

Welcome!

I'm very happy to share this online community with you, our talented and hard-working 21st Century afterschool professionals. We've developed this entire website based on what you're telling us you need to create engaging afterschool programs. The site will help you connect and share resources with your colleagues, provide professional development and technical assistance opportunities, and offer tools for improving your program practices.

Thank you for joining us!

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Y4Y features six learning modules important to 21st CCLC and out-of-school time professionals. Each module builds knowledge, skills, and resources to deepen professional learning, program improvement, and sustainability.

Y4Y Learning Modules

Project-Based Learning

Learn how to engage students in inquiry-based learning and authentic projects. Civic learning and engagement is a great example of project-based learning in action, and is embedded within the module.

Aligning with the School Day

Explore the “what” and “how” of aligning out-of-school time and expanded learning time experiences with what happens during the school day.

STEM

Discover how to integrate science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) topics across programming to enhance academic and 21st century skill-building.

Strengthening Partnerships

Gain strategies and tools to add depth and breadth to your program through partnerships with experts and organizations in your community and beyond.

Family Engagement

Find resources for creating a program culture that enables staff to get to know families, design activities that involve family members, and provide services to support families.

Literacy

Understand how literacy skills develop over time, what skills students need to be successful, and how to promote positive reading and writing behaviors.



Where Do I Start?

The blue toolbar is the starting point to access all the great Y4Y resources for your 21st CCLC program. The following steps will help you navigate and make the most of the portal resources.



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Learn

1. Click on the Learn tab to see the selection of learning topics.
2. Select a module to deepen understanding of a specific topic.
3. Go through the following sections:
 - [Introduction](#) provides an overview of the module, including principles, practices, and examples.
 - [Implementation Strategies](#) provides tips and methods for applying the content and making the module come to life.
 - [Coaching My Staff](#) is designed for site leaders to train staff.
 - [Tools](#) provides ready-to-use and customizable tools that can assist you in planning, implementing, and assessing.

Tools

1. Use the Tools tab to find resources for working with your staff.
2. Select the module topic to find tools to
 - [Learn](#)
 - [Assess and Reflect](#)
 - [Plan and Implement](#)
 - [Train](#)
3. Download or print templates and planners to help you design high-quality programming. Access additional resources in the
 - [Learn More Library](#)
 - [Drug and Alcohol Prevention Resources](#)
 - [Afterschool Training Toolkit](#)

Teach

1. Use the Teach tab to find trainings to deliver to your staff.
2. Select a module topic.
3. Go through the following sections:
 - [Trainings to Go](#) are hour-long training plans that include a PowerPoint, handouts, and training guides.
 - [Training Starters](#) help you plan trainings on key topics related to the subject matter.
 - [Tools](#) are ready-to-use and customizable resources that can assist you in planning, implementing, and assessing your projects.

Network

1. Connect with other out-of-school time professionals and share ideas.
2. Select a section to engage with the 21st CCLC community across the nation:
 - [Blog](#): Check out our blog to stay informed about Y4Y resources and professional development.
 - [Webinars](#): Access past webinars and register for upcoming live webinars.
 - [Discussion Boards](#): Post your successes and challenges and interact online.
 - [Promising Practices Gallery](#): Share materials, photos, or videos of your program with others.

