

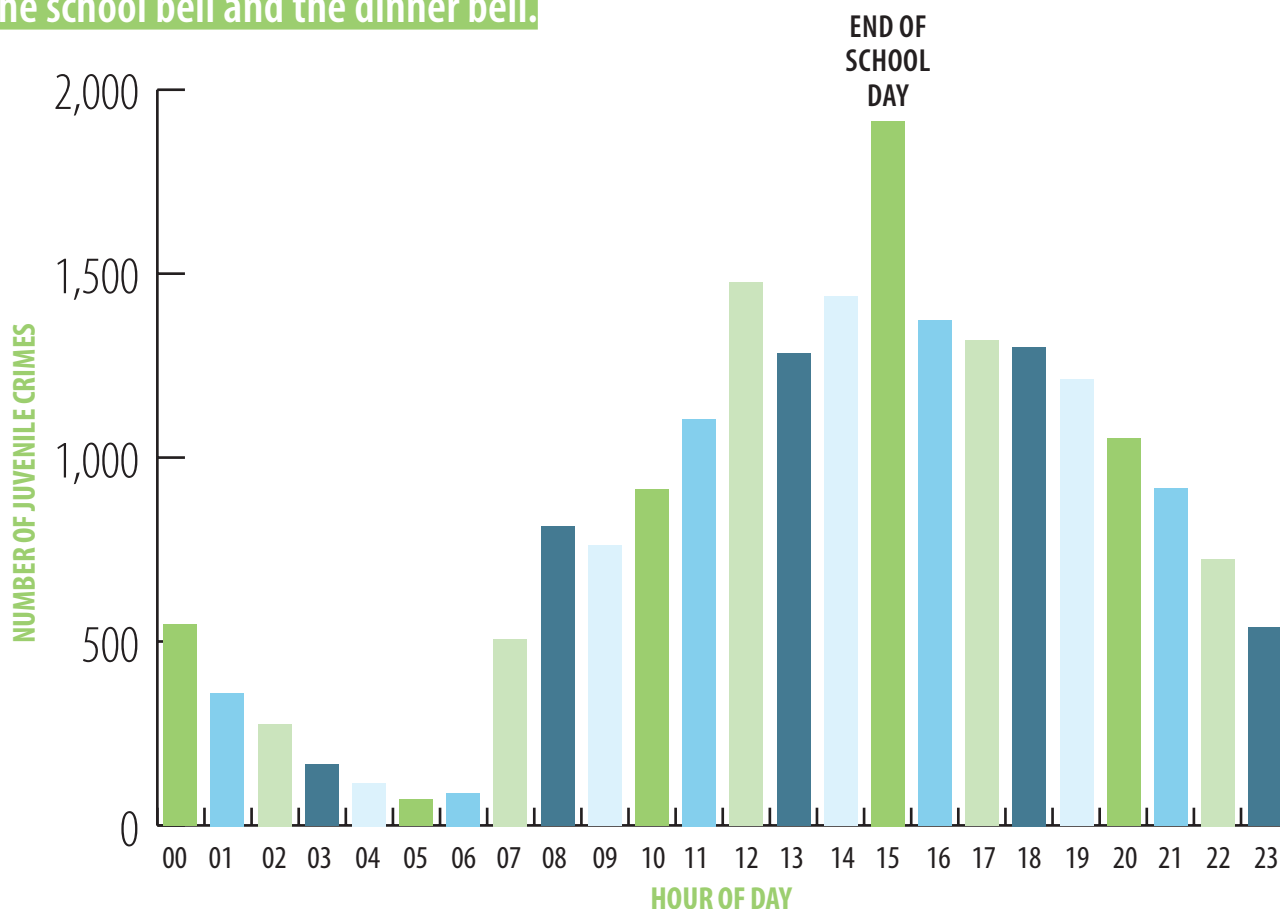


Afterschool keeps kids safe

America's students face many obstacles that can potentially derail their journey to a healthy, rewarding and productive life. Thankfully, afterschool programs across the country are helping students make the right decisions by inspiring learning, providing safe and supportive environments, and giving students the essential supports they need to succeed in school and beyond.



Youth crime in Nebraska peaks between the school bell and the dinner bell.

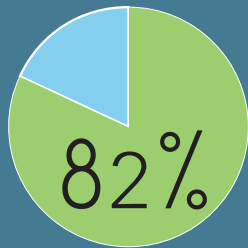


Juvenile crime and victimization peaks in the hours after school, **YET 1 IN 5 KIDS ARE LEFT ON THEIR OWN DURING THESE HOURS.*** Afterschool programs provide safety and supervision, while linking kids with mentors who discourage negative behaviors, such as aggression and drug and alcohol use. **For every dollar invested in afterschool programs, \$2.50 is saved in crime-related costs.***

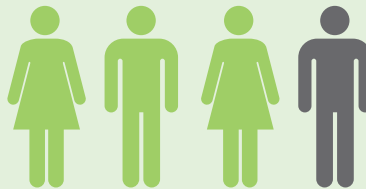
*Afterschool Alliance, Afterschool Supports Students' Success, May 2016.

Americans value Expanded Learning Opportunities

According to recent surveys...



82%
of school superintendents
from across the country agree
that afterschool programs are
important.ⁱ



Three in four voters
say afterschool programs are
“an absolute necessity” for
their community.ⁱⁱ



Researchers calculate
that every \$1 invested in
afterschool programs can
yield as much as a \$3 savings
to taxpayers.



Support for afterschool
crosses party and
ideological lines.

88% of Democrats, 84% of
Independents and 76% of
Republicans agree on the
need for an organized activity
or safe place for children and
teens after school.ⁱⁱⁱ



A U.S. Department of
Justice study shows that
each high-risk youth who is
prevented from adopting a life
of crime through participation
in afterschool programs saves
taxpayers between \$1.7 million
and \$2.3 million.^{iv}



Parents miss an
average of five days
of work per year due
to a lack of afterschool
care. Decreased worker
productivity related to
parental concerns about
afterschool care costs
businesses up to \$300
billion per year.^v