



Clevelanders for Afterschool Save Cleveland's Afterschool Programs!

Without new sources of revenue, CMSD's unencumbered cash balance will be **-\$18.3 million** by the end of the 2024-25 school year. **As such, funding for the district's 93 afterschool programs may be threatened.**

Clevelanders for Afterschool is a coalition of families, teachers, and community organizations that recognize the importance of CMSD afterschool programs in providing safety, academic support, life skills, and in building community for Cleveland students and their families.

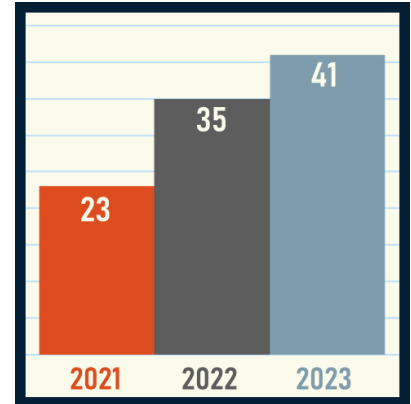
"Everyone deserves to feel safe in our neighborhoods, at school or at the grocery store. The Bibb Administration is committed to... address[ing] gun violence and prevent[ing] violent crime by... **Invest[ing] in education and after-school programs to keep children and young people engaged.**"

- Mayor Justin Bibb's Violence Prevention Strategy

SAFETY

64% of violent crimes committed by juveniles occur on school days

1/3 of school day violent youth crimes occur between **3 PM and 7 PM**



► CMSD Afterschool programs reduce youth risky behaviors by providing safe and healthy environments where students can improve their academic abilities and gain confidence during critical safety hours

+94%

The number of stolen cars in Cleveland rose 94% from Aug. 2022 to Aug. 2023, **with most thefts carried out by teenagers**

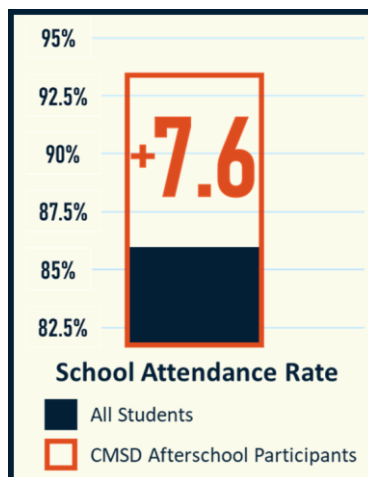
↑ The number of Cuyahoga County youth charged with homicide has **nearly doubled since 2021**

Sources available on our website

A SAMPLE OF STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATED IN CMSD AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS FOUND:



scored an average of **7.7 percentage points higher on English/Language Arts State Tests** compared to all students at their schools



← have a **school attendance rate of 7.6 percentage points higher** compared to all students at their schools



scored an average of **4.2 percentage points higher on Math State Tests** compared to all students at their schools

If CMSD Afterschool Programs are not supported, schools will lose crucial programming - leaving thousands of students on the streets during critical safety hours. In addition, students & families will lose programming that supports parent workforce participation, produces positive student academic and behavioral outcomes, and strengthens our neighborhoods.

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