



New Hampshire  
Afterschool Network

# What Is NHAN?

NHAN is managed by a dedicated team of NH Afterschool stakeholders and professionals to promote quality out of school time programming and bring awareness to the important role Afterschool plays for NH youth and families.



**Our mission is to actively support the development, sustainability, and accessibility of high quality afterschool experiences for NH youth.**

- ▶ NHAN connects afterschool programs with the resources they need to provide high-quality afterschool programming.
- ▶ NHAN advocates for New Hampshire out-of-school time programming at the local, state and national level.
- ▶ NHAN influences public policy encouraging support for afterschool funding at the state and national level to ensure all youth in New Hampshire have access to high-quality afterschool programming.

# PROMOTING PROGRAM QUALITY

- ▶ Showcasing NH out of school time programs and youth development staff
- ▶ Celebrating Credentialed Afterschool Professionals
- ▶ Connecting AS Professionals to resources through effective outreach
- ▶ Identifying and sharing grant and funding opportunities
- ▶ Endorsing and promoting quality assessment tools
- ▶ Endorsing Competencies & Standards; best practices; credentialing tool
- ▶ Promoting staff recruitment & retention; job board
- ▶ Sharing Conference & Professional Development Opportunities (ACROSS NH)
- ▶ Leveraging partner relationships to benefit afterschool program quality by expanding resources
- ▶ Website and Social media

## POLICY WORK

- ▶ Monitoring legislation
- ▶ Proposing legislation (state afterschool bill)
- ▶ Updating on state and federal budget, committee hearings, legislation, elections
- ▶ Preparing statements for public comment at legislative hearings
- ▶ Meeting with legislators to educate on afterschool issues
- ▶ Writing letters to the editor
- ▶ Providing programs toolkits for legislative advocacy
- ▶ Augmenting youth development voice by encouraging coordinated advocacy
- ▶ Data collection analysis and reporting

## ADVOCACY

- ▶ Building partnerships & relationships that intersect with youth development & NH
- ▶ Identifying & Celebrating Afterschool Champions & Partners who believe in quality out of school time
- ▶ Celebrating NH Youth & Youth Voice
- ▶ Mapping Programs and Identifying Out of School Time Deserts
- ▶ Data collection analysis and reporting

## NH INITIATIVES

- ▶ Workforce development & Career Pathways (Economic Development Plan)
- ▶ Social and Emotional Learning
- ▶ ACES and Trauma informed care (Mental Health Plan)
- ▶ Drug & Substance Abuse Prevention (SAMSHA)
- ▶ Alignment with the School Day (NH DOE; ESSA)
- ▶ School Safety and Violence Prevention