

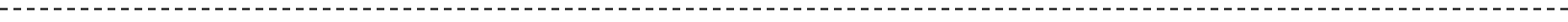


GUIDE TO



LEARNINGWORKS

B**AST**



LearningWorks AfterSchool and Summer Programs are free educational opportunities that serve students in grades 2–5 at eleven schools in Biddeford, Portland, South Portland, and Waterboro. 21st Century Community Learning Center Funding and other charitable support makes LearningWorks programs available at no cost to families.

WELCOME!

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CONTACT INFORMATION

AfterSchool Hours

September 17th – May 30th*

Monday – Thursday

2:30pm – 5:00pm

*Tentative End Date
(pending snow days)

Summer Program Hours

July 8th – August 2nd

Monday – Friday

8:00am – 12:00pm

Attendance Policy

When students attend regularly, we typically see increases in school administered math and reading assessment scores.

Since space is limited and waiting lists are common, regular attendance is required. However, if a family has competing activities, it's possible to modify the students' schedule. Please contact us with any questions or concerns.

PROGRAM HOURS & ATTENDANCE

To be eligible for the program, students must have an academic need as well as the ability to control their behavior.

Guiding Philosophy

- Processing challenging behaviors with students, rather than punishing
- Caring and consistent limits, with reasonable and logical consequences
- Modeling behaviors

General Protocols

Step 1: In- classroom interventions

Step 2: Site Coordinator Intervention

Step 3: Parent involvement

LearningWorks and District Expectations

- ✓ Be Safe
- ✓ Be Respectful
- ✓ Be Responsible

BEHAVIOR POLICY

SUPPORTING STUDENTS' SUCCESS

Consistent participation in afterschool programs leads to improved:



Behavior



Academics



Attendance

Parents say their afterschool programs provide opportunities that help their children succeed.



- 77% say they offer homework assistance
- 72% say they offer reading or writing opportunities
- 69% say they offer opportunities to learn science, technology, engineering, and math

Afterschool provides the building blocks kids need to **succeed in life and school.**

Students who regularly participate in quality afterschool programs...



DEVELOP STRONG SOCIAL SKILLS

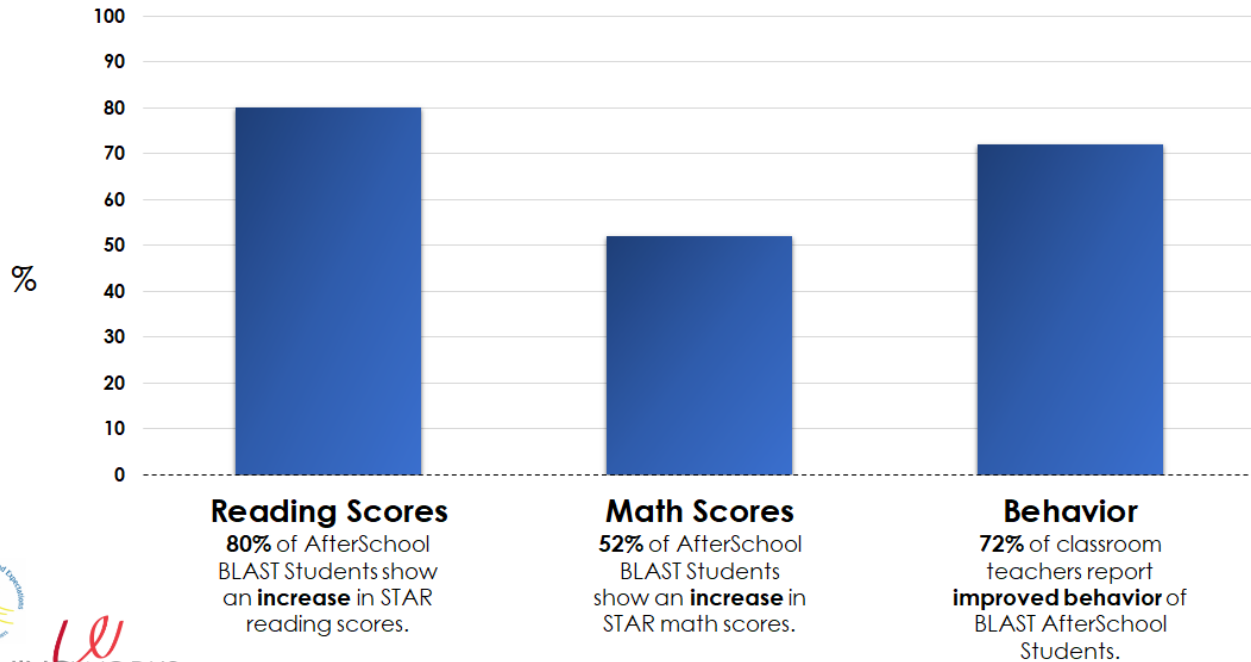
ARE EXCITED ABOUT LEARNING

Demand for afterschool is growing. 19.4 million kids are left out.

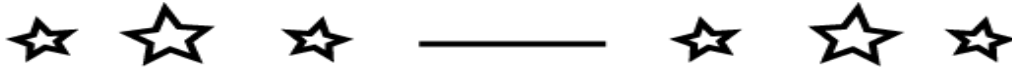


MAKE GAINS IN READING & MATH

BLAST Afterschool Program Student Outcomes Fall 2017 to Spring 2018



WHY AFTERSCHOOL?




Transportation: Transportation is available year-round on district school buses. Transportation home during the school year, and transportation to and from during the summer.

 **Breakfast/Lunch & Snack:** Breakfast and lunch is provided daily throughout the summer through the district's Summer Food program. A daily snack is provided each day during the school year.

 **Enrichment Opportunities:** Twice a week, students have club days where they choose activities that most interest them including: Health and Wellness, Arts and Cultural Enrichment, Multi-Cultural Education.

STEM Curriculum: Our STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) focused curriculum follows the Boston Museum of Science: Engineering Adventures. Engineering Adventures is a curricular program that introduces children to the engineering design process and various fields of engineering. There are many reasons to introduce children to engineering:

- Engineering projects reinforce topics children are learning in school.
- Engineering fosters problem-solving skills.
- Children are fascinated with building and with taking things apart to see how they work.
- Engineering and technological literacy are necessary for the 21st century.

 **Homework + LearningWorks:** LearningWorks provides tutoring services with the Barbara Bush Teen Trendsetters program and the UNE Math Mentor program. We also allow students to complete homework during choice time at the beginning of the program day.

PROGRAM OFFERINGS

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The **first day of BLAST** is on Monday, September 17th.

The **last day of BLAST** is on Thursday, May 30th, pending snow days.

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There will be **no programming** on

- Fridays
- Early Releases
- Closings
- Holidays

May 2019						
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These days are indicated with gray shading.