Why Choose OAN?

EXCLUSIVE RESOURCES AND EXPERTISE... For over fifteen years, the Ohio Afterschool Network has been advocating to help Afterschool and Summer Learning programs become more accessible and sustainable, and to achieve higher quality. As the National Afterschool Association Affiliate and the Ohio chapter of the Charles Stewart Mott 50 State Statewide Network, OAN utilizes our partnerships with national organizations to provide resources at the state and local level like no other organization.

CORE VALUES DRIVE US... OAN’s values frame our partnerships and our work. Most important among them is our shared belief that kids are awesome and deserve to reach their full potential as they define it. Behind every successful kid are caring adults who teach, guide, coach, and mentor. Our job at OAN is to help those adults be the best professionals they can be, and a big part of that support is access to affordable, evidenced based, high quality professional development and technical assistance.

OUR PARTNERSHIPS ELEVATE YOUR LEARNING... OAN works with partners who have experience successfully coaching a variety of clients. Two of our premier partners are EnvisionEdPlus and McWatters Consulting. Together we are the Afterschool Professionals Learning Community (APLC).

We are committed to serve all Ohio Afterschool and Summer Learning programs, no matter where you are, who you serve, or how you operate your program!

How Does It Work?

For organizations seeking technical assistance or professional development, you contact OAN and set up a no-cost scope-of-work call. After assessing your individual or organizational goals, OAN will work with our team to custom design the technical assistance or professional development services that best fit your needs. Call OAN at 1-833-626-6446.
Technical Assistance Services

The Ohio Afterschool Network (OAN) is dedicated to providing quality improvement assistance to Afterschool and Summer Learning programs throughout Ohio by providing a provision of targeted and customized support. Our team strives to empower program staff by connecting via phone calls, face-to-face meetings, or webinar-style presentations. OAN can help guide you, your staff or your organization from beginning to end on many topics.

Areas of expertise include:
- Community and Parent Engagement
- Program Development
- Staff Development
- Program Evaluation using the QSAT
- Program Sustainability
- Program Quality

Technical Assistance Fees and Pricing

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Coaching Services and Professional Development

Let the Ohio Afterschool Network provide customized administrative or staff coaching, your next staff training or professional development day. Need Ohio Approved courses? We’ve got ‘em. Need CEUs? We’ve got ‘em. Need one hour, one day, one week or one year of PD? We’ve got that, too. And if you don’t see it, ask! We can always design something just for you.

**Titles and Descriptions for Professional Development Training and Coaching:**

**trainings on ADVOCACY**

*How To Take A Moment and Make it Into A Movement*: High-quality youth development programs result in amazing outcomes, but it’s up to us as advocates and professionals to showcase those achievements for decision makers who create policy and regulations. In this session we will explore how to identify and engage stakeholders and how to utilize free resources to develop an event to help you tell the story of the amazing benefits of your program.

*Strengthening the Connection Between Afterschool Programs and School District Relationship: The Why, How and What of Connecting*: Take a deep dive into the challenges afterschool programs face in connecting and coordinating with school staff. Learn how to build bridges to provide better coordinated efforts for the students you serve and how to use the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) to open conversations with school administrators.

*Shifting the Professional Development Focus from Compliance to Best Practice*: Are you approaching your professional development as a best practice or as an afterthought? Have you seen real change in your program and practices as a result of PD, or are the resources forgotten? Are you thinking and talking about professional development that way teachers and school districts are thinking and talking about it? This session will lay the foundation for what you need to know about the criteria identified for school districts for best practice in professional learning - criteria that the field of Afterschool and Summer Learning can model and learn from! You’ll learn why this shift is necessary to have meaningful conversations about PD with teachers and school administrators and how you can begin to up your personal PD game. You’ll also get resources to help and learn how our collaborative partnership plans to approach this change to professional development for Afterschool.
trainings on **SUSTAINABILITY**

**Actors and Factors: The Sustainability Game:** How about a new twist on sustainability? In this game-like interactive session participants will role play various community players in a competition to establish sustainability for their Afterschool program. Along the way, players practice active listening, effective communication, and advocacy skills as effective strategies to build partnerships and program sustainability. Come prepared to have fun and win some prizes! OA

**OAN Keep The Lights On Sustainability Training For Directors and Coordinators:** Developed in partnership with the Ohio Department of Education, this toolkit will walk you step-by-step through the sustainability process, from assessing your needs to planning for next steps. Join OAN in this workshop to learn how your organization can use this tool for planning for long-term program sustainability. OA

**Sustainability Design Lab:** This intensive workshop is designed for your sustainability team - composed of high-level decision makers in your community who are committed to supporting and sustaining your Afterschool and Summer Learning programs. OAN trainers will walk your team through several strategic planning steps and provide guidance to help you to arrive at specific and actionable steps to take toward the development of long-term sustainability for your program. This lab can be half or full day and can include ongoing technical assistance.

trainings on **SCHOOL ENGAGEMENT**

**Aligning Your Afterschool Program to the School Day to Support School Improvement and Success:** Attend this engaging and interactive professional development session to explore ways you can align your afterschool program to the school day so that your program becomes a valuable resource in supporting school improvement and student success. Participants will become familiar with the variety of approaches afterschool programs can use to boost student achievement, as well as develop a deep understanding of the development and operation of high-quality activities that support student learning. PDPLUS READY! OA

trainings on **(STEM and STEAM) SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING (Arts) and MATH**

**Rockets Rock!** Learn how to make STEM come to life for your students through our Rockets Rock! Afterschool professionals will learn to confidently and effectively implement the NASA Out of School Learning Network (NOSL) curriculum modules. Participants have the opportunity to receive 3 hours in person professional development followed up with 2 hours online. Afterschool professionals will receive guidance and support as they implement the curriculum with their students. PDPLUS READY! OA
**Aeronautics:** Learn how to make STEM come to life for your students through Aeronautics! Afterschool professionals will learn to confidently and effectively implement NASA Out of School Learning Network (NOSL) curriculum modules. Participants have the opportunity to receive 3 hours in person professional development followed up with 2 hours online. Afterschool professionals will receive guidance and support as they implement the curriculum with their students. **PDPLUS READY! OA**

**The Power of Inventing and Making in OST Learning:** We all learn best when we do. Learn how Inventionland Institute’s Nine Step Inventing Method has inspired 30 years of famous and not so famous inventions. Participants will engage in STEM/STEAM challenges that can be used right away in your programs to a) inspire student interest in inventing and making; b) make clear connections to college and career readiness; and c) build 21st century skills in all learners. Be ready for a fast and furious explosion of learning and fun. **OA**

**STEM/STEAM Resource-A-Palooza:** There are thousands of STEM and STEAM resources available these days. How does one go about choosing high-quality programs and materials that meet their students’ needs? EnvisionEdPlus and Ohio STEM Learning Network are partnering to share dozens of vetted resources, curricula, and program ideas that are either made specifically for out-of-school learning or easily adaptable for this setting. Whether you serve little ones, middle ones, or big ones, there will be great ideas for you. **OA**

**Trainings on PARENT AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

**Tug of War: Dealing with Power Struggles:** Whether it is an all-out battle of the wills, or button-pushing, or manipulation, “Tug of War” will explore the battles parents and kids often engage in. We will look at ways of disengaging without creating more problems. Through this interactive workshop, participants will learn how to identify power sources, discover ways of disengaging, and develop discipline authority.

**Parent Path:** The training during this workshop focuses on how teachers and schools can be more effective in their interactions with parents. New skills will help them engage and encourage parent participation. Whenever parents are brought into the school, kids do better. This training opportunity will give you a chance to develop strategies for creating a path parents can take into your school.

**Building a Meaningful Parent Involvement Program:** Involving parents, family members, and guardians in children’s school lives is critical to their success in school. The content in this course is designed to outline ways for you to connect with families and focus you on how to create an environment where families feel welcome, how you effectively communicate with families, how you involve families in the program and how you establish a strong relationship with families so that you improve the quality of experiences for your students. **PDPLUS READY! OA**
Common Sense Ideas for Creating Community Partnerships: Do you know how to foster a long-term relationship with your community and implement successful community involvement in your programs? The content in this course focuses on ways that you can collaborate with community organizations to increase student success, maximize financial, human and other resources and build community goodwill. You will have the chance to assess the strengths of your community relationships, and plan ways to prepare, build, and maintain stronger and more effective partnerships. **PDPLUS READY: OA**

**Trainings on TEACHING LITERACY SKILLS**

Process Drama and Literature for Afterschool Programs: Have you always wanted to combine process drama with picture books to create experiential learning for students? In this session, learn about elements of process drama and how you can use process drama to make great literature come to life. This session is geared toward afterschool students in grades 2-5.

Motivating Kids Who Hate to Read: A creative, cross-curricular approach to teaching literacy: It can be difficult to motivate a child who doesn’t love to read but it doesn’t have to be. The content in this course is designed to give practical strategies for designing effective and engaging literacy lessons that will motivate students to love reading and learning. You will learn how to create innovative, cross-curricular lessons that effectively engage students in learning. **PDPLUS READY: OA**

**Trainings on HEATHY EATING and PHYSICAL ACTIVITY (HEPA)**

Do I HAVE to Play? Helping Youth Enjoy Physical Activity: How do you help a youth go from, “Do I HAVE to play?” to, "Hooray!”? Youth programs are uniquely poised to engage kids in PA in ways that school and home aren’t able to. And with Ohio’s obesity rate on the rise, youth programs can be a key to helping engage that disenfranchised child. In this workshop we will review the health, social-emotional, and academic impacts of physical activity, discover strategies to engage resistant youth, and learn about free resources to help strengthen physical activity in your youth program. **OA**

OAN Physical Activity Guidelines: The OAN Physical Activity guidelines were developed by a team of experts to help encourage best practices in Afterschool and Summer Learning programs. Learn how to effectively use this tool to help form policy, affect both youth and staff behavior, and implement best practice in your gym and playground time.

**Trainings on CLIMATE, SEL, MENTAL HEALTH and TRAUMA**

Trauma Brain: Students show up everyday in the midst of crisis, and their behavior often shows it. Participants will learn what is going on inside the brain when trauma is affecting it. More importantly, this session is filled with LOTS of practical ways of helping a student settle.
Boy/Girl Thinking: Each person is unique, and each person has different filters when it comes to learning. Participants will learn how to identify the types of filters students use in the learning process. They will also learn how to reach the different filters so that they can teach even more effectively to each and every student.

“Do”-able Discipline--From A to Z: Participants are asked to bring in their own real discipline problems, and throughout the day we will explore ways of creating a discipline system that works! This workshop is driven completely by the needs/problems presented by the participants. No theory here—just practical, proven “stuff”.  **PDPLUS READY!**

Meant To Mentor: Unleash the power of mentoring for your school. This training takes you through the “how-tos” of creating a mentoring system (designed for use with staff to students, staff to staff, or students to students).

Climate Matters: Practical Strategies to Create Healthy/Engaging Learning Environments. Search Institute’s Developmental Relationships framework identifies 5 elements that make relationships powerful in young people’s lives. This session will be jam packed with activities and strategies any out-of-school-time program can use to build adult capacity to express care, challenge growth, provide support, share power, and expand the possibilities of the young people you serve. **OA**

**trainings on ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

Teaching the Entrepreneurial Mindset: Developing entrepreneurial skills is more than just starting a business. It is an approach to learning that provides youth with opportunities to explore, create, and discover their potential - in the classroom, in your Afterschool program, and beyond! This workshop will help you understand what kids will gain from entrepreneurship education and what skills you need as an afterschool professional to effectively implement curriculum. Entrepreneurial education is fun and engaging, simple to do with our tool kit, and adds “sizzle” to your Afterschool program. You’ll love it, your kids will love it, and your boss will love you for doing it! **OA**

**OA** = Workshops marked with OA are Ohio Approved for Step-Up-To-Quality credit hours.

**PDPLUS READY!** = Workshops tagged with **PDPLUS READY!** are part of the Afterschool Professionals Learning Community’s blended learning model. This combines the best of face-to-face learning from experts in your field with the exclusive EnvisionEdPlus digital learning system to personalize the PD for every learner. These courses are offered 3 in-classroom hours PLUS between 2 and 12 additional online coursework hours. Most of these workshops are Ohio Approved. For more information on PDPplus modules, visit the OAN website or call OAN.
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Because of our national and statewide connections in this field, OAN partners with a wide variety of experts, enabling us to provide a great service for your organization. This is a listing of what we most frequently do, but if you don’t see what you are looking for, ask! Chances are we have what you need, ready to customize for your application!