



The Future of Afterschool in New Hampshire

Afterschool, summer learning, and other out-of-school time (OST) programs are a life-line for youth and families across our state. They help kids learn and grow, keep them safe, and allow parents to work without worry. The New Hampshire Afterschool Network is working to ensure that all young people in our state have access to high-quality OST experiences that help them prepare for a bright future.

New Hampshire Afterschool Network (NHAN)

NHAN unites providers, families, businesses, leaders, community organizations, and policymakers to enhance OST experiences. Through education, advocacy, and collaboration, we aim to influence public policy, secure resources, and enhance OST professionalism and program quality. NHAN is building bridges and nurturing partnerships to ensure high-quality OST experiences for all New Hampshire youth, families, and communities.

How We Can Work Together

NHAN supports New Hampshire's OST providers. Here's how we can help you:

- 1 Partner With Us.**
We identify, cultivate, and bring together the brightest minds from across the state to champion and improve funding for and access to quality OST programs.
- 2 Find Free Data, Tools, and Resources.**
Look to NHAN for the latest events, competitions, materials, tools, research, and trends about the OST field—including insights about what youth need and want in their programs.
- 3 Get Funding Alerts and News.**
We can help identify and share new state grant and funding opportunities for OST programs, and scholarship or tuition assistance opportunities for programs, providers, and the youth they serve. NHAN also produces a monthly STEM newsletter.
- 4 Grow Professionally.**
We regularly share free conference and professional development opportunities, including resource guides, lesson plans, and toolkits to help OST providers learn and grow in their careers.
- 5 Amplify Your Voice.**
NHAN mobilizes OST supporters to increase public awareness and investment in OST and advance policies to help address your program's needs. We regularly monitor relevant legislation; review state and federal budgets, committee hearings; and elections, and meet with legislators to improve our knowledge of OST issues.



Building a Better Future Together for Our Kids

Afterschool, summer, and other OST programs are essential to our education system, and New Hampshire families need our support more than ever before.

OST programs are uniquely designed to engage young people in enriching activities that spark their curiosity and accelerate learning. They provide safe, welcoming spaces where youth connect with mentors who help them develop life skills, build healthy relationships, and explore future careers. Working families across our state rely on OST programs to keep their jobs and have peace of mind, knowing their kids are in good hands.

We're hopeful about the future of OST in New Hampshire. Working together, we believe that we can build a robust learning environment that will benefit generations to come, strengthen our workforce, and boost our economic growth.

A National Network to Broaden Opportunities

Established with support from the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation, NHAN is one of 50 state afterschool networks dedicated to informing policy, developing partnerships, and shaping practices to sustain and increase the quality of afterschool programs nationwide.

OST in New Hampshire

Program availability, cost, and transportation issues prevent families from participating.

Programs struggle with:

- hiring and retaining staff
- funding
- training and professional development

67,000

number of children waiting for an afterschool program

2 in 1

For every child enrolled in a program, 2 more are waiting to get in

Families value and rely on programs.

94%

of parents are satisfied with their child's program

82%

of parents say programs provide kids opportunities to learn life skills

89%

of parents report their program helps them keep their job

There is strong, bipartisan support for greater investment in afterschool.

86% of New Hampshire parents support public funding for programs

95%

Democrats

75%

Republicans

88%

Independents

Source: [America After 3PM](#)

About NHAN

The New Hampshire Afterschool Network (NHAN) is a statewide organization that unites providers, families, businesses, community leaders, organizations, and policymakers to enhance out-of-school experiences.

By building bridges and nurturing partnerships, NHAN strives to enrich the lives of children and youth, ensuring they have access to high-quality, enriching out-of-school experiences that positively impact their growth, learning, and future success.

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