

Spring 2020 Training Calendar

Dallas Afterschool (DAS) trainings are free to Program Partners currently enrolled in the Program Quality Initiative. Non-partners are charged \$40 per training. Call 214.306.8400 for questions or registration.



JANUARY

Kickoff Learning Series

Tuesday 1/7, 8:30am–12:30pm | 3900 Willow St. #110, Dallas, TX 75226

Wednesday 1/8, 8:30am–12:30pm | 3900 Willow St. #110, Dallas, TX 75226

Presenting Organization: Dallas Afterschool

Intended Audience: New & Frontline Staff

Kick off the Spring semester with the tools for implementing best quality practices in afterschool. These six modules provide vital information on how to manage classroom behavior, identify students' ages and stages, implement age-appropriate activities, practice activity transitions, apply Social Emotional Learning (SEL) practices and establish basic safety procedures.

Teen Development: "Did You Want Me to Pay Attention to What You Said?"

Friday 1/17, 10:00am–12:00pm | 3900 Willow St. #110, Dallas, TX 75226

Presenting Organization: Joann Schauf, Your Tween & You

Intended Audience: All

Join counselor, educator, and parent of four Joann Schauf, in this fun and experiential learning environment. Gain the 'how-tos' to successfully connect with middle schoolers, understand their development, and collaborate together. JoAnn received a Top Entrepreneur Award in Dallas in 2017, is a member of the Texas Counseling Association, contributes to local media, and stays in contact with her readers with a bi-monthly newsletter *The Tween Times*.

Supporting LGBTQ Youth

Tuesday 1/21, 10:00am–12:00pm | 3900 Willow St. #110, Dallas, TX 75226

Presenting Organization: Ileana Cruz, Ntarupt

Intended Audience: All

According to the Human Rights Campaign, 42% of LGBTQ Youth say the community in which they live is not accepting of LGBTQ people. Join Ntarupt to learn what challenges our LGBTQ youth are facing, and how, as afterschool educators, we can create supportive and inclusive environments within our programs.

Eat Your Veggies! Teaching Nutrition

Tuesday 1/28, 10:00am–12:00pm | 3900 Willow St. #110, Dallas, TX 75226

Presenting Organization: Chelsea McCall, Common Threads

Intended Audience: All

Afterschool is the perfect place to engage your students in nutrition education. Join the team from Common Threads to learn best practices for teaching nutrition in the afterschool environment. New to the DFW area, Common Threads wants to equip you with tools and information to support your students in making nutritious choices.

AQuA Assessments

Friday 1/31, 10:00am–12:00pm | 3900 Willow St. #110, Dallas, TX 75226

Presenting Organization: Dallas Afterschool

Intended Audience: All

Put your program's best foot forward heading into the spring assessment season! This training will review our AQuA tool, safety checklist, the assessment process, and prepare you and your staff for a successful assessment experience. Take advantage of this opportunity to brainstorm and practice responses to the interview portion of the assessment. Be sure to get any questions you may have about assessments by Dallas Afterschool answered as you get ready to showcase all the great work of your program!

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Trauma Informed Practices

Tuesday 2/4, 10:00am–12:00pm | 3900 Willow St. #110, Dallas, TX 75226

Presenting Organization: Dallas Afterschool

Intended Audience: All

Did you know, one out of every four children attending school has been exposed to a traumatic event that can affect learning and/or behavior? [NTSN Trauma Toolkit for Educators] Bullying, physical and/or sexual abuse, abandonment, neglect, witnessing or experiencing domestic violence or community violence (i.e. shootings, stabbings, robbery, fighting at home), family member incarceration, living in a chaotic environment and consistent lack of financial resources are just a few of the things that can cause traumatic stress. Learn how to identify and recognize the symptoms of trauma in your students and become prepared to respond to those who have been impacted. Show you care by being aware!

Project-Based Learning

Friday 2/7, 10:00am–12:00pm | 3900 Willow St. #110, Dallas, TX 75226

Presenting Organization: Dallas Afterschool

Intended Audience: All

Explore the ins and outs of Project-Based Learning by engaging in the definition, the standards for teachers as well as for students, and the ways that Project-Based Learning links to real world problems. Dive into hands-on learning activities that will enhance learning and develop knowledge in best practices. Gain the confidence and knowledge to implement Project-Based Learning in the after-school space.

Assessing your Student Literacy Needs

Tuesday 2/11, 10:00am–12:00pm | 3900 Willow St. #110, Dallas, TX 75226

Presenting Organization: SMU's Simmons School of Education & Human Development

Intended Audience: All

Most of us are trying to increase the literacy of our students. But how do we know what those needs are or if we are meeting them? Join Dr. Miriam Ortiz to discuss brief, efficient, and inexpensive assessments that will help you identify the literacy needs of your students. This session will put your assessment fears at ease and provide you with practical ways to tell the story of what your students are learning.

Racial Equity in Afterschool

Tuesday 2/18, 10:00am–12:00pm | 3900 Willow St. #110, Dallas, TX 75226

Presenting Organization: Cazeena Hunter

Intended Audience: All

Our students are not immune to hate or bias and neither are our afterschool programs. Cazeena Hunter, a racial equity coach for Dallas Truth, Racial Healing & Transformation, will address how you can create inclusive environments for all of your students, and best practices for talking with students about racial equity.

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SEL Basics

Friday 2/21, 10:00am–12:00pm | 3900 Willow St. #110, Dallas, TX 75226

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Intended Audience: All

What is SEL? It might be a buzzword but what does it really mean? Get ready to explore the world of SEL in this interactive training focused on best practices and practical programming application. Take a deep dive into the neuroscience of brain development and learn how to tame your brain in the process! At the end of this course, participants will be able to implement high-return SEL practices in their programming in order to educate the whole child.

Mental Health First Aid (Full Day Training)

Friday 2/28, 8:00am–4:30pm | 3900 Willow St. #110, Dallas, TX 75226

Presenting Organization: Amy Sanders, National Council for Behavioral Health

Intended Audience: All

Just as CPR helps you assist an individual having a heart attack, Mental Health First Aid helps you assist someone experiencing a mental health or substance use-related crisis. In the Mental Health First Aid course, you learn risk factors and warning signs for mental health and addiction concerns, strategies for how to help someone in both crisis and non-crisis situations, and where to turn for help.

MARCH

Transitions

Tuesday 3/3, 10:00am–12:00pm | 3900 Willow St. #110, Dallas, TX 75226

Presenting Organization: Dallas Afterschool

Intended Audience: All

SpongeBob...SquarePants! Attention getters and transitions are needed to gain students' attention and switch focus from one activity to another. Through interactive games and discussions, this training will provide staff with transition games and practices that can be implemented in the program and classroom.

DAS Vendor Fair

Friday 3/6, 11:00am–1:00pm | J. Erik Jonsson Central Library, 1515 Young St., Dallas, TX 75201

Join us for an exciting and interactive exhibition of local educational vendors that want to work with you! Pick up free goodies, enter to win raffles, and get helpful programmatic resources!

Children's Dyslexia 101

Tuesday 3/10, 10:00am–12:00pm | 3900 Willow St. #110, Dallas, TX 75226

Presenting Organization: Tricia Quisenberry, Luke Waites Center for Dyslexia, Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children

Intended Audience: All

Dyslexia is a learning disorder that affects approximately 10 percent of children, and most likely at least one of your students. Luckily Dallas is home to one of the nation's top children's dyslexia centers. In this interactive session, learn the characteristics of dyslexia, the regulations to be aware of, what resources are available, and how you can support your families in advocating for their children.

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Literacy Instruction with ELLs

Tuesday 3/31, 10:00am–12:00pm | 3900 Willow St. #110, Dallas, TX 75226

Presenting Organization: Dr. Miriam Ortiz, SMU's Simmons School of Education & Human Development

Intended Audience: All

42% of DISD students are enrolled in the district's Bilingual/ESL program. Therefore, it is impossible to talk about improving student literacy without discussing linguistic diversity. But what does the research tell us? Are our current approaches working, or do we need to adjust our practices based on language? Learn the best strategies for literacy instruction specifically for English Language Learners in this interactive and evidence-based session.

APRIL

Wowing With Wonder Kits!

Tuesday 4/7, 10:00am–12:00pm | 3900 Willow St. #110, Dallas, TX 75226

Presenting Organization: Dallas Afterschool

Intended Audience: All

Yikes! Your students are arriving in 15 minutes and you forgot to pick up supplies! Never fear-- Wonder Kits are here! Utilizing Wonder Kits with your students ensures that you have the supplies you need, a quality lesson plan, and a hands-on activity for your students! Participate in this highly interactive session to learn the best strategies for successfully implementing your next Wonder Kit!

Virtual Reality in Summer

Tuesday 4/14, 10:00am–12:00pm | 3900 Willow St. #110, Dallas, TX 75226

Presenting Organization: Dallas Afterschool

Intended Audience: All

Summer is just around the corner and we know that you need interactive and educational activities to engage your students all summer long. The resource team at Dallas Afterschool has you covered! Through this interactive session, get hands-on experience with our virtual reality kits and learn how you can incorporate this amazing technology into your summer lesson plans!

Fundraising 101

Tuesday 4/21, 10:00am–12:00pm | 3900 Willow St. #110, Dallas, TX 75226

Presenting Organization: Sarah Elliot, VP of Development, Dallas Afterschool

Intended Audience: All

You wouldn't be where you are without it. Non-profit organizations rely on fundraising to pay their staff, facilitate their programs, and achieve their missions. As such, it is important to know the basics so you can see the bigger picture. Join Dallas Afterschool's Vice President for Development in a hands-on session about learning the basics of fundraising.

IMPORTANT NOTE: A reminder email will be sent to all registered participants the week prior to the training. If you or your staff need to change or cancel a training registration, please notify your Quality Advisor within two business days of the training. More than FIVE no-shows per organization will result in your organization no longer being able to register for Dallas Afterschool trainings.