

Parent and Family Engagement: An Engage Every Student Webinar



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Raise the Bar: Lead the World

On Tuesday, January 24, 2023, U.S. Secretary of Education Miguel Cardona launched “Raise the Bar: Lead the World.” In a speech at the U.S. Department of Education, Secretary Cardona laid out the Department’s focus for the year, building off his priorities to promote academic excellence for every learner and to better prepare our nation for global competitiveness.



“In today’s economy and in our future, postsecondary credentials are essential for success. We want every student to graduate from high school with a solid onramp to a rewarding career. So, we have work to do to ensure every student has a pathway to success.”

Secretary of Education Miguel Cardona

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ACHIEVE ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

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BOLDLY IMPROVE LEARNING CONDITIONS

- » Eliminate the educator shortage for every school
- » Invest in every student's mental health and well-being

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CREATE PATHWAYS FOR GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT

- » Ensure every student has a pathway to college and a career
- » Provide every student with a pathway to multilingualism

**Engage Every Student is
a bold call to action to
provide high-quality
out-of-school time
learning opportunities
for every child who
wants to participate.**



The **U.S. Department of Education** is proud to be collaborating with a group of diverse stakeholders to Engage Every Student.

- ❑ AASA, the School Superintendents Association
- ❑ Afterschool Alliance
- ❑ National League of Cities
- ❑ National Summer Learning Association
- ❑ National Comprehensive Center at Westat



Join Us!



Become an **ALLY** of
Engage Every Student.



Make a **PLEDGE** to work
toward Afterschool and
Summer for all.

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Raise the Bar: Lead the World ED Highlights

- ▶ “Raise the Bar: Lead the World” is the U.S. Department of Education’s call to action to transform P-12 education and unite around what truly works—based on decades of experience and research—to advance educational equity and excellence.
- ▶ Parents, families and caregivers are essential partners in education.
- ▶ Secretary Miguel Cardona calls for [Raising the Bar for Parent Partnership in Our Schools](#)

KEY FOCUS AREAS

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Please visit [ED.gov](#) to learn more about the specific strategies outlined in our plan, get connected to resources, and find links to grants that can support the efforts and strategies of states and districts.

Every child deserves the benefits of strong parent partnership between home and school.

The US Department of Education supports parents, families, educators, and state and local leaders to strengthen parent partnership for student success.





Family Engagement Resources ED Highlights

- ▶ [Family Engagement Learning Series](#)
- ▶ [Parent Empowerment Pop Ups](#)
- ▶ Resources for parents and educators
 - ▶ Sample Questions Parents and Families Can Ask to Partner with Your Child's Teachers and School
 - ▶ [ED website](#) (under construction)
- ▶ Outreach

- ▶ Out of school time learning supports learning acceleration. Keep up the great work!
- ▶ Parent Partnership supports student success. Engage parents and caregivers in your programs from design to implementation.
- ▶ Federal and local funds are often available. Identify funding for sustainability of your program.
- ▶ Parents and families: Get support accessing after school and summer learning [here](#).



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Nita M. Lowey 21st
Century Community
Learning Centers
Grant Program

Parent and Family Engagement
Overview

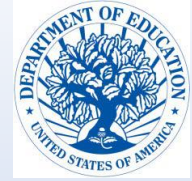




About 21st Century Community Learning Centers

The Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) grant is a State formula-grant program authorized under Title IV, Part B, of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended by the *No Child Left Behind Act of 2001*.

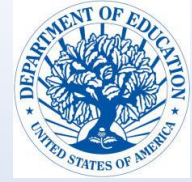
- Supports the creation of community learning centers
- Provides academic enrichment opportunities
- Present in 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and the Bureau of Indian Education during non-school hours
- Targets students who attend high-poverty and low-performing schools
- Helps students meet state and local academic standards in core academic subjects, such as reading and math



21st CCLC Activities and Programs

- Youth Development and Service Learning
- Nutrition and Health Education
- Drug and Violence Prevention
- Counseling Programs
- Art and Music
- Physical Fitness and Wellness
- Technical Education
- Financial and Environmental Literacy
- Internships/Apprenticeships





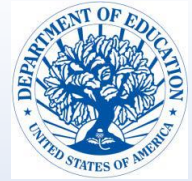
Federal Legislative Support for Parent and Family Engagement in 21st CCLC

SEC. 4201.20 U.S.C. 7171 PURPOSE; DEFINITIONS.

(a) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this part is to provide opportunities for communities to establish or expand activities in the community learning centers that—

(3) Offer families of students served by community learning centers opportunities for active and meaningful engagement in their children’s education, including literacy and related educational development.

21st CCLC's Approach to Parent and Family Engagement



- Meet parents and families where they are
- Establish and cultivate relationships
- Consider the needs of families and address ways to meet them
- Establish and maintain goals
- Cultivate an environment of inclusiveness that invites collaboration
- Allow roles and processes to evolve

Role of Parents and Families in the 21st CCLC Programs



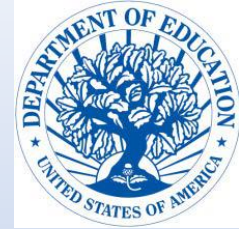
- Stakeholders/Partners
- Parent Liaisons
- Parent Advisors/Thought Partners
- Parent/Community Partnerships
- Focus Group Participants
- Volunteers/Mentors
- 21st CCLC Staff



Parent and Family Engagement in 21st CCLC Programs

- In-person interactive events, activities, and/or pieces of training
- Virtual interactive webinars/training
- Documented take-home projects
- Specifically Designed Courses/Professional Development
- Family-led activities/workshops
- Family Engagement FAQ Development

For more information



- [Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Centers - Office of Elementary and Secondary Education](#)
- [Y4Yarchives.org](#)

Thank You!



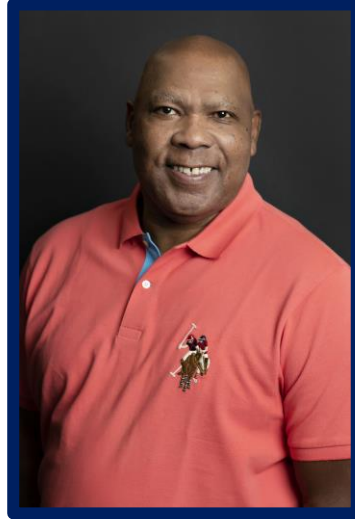
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Panelists



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WASHINGTON STATE

21ST CENTURY COMMUNITY
LEARNING CENTER'S



- Region covers 23 school districts
- 21st Century has served up to 13 local programs at a time
- Currently serve 6 programs in Elementary, Middle School, and High Schools, along with a Community Center

- **Parent Engagement**

- Citizenship Classes
 - Community Resource Nights
 - Paint Nights
 - Talent Shows
 - STEM Nights
 - Parent Academies
 - Drug and Alcohol Prevention
 - Computer Applications
 - Reading Nights
 - Community Partnerships
 - FASFA/College Fairs
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- **Sustainability**

- Title Funding
- Library collaborations
- GEAR UP
- Communities in Schools
- School Tutoring
- Big Box Companies
- Fundraiser Nights
 - Comedy
 - Student Artwork
 - Local Artist Donations
 - Silent Auctions



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YOUTH EDUCATION AND ENGAGEMENT



OAKRIDGE NEIGHBORHOOD – YOUTH EDUCATION AND ENGAGEMENT

- ❖ Iowa's largest Section 8 housing complex
 - 300 townhomes, 39 senior living apartments
 - 779 residents, 62% refugees and immigrants
 - From 20 countries speaking 17 languages
 - 52% children under age of 18
 - Poverty level exceeding 95%
- ❖ Includes effective family-centered social services, including Youth Education and Engagement
 - Designated 21st Century Learning Center
 - Robust afterschool and out-of-school programming
 - Focused on academics, social/emotional and enrichment
 - Served 313 K-12 students in 2022

YOUTH EDUCATION AND ENGAGEMENT – FAMILY PARTICIPATION

- ❖ Registration for afterschool programming at back-to-school open houses at feeder schools
- ❖ National Night Out
- ❖ Fall Festival
- ❖ STEAM on the Ridge
- ❖ SEL introduction and family meal

YOUTH EDUCATION AND ENGAGEMENT - SUSTAINABILITY

- ❖ Since being designated a 21st Century Learning Center in 2015
 - 60 partners have contributed goods, services
 - Significantly strengthened ON programming
 - Total value: \$504,205
 - Our youth scholars have greatly benefited!



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THANK YOU!





**FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT[®]
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**

AT THE Y, WE KNOW THAT LASTING PERSONAL AND SOCIAL CHANGE COMES ABOUT WHEN WE ALL WORK TOGETHER AND THAT'S WHY STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY IS OUR CAUSE & YOUTH DEVELOPMENT IS OUR COMMITMENT.

**YMCA OF CENTRAL OHIO
Community Strengthening Programs**

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For more than 165 years, the YMCA of Central Ohio has been dedicated to serving children, youth, families, and our community.

As community needs evolve, so do the services we provide.

YCO's Community Strengthening, Afterschool, & Out of School Programming serves more than 23,000 individuals each year.

Each program has a unique funding source, data requirement, and measurement of fidelity.

COMMUNITY STRENGTHENING & YOUTH DEVELOPMENT OVERVIEW

- Goal - to support & strengthen youth and families within all Y programs & in our community while collaborating with other organizations
- YCO's Community Strengthening programs are home and community based, offered at no cost to families
- YCO's Youth Development programs offer fee based (low and no cost) out of school and afterschool programs throughout Central Ohio
- Families and individuals, we serve do not need to be members of the Y
- We build meaningful relationships with youth, families, and our community

Community Strengthening Programming is 100% grant & donor funded-our programs are offered at no cost to the youth and families we serve.

Youth Development Programming is partially & fully subsidized by discounts grants, or publically funded child care subsidies; as well as private pay options.

CORE SERVICES

- Infant Mortality, Early Intervention, & Early Learning Programs
- Developmental & Social-Emotional Screenings, Speech Therapy, & Kindergarten Readiness
- Inclusive Activities & Support for those who have Diverse-Abilities
- Juvenile Justice Programs
- New American Welcome Center & Y Without Walls
- Trauma Informed Care, Resiliency Coaching, & Mental Health First Aid for Youth
- Stable Families-Academic Success, Increased Income, and Safe & Secure Housing
- STEM Education and Access, Y Club, & Teen Programs
- Day & Overnight Camp and Summer Enrichment/Learning Loss Prevention

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Closing Remarks



Thank you for attending today's
Engage Every Student Webinar.
Help us continue to refine future engagement
opportunities by completing our short
evaluation using the link in the chat.

