, President and CEO of the Forum for Youth Investment, and a press conference with Tulsa City Mayor G.T. Bynum. Breakfast will start at 8:30 AM and the event will be at the Central Center at Centennial Park.

Oregon

**Coos Bay, Oregon:** Angie Reiber, Boys & Girls Club of Southwest Oregon, 541-267-3635, office@great-futures.org
For *Lights On Afterschool*, the Boys & Girls Club of Southwest Oregon will host an open house on October 24 from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. The event will feature STEM activities, athletics, and a “Minute to Win It” game. Food, drinks and game prizes will be provided. Parents will attend as well.

**Portland, Oregon:** Natalie Neville, Champions After School, 503-935-0905, ch001200@discoverchampions.com
Champions After School program will join the Sun School for an ice cream social as a *Lights On Afterschool* celebration. The event will start at 4:30 PM on Thursday, October 24. Families will attend the festivities as well.

Pennsylvania

**Allentown, Pennsylvania:** Joanne Garcia, Allentown School District, 484-765-4309, garciaj@allentownsd.org
Allentown School District will host a *Lights On Afterschool* event on October 24. Students from Kutztown University will attend the event and assist students with their STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) projects. The event will also include dance lessons and raffle prizes. It will be at South Mountain Middle School and will last from 5:00 to 6:30 PM. More than 50 people are expected and food will be provided.
Bensalem, Pennsylvania: Valerie Clark, Belmont B.A.S.E., 215-244-4014, basestar4@gmail.com
On October 24, Belmont B.A.S.E. will celebrate Lights On Afterschool with a Halloween dinner party for parents and students. Teacher and students will prepare a dinner buffet filled with spooky desserts. Students will also showcase their art and science skills in a talent show. State Representative Gene DiGirolomo will present a House Citation, commemorating Belmont B.A.S.E.’s 25 years of service to the community. The event will last from 4:30 to 5:30 PM at Belmont Hills Elementary School, located at 2075 Byberry Road.

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: Angela Stevens, CORA Services, 215-868-6938, astevens@coraservices.org
To celebrate Lights On Afterschool, CORA will hold a Halloween literacy night on October 24. The event will include a Halloween themed story time and an opportunity for students and parents to create their own Halloween stories using a mini storyboard. The event will last from 4:30 to 6:00 PM and 40 people are expected to attend.

For Lights On Afterschool, Feltonville Intermediate School will host a talent show on October 24, where students will showcase their singing and dancing skills. The event will also honor five individuals with Community Leadership Awards for their involvement with Feltonville Intermediate after school program. The event will start at 6:00 PM. Food and refreshments will be provided.

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania: Andrea Petrillo, Assemble: A Community Space for Arts and Technology, 412-661-6111, andrea@assemblepgh.org
On October 24 from 4 to 6 PM, Assemble Afterschool will celebrate Lights On Afterschool with engaging STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) activities. Community members of all ages will create their own LED pendants, crowns and pins to help shine the light on the importance of afterschool programs. More than 50 people are expected to attend.

Pottstown, Pennsylvania: Afterschool Ambassador Heather Dailey, iSucceed and P.R.I.D.E. Before and After School Programs, 610-310-0785, hdailey@pottstown12.org
iSucceed and P.R.I.D.E. Before and Afterschool Programs will join the YWCA Tri County Area to host a fall festival for Lights On Afterschool. The event will take place at Pottstown Middle School on October 24 from 3:15 to 6:00 PM. It will include an open house with program demonstrations and activities from community partners, an inflatable obstacle course, a Kona Ice Truck, and a visit from Trojan Man. Local and state legislators and officials may attend.

Somerset, Pennsylvania: Angela Weimer-Miller, Boys & Girls Club of Somerset County, 814-444-7252, amillerbgcsc@sasd.us
On October 23, the Boys & Girls Club of Somerset County held an open house along with a children’s performance to celebrate Lights On Afterschool. The children sang and danced to the Boys & Girls Club version of “The Adams Family”, “Ghostbusters”, and “The Monster Mash.” The event also included pumpkin painting and had more than 150 people in attendance.
from 4:00 to 6:00 PM at the The Boys & Girls Club of Somerset County and Eagleview Community Learning Center.

Rhode Island

Providence, Rhode Island: Laura Utschig, YMCA of Greater Providence, 401-456-0604, lutschig@gpymca.org
The YMCA of Greater Providence will host a Lights On Afterschool fall festival at the Robert Bailey Elementary School on Thursday, October 24 from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. Teachers will facilitate math and reading activities, including a fall story reading, a build your own storybook activity and a pumpkin music activity. The festival will also include a bouncy house, pumpkin painting, an obstacle course, Trunk-or-Treat and healthy treats. More than 150 people are expected.

Warwick, Rhode Island: Sandi Connors, Rhode Island Afterschool Network, 401-444-0660, Sandi.Connors@uwri.org
The Rhode Island Afterschool Network is hosting the Lights On Afterschool Summit at the Crowne Plaza Hotel on Oct 24 from 8 AM to 12:30 PM and will release the findings of the 2019 report on the State of Out of School Time Learning in Rhode Island. Featured speakers include State Representative Julie Casimiro, Rhode Island Department of Education Commissioner Angélica Infante-Green and Pegah Rahmanian, director of the Unity Center at Rhode Island College. Michælle Larracuente, board chair of Youth In Action and Dean of Students at Achievement First Mayoral Academy will deliver the afterschool alumni reflection. Registration can be completed online at uwriweb.org/LOA2019. As many as 300 guests may attend.

South Carolina

Charleston, South Carolina: Heather Studer, Expanded Learning, 843-402-7887, heather_studer@charleston.k12.sc.us
For Lights On Afterschool, Expanded Learning will celebrate with a Halloween carnival on October 24. The event will include costume contests, raffles, jump castles, and popcorn. It will be at the Charleston County Public Library from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. More than 300 people will attend, including policymakers. The event is free of charge.

Columbia, South Carolina. Afterschool Ambassador Dr. Traci Cooper, Richland County School District One, 803-231-6842, traci.cooper@richlandone.org
The Richland School District One is partnering with the Council for a Strong America and Fight Crime: Invest in Kids for a Lights On Afterschool event on October 24 at Sandel Elementary School. The program begins at 2:45 PM and features Zelda Waymer of the South Carolina Afterschool Alliance; Dr. Craig Witherspoon, Superintendent of Richland School District One; Leon Lott, Sheriff, Richland County; and keynote speakers South Carolina Attorney General Alan Willson and Dr. Barry Ford, President and CEO of the Council for a Strong America. After the presentations, students will participate in breakout sessions focused on gun safety, stranger danger, fire and safety prevention, and other topics. There will be a Lights On Afterschool Bulb
Coloring station, and each child will receive an Irly Bird Book on safety, courtesy of Sheriff Lott and Attorney General Wilson.

**Columbia, South Carolina:** Byron Robins, Comprehensive Remediation Program, 803-400-1692, [byron.robins@richlandone.org](mailto:byron.robins@richlandone.org)
The Comprehensive Remediation Program will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* on October 24 from 3:00 to 5:00 PM. Basketball players will read to students and lead indoor athletic games. The Columbia Sheriff’s Office, the South Carolina’s Attorney’s General’s Office, and the Council for a Stronger America will make guest appearances. The event will take place at Rosewood Elementary School and Sandel Elementary School. More than 250 people will attend.

**Mount Pleasant, South Carolina:** Sandra Reed, Mount Pleasant Academy, 843-849-2877, [sandra_reed@charleston.k12.sc.us](mailto:sandra_reed@charleston.k12.sc.us)
On October 24, Mount Pleasant Academy will host an event for *Lights On Afterschool* from 3:00 to 5:00 PM. The event will feature karate lessons, cookie bites, and trick-or-treat safety tips. In addition, Mount Pleasant Academy will provide tours for prospective parents. More than 100 people are expected to attend.

**Myrtle Beach, South Carolina:** Dione Buonto, Boys & Girls Club of the Grand Strand, 843-712-1977, [dbuonto@bgclubgs.org](mailto:dbuonto@bgclubgs.org)
The Boys & Girls Club of the Grand Strand will hold a *Lights On Afterschool* event on October 25. Twenty local businesses, along with the local police and fire department, will set up activity booths for children. More than 350 people are expected and policymakers may attend. Food and refreshments will be provided.

**South Dakota**

**Summit, South Dakota:** Dawn Marie Johnson, Summit 21st Century Community Learning Center, 605-398-6211, [dawn.m.johnson@k12.sd.us](mailto:dawn.m.johnson@k12.sd.us)
On October 17, the Summit 21st Century Community Learning Center hosted its annual *Lights On Afterschool* Halloween Costume Party. This year’s event featured a drone demonstration from the Brown County Emergency Management team and a college/career fair. Attendees participated in pumpkin decorating, haunted house tours, games, costume contests and a pie throwing fundraiser while also learning about vital local resources and organizations. Sponsors included the SD Highway Patrol, SD National Guard, Foster One SD, Sisseton Wahpeton Behavioral Health Program, Roberts County Alive and Tribal Opioid Response Project. State Representative Tamara St. John issued a *Lights On Afterschool* proclamation and the Midwest Allstar Wrestlers signed autographs and spoke of the importance of staying in school. More than 300 people attended in a town with a population of just 294.

**Waubay, South Dakota:** Roxan Christensen, Enemy Swim Day School, 605-947-4605 x3066, [rchristensen@esds.us](mailto:rchristensen@esds.us)
The Enemy Swim Day School (ESDS) Community Education Department will host their annual *Lights On Afterschool* event at Enemy Swim Day School on October 24 from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. The event will feature arts and crafts, a Scholastic Book fair, free E-Book sign ups, TOMS Shoes distributions and dinner provided by ESDS 8th grade students. Information booths will showcase
some of the many community partners, including the Indian Health Services, SWO Community Health Education, ALC Checks, Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate Tribal Education Department, ESDS Student Council and Tribal Police. The Partnership With Native Americans is sponsoring give away items for all attendees. Approximately 200 people are expected.

**Tennessee**

**Bradford, Tennessee:** Buni Wendt, Bradford School Program, 731-742-2150, wendtb@bradfordspecial.com
On November 8, the Bradford Elementary School will host a *Lights On Afterschool* chili and cornbread cook off from 6 to 8 PM in the school gymnasium. Guests will judge chili and cornbread recipes made by afterschool program students. The winners in each category will receive prizes. Guests will also create their own festive holiday cupcakes. The school superintendent will attend and approximately 100 people are expected.

**Knoxville, Tennessee:** Eric Freemon, Hardin Valley Elementary YMCA, 865-560-6619, efreemon@ymcaknoxville.org
On October 24, the Hardin Valley Elementary YMCA will host a *Lights On Afterschool* event from 3:30 to 6:00 PM that focuses on all things water. Guests will learn about the importance of water conservation and stewardship of the Tennessee River basin. Lifeguards from a local YWMA will discuss water safety and a STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) teacher will engage students and adults in water challenges, including a simulated oil spill, water filtration experiment and use of robotic balls to unclog drains. The mayor of Knoxville may attend. Approximately 150 people are expected.

**Knoxville, Tennessee:** Katie Rush, Northshore YMCA Child Care, 865-789-9201, krush@ymcaknoxville.org
In celebration of *Lights On Afterschool*, the YMCA Child Care Services at Northshore Elementary is hosting a talent show on October 30 from 4:00 to 5:00 PM. Students will entertain guests with a variety of skits, songs and performances. Artwork from the afterschool program will be displayed throughout the gym. Refreshments will be served. As many as 50 people will attend.

**Memphis, Tennessee:** Jacy Warrell, Tennessee Afterschool Network, 615-495-9970, jacy@jacywarrell.com
On October 24, the Hernando de Soto and Big River Crossing bridges in Memphis will be lit in blue and yellow in celebration of *Lights On Afterschool*. The light display will run from sundown at the top and middle of every hour until the finale at 10:30 PM. For more information about these bridges, visit [https://www.mightylights.com/](https://www.mightylights.com/).

**Nashville, Tennessee:** Afterschool Ambassador Rico X, YMCA of Middle Tennessee, 615-438-3185, rx@ymcamidtn.org
The YMCA of Middle Tennessee will hold *Lights On Afterschool* events at nine sites in three counties in Middle Tennessee on and around October 24. Six of the events, sponsored by the YMCA Z programs (a part of the Nashville After Zone Alliance) will consist of open houses that highlight the participants’ projects in the program. The other three events, sponsored by the
YMCA Fun Company program in conjunction with the Adventure Science Center, will consist of Family STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) nights for students and their families. In addition, one of Nashville’s downtown bridges will be lit for *Lights On Afterschool* on October 24 and Governor Lee has signed a proclamation for the day.

**Nashville, Tennessee:** Lisa Kelley-Inmon, Northwest YMCA, 615-259-9622, lkelley@ymcamidtn.org
In celebration of *Lights On Afterschool*, the Northwest YMCA will host a Stop the Violence fall festival on October 24 from 5:00 to 7:30 PM. The gun violence prevention event will include information booths to raise awareness and encourage community involvement. Students will perform songs about stopping the violence. The event is open to the public.

**Strawberry Plains, Tennessee:** Debbi Stade-Self, Boys & Girls Clubs of Dumplin Valley Strawberry Plains Branch, 865-898-6211, dself@bgcdumplinvalley.org
On October 24, the Boys and Girls Clubs of Dumplin Valley Strawberry Plains Branch will host a *Lights On Afterschool* open house from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. Parents and community members are invited to tour the facility and participate in educational activities. Artwork will be displayed throughout. There will be information tables set up by many community supporters, including the New Market Fire Department, Strawberry Plains Senior Center, Parrott-Wood Library and the local credit union.

**Texas**

**Austin, Texas:** Emily Martinez, Boys & Girls Clubs of the Austin Area, 512-903-6171, emily.martinez@bgcaustin.org
On October 24, Boys and Girls Clubs of the Austin Area will hold a college information session for families with high school students for *Lights On Afterschool*. The event will cover information on college selection, testing, scholarships and financial aid. Representatives from the University of Texas at Austin, along with other higher education institutions, will attend. Childcare will be provided during the event and more than 70 people are expected to attend.

**Austin, Texas:** Pamela McKinney, Govalle Elementary School, 512-841-1079, pamela.mckinney@austinisd.org
Govalle Elementary School will host an open house for *Lights On Afterschool* on October 24 from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. The event will begin with a Scouts flag ceremony followed by a welcoming address from Govalle Elementary School Principal. During the event, selected students will showcase their talents and Dr. Kelly Fox, Director of Texas Tech University Regional Teaching Sites, will deliver a speech to parents and students. The event will conclude with Kind bars and nachos. More than 100 people will attend.

**Austin, Texas:** Latash King, Harris Bulldog Afterschool, 512-841-5435, latash.king@austinisd.org
To celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*, Harris Bulldog Afterschool will host an open house at 4:00 PM on October 24. There will be SpongeBob themed activities where children will draw Squidward and make clay krabby patties. The event will take place at Harris Elementary School and light snacks will be provided. Parents and school staff will attend as well.
**El Paso, Texas:** Enrique Garcia, BOOST (Borderland Out-of-School Time) Network, 915-533-2434, egarcia@unitedwavelpaso.org
The BOOST network, as part of the IGNITE initiative of the Paso del Norte Health Foundation, will host a *Lights On Afterschool* event on October 24 from 3:30 to 6:00 PM. The event will showcase the afterschool organizations in the El Paso, Texas area and feature an El Paso city proclamation. In addition, an esteemed Boys and Girls Club alumni will deliver a speech. There will be activities for children and more than 200 people are attend.

**Fort Worth, Texas:** Sarah Walton, Clayton Youth Enrichment, 817-829-8224, swalton@claytonyouth.org
Clayton Youth Enrichment will host its third annual international festival on October 24 to celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*. The event will take place in all 80 locations in Tarrant County, Texas. Each location is assigned one country to study and students will showcase what they have learned for parents. More than 400 people are expected to attend.

**Fort Worth, Texas:** Afterschool Ambassador Miguel Garcia, Fort Worth After School, 817-815-2950, Miguel.Garcia24@fwisd.org
Fort Worth After School will celebrate its 20th year of programming and the 20th year of *Lights On Afterschool* with a birthday-themed event on October 24 from 5:00 to 6:00 PM at Van Zandt-Guinn Elementary School in Fort Worth. The event will include a birthday cake to celebrate the importance of afterschool programs. Fort Worth Mayor Betsy Price, Texas State Senator Beverly Powell, Afterschool Youth Ambassador Viridiana Gonzalez, and Fort Worth Independent School District Trustees Anael Luebanos and Tobi Jackson will attend.

**Greenville, Texas:** Afterschool Ambassador Johanna Friedel, Director, Afterschool Center of Education at Greenville ISD, 512-585-8082, friedelj@greenvilleisd.com
The Greenville Independent School District Afterschool Center of Education program’s *Lights On Afterschool* event will include a rally at the Hunt County Courthouse steps on October 24 from 5:30 - 6:30 PM, seven open houses on October 23 from 4 - 5:30 PM, and a “Lights! Flight! And Fright!” event featuring all things STEM (science, technology, engineering and math). The 50-minute guided tour of the afterschool STEM building will feature augmented reality, electrical engineering, a botany exhibit, math games with life-sized iPods, a robotic black light obstacle course, a cinematography studio featuring an interview with a vampire bat, a mad science center with exploding materials, and a homemade planetarium highlighting the autumn sky on October 26 from 11 AM - 3 PM. Greenville Mayor David Drieling, Police Chief Ramon Rodriguez, elected officials, parents, students and afterschool leaders will be among those who speak at the events.

**Houston, Texas:** Krystal Perez, Out 2 Learn Connection, 713-685-2809, kperez@unitedwayhouston.org
Out 2 Learn Connection will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with yoga near Hermann Park. The event will also include glow sticks and a photo opportunity. The Houston City Police Chief and County Commissioner may attend. More than 300 people are expected, and the event will last from 4:30 to 5:45 PM on Thursday, October 24.
San Antonio, Texas: Darronne Curtis, IDEA Carver College Prep, 210-596-3388, darronne.curtis@ideapublicschools.org
On October 24, IDEA Carver College Prep will host a fall showcase from 4:30 to 6:00 PM for *Lights On Afterschool*. The event will include three to five-minute presentations from 15 programs. The programs feature a drone demo, a cheerleading routine, and a choir performance. More than 100 people will attend.

Utah

South Salt Lake City, Utah: Afterschool Ambassador Kaylee Milliner, Promise South Salt Lake (PSSL), 801-828-7245, kmilliner@sslc.com
Promise South Salt Lake celebrated *Lights On Afterschool* by holding a grand opening for its state-of-the-art Best Buy Teen Tech Center, in addition to an open house for its longest-standing community program; the Hser Ner Moo Community and Welcome Center, run by Afterschool Ambassador Kaylee Milliner. The event began with Mayor Cherie Wood announcing the grand opening and discussing the importance of afterschool to the community and issuing a special proclamation about afterschool. The director of Promise South Salt Lake, Kelli Meranda, spoke, as did two youth. Activities included 3-D printing, demos of work done in the recording studio, virtual reality simulations, green screen photography and much more. This event was on October 1st from 4 - 6 PM. It was just one of 13 events PSSL hosted to celebrate its afterschool programming and *Lights On Afterschool* in the City of South Salt Lake.

South Salt Lake City, Utah: Daniel McArthur, Promise South Salt Lake Coordinator, Woodrow Wilson Elementary School, 801-386-0589, dmcarthur@sslc.com
Promise South Salt Lake will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* by holding an event at Woodrow Wilson Elementary for parents and families. The event will begin with an art show that will showcase some of the art projects the students have worked on in the afterschool program. Activities will include a group art activity, a recreational activity, and opportunities to get to know and meet with the afterschool program staff members. The event will be held at Woodrow Wilson Elementary school from 5:45 to 6:45 PM on October 24.

South Salt Lake City, Utah: Tori Smith, Promise South Salt Lake Center Coordinator, Roosevelt Elementary & Meadowbrook STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) Center, 801-828-8219, tsmith@sslc.com
Promise South Salt Lake's Roosevelt Elementary and Meadowbrook STEM Center co-hosted its *Lights On Afterschool* event on Monday October 21st from 5:30-7:00 PM. To celebrate what the youth have been learning this year, families and afterschool supporters participated in STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) projects, looked at projects students engaged in so far this year, entered a raffle for prizes, and explored the Wonderment Bus! Families also had the chance to receive free flu shots and Halloween costumes on a first-come, first-served basis. Refreshments and fun were provided!
South Salt Lake City, Utah: AnnElise Acosta, Promise South Salt Lake Center Coordinator, Kearns St. Ann School, 385-630-9754, aacosta@sslc.com
The Promise South Salt Lake Afterschool Program at Kearns St. Ann School celebrated *Lights On Afterschool* with a community-building open house that was held on Tuesday, October 22 from 5-6 PM. The event included a cooking demonstration led by the middle school cooking club, a guest speaker from Tiered World Studios, a STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) partner, and a group art project to create a string of lightbulbs that show the impact of afterschool programming on the youth and families at Kearns St. Ann. This event is 1 of 13 events Promise South Salt Lake hosted to celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* in the City of South Salt Lake.

Vermont
Lunenburg, Vermont: Katy Marshall, Lunenburg Elementary School, 802-343-2762, kmarshall@kingdomeast.org
On October 24, Lunenburg Elementary School will hold an open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. Students will participate in dance games, coloring activities, and Crazy 8’s. The event will last from 4:00 to 6:00 PM and community members are invited. More than 80 people will attend.

Montgomery, Vermont: Renee Roddy, Montgomery Elementary LEAPS Morning & Afterschool Program, 802-326-4618, renee.roddy@fnesu.org
Montgomery Elementary LEAPS Morning & Afterschool Program will celebrate its *Lights On Afterschool* event with gymnastics and gardening lessons on October 24. The event will include an open house and a raffle for a new gymnastics barrel. It will last from 3:30 to 5:00 PM at Montgomery Elementary School. More than 25 people will attend and local policymakers are invited.

Virginia
Alexandria, Virginia: India Traynham, The Campagna Center, 410-887-0512, itraynham@campagnacenter.org
Eleven sites of The Campagna Center will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* on October 24. Some of the events will feature recycling crafts and athletic games. The event will start at 4:30 PM and snacks will be provided. More than 800 people are expected to attend. KIND will provide free snacks bars for guests.

Alexandria, Virginia: Kesha Bridges, Patrick Henry Elementary School, 703-746-5541, kesha.bridges@alexandriava.gov
Patrick Henry Elementary School will host a fitness event for *Lights On Afterschool* on October 24. Staff, students, and parents will walk 10 laps around the gym and receive a gold medal. The event is called “GO GREEN -- Walk It Out!” and more than 200 people will attend. The event will last from 4:30 to 6:30 at the school and snacks will be provided.
Arlington, Virginia: Duana Brooks, Hoffman Boston Elementary Extended Day, 703-228-8623, duana.brooks@apsva.us
On October 24, Hoffman Boston Elementary Extended Day will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with face painting, pumpkin bowling, and donut bobbing. The event will last from 2:00 to 4:50 PM at Hoffman Boston Elementary School. The event will also include a Young Entrepreneur Pitch Challenge.

Hampton, Virginia: Afterschool Ambassador Daryle Rodgers, Hampton City Schools, 757-727-2010, drodgers@hampton.k12.va.us
Ten Hampton City Schools will participate in a *Lights On Afterschool* event on October 24. Each school has invited its families and community members to participate in a variety of afterschool activities, spotlighting the importance of afterschool programs. Hampton City Hall, along with the Virginia Air and Space Center and the Hampton Roads Convention Center, will display blue and yellow lights that evening to honor and support local afterschool programs. The featured event will be at Tarrant Middle School from 4:45 to 5:30 PM.

Harrisonburg, Virginia: Blaire Denson, Virginia Partnership for Out-of-School Time, 804-761-4173, blaire.denson@v-post.org
The *Lights On Afterschool* Mayor's Roundtable Discussion will take place October 24 from 11:00 am to 1:00pm at the Massanutten Regional Library. Harrisonburg Mayor Deanna Reed, Harrisonburg Police Chief Erik D. English, and Virginia Deputy of Secretary of Education Holly Coy will speak. Jeff Connor-Naylor from the Council for a Stronger America will discuss new data about safety and juvenile crime in Virginia from the report, *From Risk to Opportunity: Afterschool Programs Keep Kids Safe*.

Norfolk, Virginia: Susanne McMannen, Boys & Girls Club of Southeast Virginia - Norfolk, 757-581-7622, norview@bgcseva.org
On October 21, the Norfolk Boys & Girls Club of Southeast Virginia held an open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. The event highlighted the many programs offered such as Cakes with Cops and Passport to Manhood. Students sent invitations to their parents and teachers. More than 50 people attended the event.

Virginia Beach, Virginia: Debbie McGaughey, Boys & Girls Club of Southeast Virginia - Rosemont Unit, 757-831-9539, rosemont@bgcseva.org
The Rosedale Boys & Girls Club of Southeast Virginia will hold an open house on October 24 for *Lights On Afterschool*. Students will compete in a Wii Just Dance challenge, along with a ping-pong competition. The event will also include a giant game of six-square and a healthy snack station. It will last from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. More than 150 people are expected and the Virginia Beach School Superintendent may attend.

Washington

Bellevue, Washington: Leslie Haggart, 425-454-6162, lhaggert@bgcbellevue.org
On October 24, from 3pm – 5pm, youth at the Bellevue Boys & Girls Clubs will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with arts, recreation and fitness activities. A team from KIND, the snack bar
company, will provide special “kid zone” activities and free snack products for kids and families. KIND is a national partner of Lights On Afterschool, and is donating more than 250,000 snack products to afterschool programs nationwide for their celebrations.

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

Three locations of the YMCA of Snohomish County afterschool program will join together for an open house on October 24 for Lights On Afterschool. The event will involve an art project, a photo booth, and a STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activity involving circuits. It will last from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. The three locations are Chain Lake Elementary School, Freyelands Elementary School, and Maltby Elementary School.

**Newport, Washington:** Maria Town, Newport Public Library, 800-366-3654, maria@pocl.org

The Newport Public Library will hold an open house Lights On Afterschool event on October 24. Most of the activities will involve cooking and robotics classes for middle school and high school students. The event will also include card games and a Nintendo Switch. Healthy snacks will be provided. The event will last from 3:00 to 5:30 PM.

**Tukwila, Washington:** Libby Gutschenritter, After-School All-Stars Puget Sound, 253-0246-7665, libby@as-as.org

On October 24, After-School All-Stars Puget Sound will host an open house at Showalter Middle School for Lights On Afterschool. Students will color light bulbs and take pictures in a photobooth. The event will last throughout the day and more than 50 people will attend the festivities.

**West Virginia**

**Berkeley Springs, West Virginia:** Chris Risinger, Boys & Girls Club of Eastern Panhandle, 304-263-1832, morgan@bgcepwv.org

The Boys & Girls Club of Eastern Panhandle will host a pumpkin carving family night on October 24 for Lights On Afterschool. The theme is “my future is bright, no drugs in sight” and will include STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities. The event will last from 5:00 to 6:30 PM and refreshments will be provided. Tickets are $3 per person.

**Charleston, West Virginia:** Tina Stinson, 304-348-8000, Tina.Stinson@cityofcharleston.org and Susan Gamble, West Virginia Afterschool Network, 304-720-9884, skgamble@mail.wvu.edu

Mayor Amy Shuler Goodwin is hosting a roundtable, co-hosted with the West Virginia Statewide Afterschool Network, on October 24 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM at the Charleston Coliseum and Convention Center. The roundtable will feature high-level leaders from across the education, health, business, and philanthropic sectors; they will share thoughts and ideas about how to grow afterschool in the state and the importance of highlighting the work afterschool programs do to reduce substance misuse as well as develop workforce skills -- and to support the future of youth and families in West Virginia.
Wisconsin

**Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin:** Melissa Willkomm, BASE Badgerland After School Enrichment Program (Barrie), 920-728-4497, melissa@basefortatkinson.org
For *Lights On Afterschool*, BASE Badgerland After School Enrichment Program (Barrie) will hold a family STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) night on October 24. Parents and students will visit four STEM stations and receive stickers for each activity completed. The event will last from 4:30 to 6:00 PM.

**Marshfield, Wisconsin:** Connie Sersch, Marshfield Clinic Health System Youth Net, 715-221-8427, sersch.connie@marshfieldclinic.org
On October 24, the Marshfield Clinic Health System Youth Net will host an open house for *Lights On Afterschool*. State Representative Brian Kulp, State Representative John Spiros, and Marshfield City Mayor will attend. The event will last from 4:30 to 6:00 PM and 75 people are expected.

**Madison, Wisconsin:** Ashley Rose, Wisconsin Youth Company, 608-276-9782, arose@wisconsinyouthcompany.org
Wisconsin Youth Company will hold a family night on October 24 to celebrate *Lights On Afterschool*. Students will make clothespin flashlights, along with other art projects for the evening. Leslie Orrantia, Madison City Deputy Mayor, will make a special visit. The event will last from 4:30 to 5:45 PM at the Leopold Elementary School Cafeteria. More than 150 people will attend.

**Milwaukee, Wisconsin:** Dawn Mendoza, Starms ECC, 414-418-6836, dawney4me@yahoo.com
On October 24, Starms ECC will host a *Lights On Afterschool* event at Francis Starms School. The event will include face painting, tattooing, a slime maker, and a glow-in-the-dark dance. Children will also display art projects and tour an ambulance truck. Local police and firefighters will attend, along with 75 families. Food will be provided. The event will last from 5:00 to 8:00 PM.

**Siren, Wisconsin:** Bret Iverson, Siren School District, 715-566-0048, biverson@siren.k12.wi.us
For *Lights On Afterschool*, Siren School District will host a fall festival on October 24. Teachers will run games and activities for students, including pumpkin carving. The event will last from 4:00 to 6:00 PM at Siren School cafeteria. More than 100 people are expected and policymakers may attend. Food and refreshments will be provided.

Wyoming

**Cheyenne, Wyoming:** Nicole Perez, Boys & Girls Club of Cheyenne, 307-778-6674, NPerez@bgcchey.org
A variety of carnival games and activity stations will greet the approximately 200 people who attend the Fall Fest Carnival at the Boys & Girls Club of Cheyenne. The October 24 event will run from 5:00 to 6:30 PM.
**Douglas, Wyoming:** Terri Lynne Deaver, Converse County 4-H, 269-350-0150, tdeaver2@uwyo.edu
Converse County 4-H will celebrate *Lights On Afterschool* with a special visit from the cookie monster on October 24 at Converse County Public Library. The event will last from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. The Boys & Girls Club of Douglas, the Douglas Recreation Center, and the Hope Center will all contribute to the event. Douglas City’s mayor will deliver a speech and more than 150 people are expected.

**Landers, Wyoming:** Ceariss Wall, Principal, Pathfinder High School and *Lights On* Director, 307-335-7050, cwall@landerschools.org
*Lights On in Lander* this year will be on October 23 from 5:30 to 6:30 PM, hosted by the *Lights On in Lander K-5* afterschool program. It will feature a variety of STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities, as well as crafts, food, and games. Guests will include students, families and school board and community members. The event will be in the high school gym. Approximately 200 people are expected.

For more information on *Lights On Afterschool*, please visit the Afterschool Alliance website, www.AfterschoolAlliance.org.

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