

A Comprehensive Approach to After School

A historic step forward was taken in 2000 when Mayor Michael B. Coleman developed a new model for after school programs. Four pilot sites were created at area Community Recreation Centers. This model incorporates trained staff, state-of-the-art technology, high expectations and high performance standards designed to enhance student's academic achievement and to also provide participants with a safe place to learn and play when school is out. We are affectionately known as Mayor Mike's Capital Kids. We serve youth in grades K-5. We are strategically located in areas where the schools have the most need. Columbus City Schools is the feeder school for our program. The maximum number of program participants per site is limited to a max of 35 kids. We currently have Capital Kid programs at the following Community Recreation Centers. **Contact the site directors for more information:**

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RECREATION AND PARKS
DEPARTMENT

Our mission is to enrich the lives of our citizens.
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What our Enrichment Program is all about:

- We offer academic assistance, including help with their homework, science projects, reading and math. We are in the schools daily and work with the teachers and administrators on developing achievable learning plans for students. We participate in IAPs and conferences with families.
- We serve a nutritious hot meal or snack daily, which the children receive as soon as they arrive at the site from school. Our philosophy is that a child can't learn without food as fuel. In partnership with Mid-Ohio Food Bank, we also offer our families free weekend take home groceries.
- We offer enrichment activities such as cooking, gardening, nutrition, drama, art, fitness, Girlscouts and Boy Scouts.
- We facilitate prevention programs in anger management, substance abuse, bullying, violence and peer mediation.
- We offer recreation and socialization through ball games, board games, outdoor play and group activities.
- A must for our program is strong family involvement. We have family fun nights, resource referrals, parent/staff conferences, parent/teacher conferences and newsletters.

Our Partners:

The City of Columbus is proud to provide funding to agencies following the Capital Kids model. To see more information on which agencies are funded please check our web page at: Columbus.gov/Capital Kids under the "Afterschool Agencies" tab.

Learn more about us.

Check out Capital Kids on: 

Capital Kids enrichment program film
Capital Kids "be somebody" video
Capital Kids fight bullying video

Check out our webpage at:
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