

Dear Program Provider,

Welcome to the After School Matters Program Providers Newsletter!



Program Updates & Reminders

PACR Signature: July 1, 2018 by 11:59pm

In order for teens to receive the first stipend, a parent or guardian must sign the Program Acknowledgement, Consent, and Release Form (PACR) by **Sunday, July 1, 2018**. To e-sign the PACR, have the parent/guardian search their email inbox for **Parent PACR** and open the email with the subject line: ***After School Matters Application Submitted***. A link to sign their teen's unique PACR will be included in that email.

ALL TEENS in an apprenticeship program—whether returning to After School Matters or new to programs—must sign a PACR form to participate and be eligible to receive a stipend. This is true for returning teens who already have a PACR on file. To streamline the process, the PACR was a required part of the application process for teens and completed at the time of submission. Parents are encouraged to sign the PACR electronically, but a signed paper copy submitted to program instructors is acceptable. The teen checklist will outline if the parent/guardian signature for the PACR is missing.

Teen Pay and Stipends Page

The Teen Pay and Stipend page is a new way for your teen to see if they're on track to get paid for the current program session. For more information about this resource, click [here](#).

Instructional Strategy of the Month

Great First Day Checklist

Use this handy checklist to make sure you have everything you need for a Great First Day! From reminding teens and parents about program start, to starting the day right with community building and norm setting, to filling empty spaces right away, program start can be a lot of moving pieces. Print and post [this tool](#) to make sure you have your first day on track!

If you want to discuss this tool or additional facilitation and instruction strategies, contact Emily Nott, Manager of Professional Development at emily.nott@afterschoolmatters.org or 312-702-8591.

Safety Tip of the Month

Securing Teen Information and Documents

Collect and securely store individual teen documents, such as the signed PACR form, as soon as programs begin. Submit teen documents and attendance sheets to ASM at the end of the program session (or school year, depending on your program). You should not make or keep copies of a teen's social security card.

Important Dates & Deadlines

Tuesday, May 29, 2018

Summer 2018 enrollment deadline

Monday, June 25, 2018

Summer 2018 programs begin

Saturday, August 4, 2018

Summer 2018 programs end
(Apprenticeships)

Saturday, August 11, 2018

Summer 2018 programs end (Adv.
Apprenticeships)





Junior Achievement Career Readiness Workshop

Do you have a program running this summer? If so, we'd love for you to join us! After School Matters and Junior Achievement are hosting a workshop on Friday, June 29 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Robert Morris University. The workshop will include three sessions on financial literacy, entrepreneurship and career readiness and end with a tour of Robert Morris University. If your program is interested in attending please email or call Volunteer Coordinator, Emily Walters at emily.walters@afterschoolmatters.org, (312) 768-5200.

Check out more [instructor resources](https://www.afterschoolmatters.org) at [afterschoolmatters.org](https://www.afterschoolmatters.org).

Program Provider Highlight

Michael Langford

**ASM Newsroom @ Urban Prep Academy -
Englewood**



Michael Langford has been the instructor for ASM Newsroom at Urban Prep Academy – Englewood since summer 2016. This spring, Michael incorporated the Discover financial literacy curriculum into his program and went the extra mile to dissect the content, allowing him to present it in creative ways for his teens to understand. Not only were his teens able to learn about fiscal responsibility, but they also strengthened their presentation skills. By the end of the program session, Michael made sure teens put their skills into action by presenting the Discover financial content to 200 of their peers at the Lutz Center for After School Matters. Michael’s passion for making sure his teens have the best opportunities to shine shows throughout each program session.

Thank you Michael, for all you do for After School Matters!

Tech Tip of the Month

We’re excited to share the After School Matters Money Management app created in partnership with Fifth Third Bank and After School Matters alum, Keith Gordon. Encourage teens to download the app this summer to track, manage and budget their stipend or payments. Just ask your teens to follow these simple steps:

1. **Go to your app store, search After School Matters Money Management app**
2. **Download the app**
3. **Open and start saving, budgeting and tracking. It’s that simple!**



Opportunities & Resources for Teens & Alumni

Teen Stipend Reminders



Learn more about the **Bottom Line College Access Program** [here](#).

Click here for information on the **Teen Arts Pass**, a new initiative that gives teens access to \$5 professional performance shows.

The Junior Academy is a network of STEM experts, students and companies that work to design innovative solutions to global challenges. Click [here](#) to learn more.

The Anti-Defamation League is accepting submissions for the **2018 Our First Amendment Freedoms Art & Essay Contest**. Click [here](#) for more details.

After School Matters Alumni looking for summer or part time work are encouraged to [contact Samantha Deane](#), Teen Career Services and Alumni Relations Specialist.

Check out more [teen opportunities](#) at afterschoolmatters.org.

Wintrust Bank

Teens are able to cash their stipend checks for free at any Chicagoland Wintrust Bank!

Teens can find the nearest Wintrust Bank location [here](#).

Urban Partnership Bank

Teens are able to cash their stipend checks for just \$1 at any Chicagoland Urban Partnership Bank!

Teens can find the nearest Urban Partnership Bank location [here](#).

School IDs, State IDs and Driver's Licenses will be accepted as forms of identification for cashing checks at both banks.

Contact Us!

You can reach the **Teen Stipend Hotline** at **312-768-5199** or [email us](#).

Comuníquese Con Nosotros

Para mas información en español, llámenos al **312-846-7106** o mándenos un correo electrónico a espanol@afterschoolmatters.org.

Support Services Directory

If a young person needs additional resources, you can use the **Support Services Directory**

Thank you for showing teens they matter.

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