



Minneapolis Afterschool Network

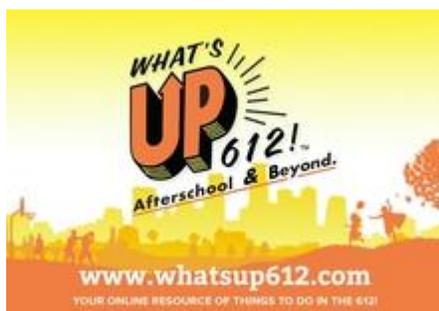
Citywide Out-of-School Time System for Minneapolis

An Initiative of the Minneapolis Youth Coordinating Board

Newsletter

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New look coming soon to What's Up 612!



The Minneapolis Afterschool Network's "What's Up 612!" program finder is getting a brand new look. After much consideration and feedback received from youth and the organization's partners, "What's Up 612" is being turned into a directory in the hopes of improving the user's experience.

The goal of the redesign is to provide users with more complete citywide information on afterschool & summer programs as well as the ability to find program locations across the city through mapping. With these changes, we hope to cut down on staff time dedicated to updating content for partners and YCB.

New format changes will include:

- From news aggregation (dates, times, etc) to more stable program information
- Clearer search options
- Mapping of program locations
- Re-organized site map

"What's Up 612!" was originally launched in 2015 to not only connect parents, youth, educators and youth workers to citywide activities, but also to address and improve the opportunity gap.

Upcoming Events

Visit our Professional Development Calendar

Find out about events, seminars and classes for youth work professionals on YCB's Professional Development Calendar.

Click [here](#) to learn more.

SAVE THE DATE

Partners Conference Oct. 19, 2017

Join the Minneapolis Youth Coordinating Board, the Minneapolis Health Department and the department of Community Planning & Economic Development for its annual Partners with Youth Conference Oct. 19, 2017 from 9am -3pm at Whittier School.

For more information contact Phil Rooney at 612-607-4091 or at phil.rooney@minneapolismn.gov.

SEL Training Suite at the U of M

U of M Extension Center for Youth Development offering SEL Training Suite this fall.

[SEL in Practice](#) - Sept. 7
[Mapping SEL in Youth Programs](#) - Sept. 22
[Responsive Practices to Support SEL](#) - Oct. 4

Be on the lookout for the re-launch of What's Up 612! this fall.

The YCB & MHD team up for a 2nd Youth Worker Summit



On June 23, 2017, the Minneapolis Afterschool Network and the Minneapolis Health Department held its Minneapolis Youth Worker Summit Summer Session at the Minnesota Indian Women's Resource Center. Participants and practitioners from the Minneapolis Youth Congress, Youth Farm, Plymouth Christian Youth Center, Step Up, and the Minneapolis School Based Clinic's Youth Council shared their experiences and perspective on the importance of OST programming and the role it has played in their lives both as youth and as youth work professionals.

Based on the feedback provided by attendees, it is important to not only include the youth voice, but make sure youth providers are listening intently and utilizing it in the best possible way. In the future attendees hope to see more youth involvement and time provided for small group discussions.

The summit is the second of a series co-sponsored by the Minneapolis Afterschool Network; an initiative of the Minneapolis Youth Coordinating Board, and the MHD, together with neighborhood youth work circles.

(Re)Imagine the Power of You: Inspiring Experienced and Emerging Leaders

Join the [MnAEYC-MnSACA](#) Thursday, July 20, 2017 from 7:45 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. at Normandale Community College for

Highlight Your Afterschool Program in What's Up 612!



Help families and youth find things to do in the 612! With [What's Up 612!](#) now it's even easier to let others know about opportunities and resources available outside of the classroom. To have your program, resources, and/or events featured in What's Up 612! simply submit the following:

- Brief description of program
- Activity Type; Health & Fitness, Academics, Arts etc.
- Targeted grade level(s)
- Location address
- Contact information and website address
- Photo and/or video (recommended but not required)

What's Up 612! is an online resource for children and youth ages 5-21 where citywide afterschool programs, summer activities and resources can be found. To have your program listed, click [here](#).

Thank you all for your work to benefit Minneapolis children and young people. Please share this e-newsletter with colleagues, especially with those who work with children, young people, families and the broader Minneapolis community.

For more information on the Minneapolis Afterschool Network and its initiatives as well as ways to engage, please contact our Director of Projects [Phil Rooney](#) via email or at 612-673-2131.



Together, better.

(Re)Imagine the Power of You conference.

The average person spends over 100,000 hours of their life working, so it's important to have passion or purpose in the work we do. Whether you are currently in an afterschool program leadership position or desire to be in one, imagining or reimagining your power is central to achieving more. This institute is designed to re-inspire those that need it, to help leaders find inspiration and to support the skills needed to inspire others.

More information about the keynote and breakout sessions, click [here](#). This event is part of MnAEYC's 2017 Summer Leadership Institute.

[Registration](#) closes on **Friday, July 14.**

Summer youth resources

Checkout some of the resources available this summer for youth in Minneapolis!

Free Meals: Thanks to [Summer Eats Minnesota](#), finding free meals around the city has gotten easier. This app accesses nearly 700 sites across the state serving free, healthy meals to youth. Hunger Impact Partners partnered with the Minnesota Department of Education and Minneapolis Public Schools to develop the app this summer.

Bus Passes: [Metro Transit](#) is offering high school students unlimited rides on buses and trains (up to a \$3 fare*) anytime between 5 a.m. and 10 p.m. every day of the week. Passes are valid from June 1 through Sept. 5. Click [here](#) for more information.

YMCA Youth Membership: Greater Twin Cities YMCA is offering free summer memberships to high school students as part of their program "[Get Summer.](#)" This includes access to gyms, pools, weight rooms and fitness classes.

