Preparing for Back to School and Navigating Summer in the Time of COVID-19: What Do Parents Need and What are Out-of-School-Time Programs Able to Offer
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Welcome!
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Methodology

**Program provider survey:**
- Online survey conducted by Edge Research
- July 20 - Aug. 31
- n= 1,047
- 49 states and Washington, D.C.

**Parent survey:**
- Nationally representative online survey conducted by Edge Research
- Aug. 4 - 18
- n= 1,071
Programs serving mostly higher-income children are almost **twice as likely** as programs serving mostly low-income children to report being physically open.

### Physically open in some capacity
- Programs serving mostly higher-income students: 73%
- Programs serving mostly lower-income students: 38%

### Physically open to all children*
- Programs serving mostly higher-income students: 95%
- Programs serving mostly lower-income students: 73%

*Among providers that report being physically open.
Widening inequities

21st CCLC programs were less likely to be physically open this summer, in part due to higher likelihood of being located in a public school.
Nearly half of low-income parents (49%) are concerned about being able to juggle working remotely and monitoring their child’s distance learning.
Looking to the fall, programs serving mostly higher-income children are more likely to report planning to serve students in person in some capacity.

- In-person services only: 15% (44%)
- In-person or hybrid model: 57% (73%)

Programs serving mostly lower-income students
75% of programs are extremely or very concerned about their ability to serve families who will need afterschool programs for longer periods of time due to virtual and hybrid school schedules.
Challenges programs face

Most programs report concerns about operations in the face of the coronavirus

- **86%**
  - New restrictions will make programming cost prohibitive
  - Somewhat concerned

- **82%**
  - Availability of physical space
  - Very concerned

- **76%**
  - Finding staff to hire/staffing shortages
  - Extremely concerned
Stepping up to meet needs

Only 5% of providers reported being completely closed this summer

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Programs are providing critical supports, in particular, programs serving low-income students.

- Serving youth & finding ways to stay connected to youth:
  - Overall: 54%
  - Serving mostly low-income students: 62%
- Serving or delivering meals:
  - Overall: 47%
  - Serving mostly low-income students: 55%
- Connecting families with community resources:
  - Overall: 45%
  - Serving mostly low-income students: 54%
27% of programs report serving children of essential workers, up from 18% in the spring.
9 in 10 parents with a child in a summer program were satisfied with their child’s overall summer experience, 57% were extremely satisfied.
89% of program providers are concerned about the long-term funding and future of their program.
A growing uncertainty

% of providers reporting that they are extremely or very concerned about the following:

- Loss of funding to program this year: 55% (Wave 1) and 63% (Wave 2)
- Long-term funding & program’s future: 63% (Wave 1) and 70% (Wave 2)
- Families coming back after pandemic is over: 48% (Wave 1) and 52% (Wave 2)
64% of program providers are concerned about having to permanently close their program, with 22% extremely concerned.
programs are concerned that children in their community who needed summer programming were not able to access it.
Support for summer and afterschool program funding

An overwhelming majority of parents favor public funding for afterschool and summer learning opportunities.
74% of parents agree the pandemic has made them appreciate teachers and afterschool program providers more than ever.
Find the survey at:


PowerPoint: https://3to6.co/survey-results-w2-ppt
Featured Guests

Alicia Copeland
Youth Programs Director
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Kujanga Jackson (KJ)
Executive Director
TOUCH/TheZone
Lights On Afterschool 2020: Rising to the Moment

- **Virtual Lights On activities** - in the works for week of Oct 19
  - National Youth Town Hall, Oct 22, 6pm ET

- **Updated event planning toolkit** - afterschoolalliance.org/loa.cfm
  - Virtual and small group activities
  - Ideas for showcasing activities online
  - Making Lights On visible in communities
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