

The Summer Struggle for Nebraska Families

Affording the Opportunities Parents Want for Youth

Nebraska parents want a summer full of opportunity for their children to explore, connect, and grow. But cost puts summer programs out of reach for many.

FAMILIES WANT A SUMMER FULL OF OPPORTUNITY FOR THEIR KIDS

Outdoors and screen-free

Safe, fun, active

better together

Learning and being social

Community partners power summer programs

- Local College
- County Library
- Community Center

TOP FIVE FACTORS NEBRASKA PARENTS LOOK FOR IN SUMMER PROGRAMS:

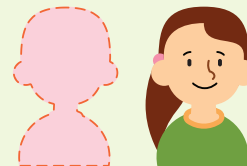
- 1 Safe environment
- 2 Opportunities to build confidence
- 3 Time for fun and educational activities; less screen time
- 4 Convenient hours
- 5 Knowledgeable and caring staff

TOO MANY NEBRASKA CHILDREN ARE MISSING OUT ON SUMMER PROGRAMS

Parents of
134,442 children
want summer programs

× 72,017
children don't have access

More than 1 in 2 Nebraska children are missing out.



Affordability is the top challenge for Nebraska families.

SUMMER PROGRAMS ARE OUT OF REACH FOR TOO MANY NEBRASKA FAMILIES DUE TO COST

30%

of parents report cost is a barrier to enrolling their child in a summer program

LOCATION, TRANSPORTATION, AVAILABILITY, AND FINDING INFORMATION ON SUMMER PROGRAMS ARE ALSO BARRIERS



18%

Issues with location or transportation



12%

Programs unavailable



11%

Information on summer programs is not easy to find

Nebraska parents give summer programs high marks and want them funded!

PARENTS WHO HAVE FOUND A SUMMER PROGRAM RATE IT HIGHLY

94%

Satisfaction



88%

of parents favor public funding for summer learning opportunities

SUPPORT IS STRONG AND BIPARTISAN



90%

Democrats



92%

Independents



88%

Republicans

What You Can Do

Learn more and see recommendations for action at aa3pm.co

About the Survey

America After 3PM is a national online survey of parents or guardians of school-aged children, with supplemental interviews conducted by telephone. Data were collected by Edge Research on behalf of the Afterschool Alliance. In Nebraska, 350 households and 580 children were screened for this study. Child-level statewide projections are based on total school enrollment numbers for the 2021-2022 school year from the U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics.

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