

Advocacy Community of Practice

The Goal of this group is to support a Community of Practice, where we build capacity in our local and national advocacy efforts. Members will coordinate advocacy events in their program/community, in order to foster a campaign of sustainability and access for out-of-school time and expanded learning programs. By making phone calls, writing letters and hosting site visits, this group will raise awareness about the critical role these programs play for youth, families, and communities.

One event is **National Read Across America Day**, which is an annual event for schools all over the world to come together and show a real passion for reading. This event also serves as an opportunity for all programs to host a site visit, for an elected official, to show support for After School programming.



| <u>Resources</u> | <u>Commitments</u> |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Network and support of after school professionals▪ Toolkits designed to simplify the process for first time advocates▪ One on one guidance for planning a Read Across America event | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Coordinate or support a Read Across America event▪ Participate in Advocacy Community of Practice meetings▪ Advance local-level advocacy efforts within the community |

*Meeting dates for the 2018-19 school year are TBD

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