



APPROVED AFTERSCHOOL-SPECIFIC NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

In order to enhance the skills and knowledge needed to manage and sustain a quality program, lead staff should attend a national afterschool-specific training each year of the grant award. After the training, lead staff should host a professional development learning opportunity with staff to share what was learned. Staff trainings should focus on how afterschool is different from the normal school day, ways to increase program effectiveness, as well as provide staff with innovative ideas for enrichment and hands-on activities.

Below is a list of approved afterschool-specific national and regional conferences opportunities for Oklahoma 21st Century Community Learning Centers. Please follow the links for more information on each event to assist with your professional development planning for the year.

BEYOND SCHOOL HOURS

- Foundations, Inc.
 - Usually around February
 - Different locations each year
- <http://www.foundationsinc.org/>

NAA ANNUAL CONVENTION

- National Afterschool Association
 - Usually around March
 - Different locations each year
- <http://www.naaweb.org/convention>

FORUM NATIONAL CONFERENCE

- The Forum for Youth Investment
 - Usually in May
 - Different locations each year
- <https://forumfyi.org/>

NATIONAL COMMUNITY SCHOOLS AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT CONFERENCE (CSxFE)

- FCE Network (The National Family and Community Engagement Network)
 - Usually around June
 - Different locations each year
- <https://iel.org/>

NITA M. LOWEY, 21st CCLC SUMMER SYMPOSIUM

- U.S. Department of Education
 - Usually around July
 - Different locations each year
- <https://21stcclc.leedmci.com/>

NSLA NATIONAL CONFERENCE

- National Summer Learning Association
 - Usually around October
 - Location varies
- <http://www.summerlearning.org/>

NATIONAL FAMILY ENGAGEMENT SUMMIT

- Successful Innovations and NAFSCE
 - Usually around October
 - Different locations each year
- <https://nfesummit.com/>

