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Extracurricular Enrichment

Organization Name	Description	Contact	
Asian American LEAD	Asian American LEAD provides enrichment and development programs to Asian American youth through one-on-one mentoring, academic support services, life-skills development and assistance to parents with school-related issues affecting their children. It provides a nurturing environment and culturally-sensitive guidance so each child will be a contributing member of the community.	http://www.aalead.org/	202.884.0322 ext. 109
Athletes United for Social Justice	The Grassroot Project uses sports to educate youth about HIV/AIDS awareness and prevention. The Project empowers youth to lead healthy, responsible lives by teaching critical thinking, decision-making, communication and resiliency.	http://www.grassrootproject.org/	202.559.7923
BOKS, Build Our Kids' Success	BOKS provides elementary school children opportunities for physical activity, showing them the benefits of exercise and healthy choices. BOKS is designed to involve parents, school faculty and administration and community members as advocates, trainers and volunteers.	http://www.bokskids.org/	781.401.4118
Boy Scouts of America, National Capital Area Council	The Cub Scout program helps to develop character, citizenship, leadership skills and values in youth ages 7–10. The boys have fun, but with a purpose. The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.	http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org/	301.530.9360
Capital Area Food Bank	With the assistance of a volunteer Chef instructor, Capital Area Food Bank offers a Cooking Matters program that teaches hands on meal preparation, nutrition and food budgeting. Participants receive recipes and a bag of groceries each week so they can practice what they learned at home. The mission of the Food bank is to empower families at risk of hunger with the knowledge, skills, and confidence to prepare healthy, affordable meals.	http://www.capitalareafoodbank.org/	202.644.9827
Capitol Educational Support	Capitol Educational Support, Inc. (CES) is a 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization whose mission is to create community-based academic tutorial and social mentoring programs for children throughout the United States.	http://ces.reachforit.org/	202-341-6070
CentroNía	CentroNía is a multicultural learning community with a pioneering approach to bilingual education. Children build bilingual literacy skills and teens experiment in music with artists-in-residence. Studio R.O.C.K.S. (Reading, Outdoors, Creativity, Knowledge, Self-	http://www.centronia.org/	202.332.4200



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	Discovery) is a before- and afterschool program that weaves together academics, drama, music, dance, chess, fine arts, photography and technology.		
Chess Wizards Inc.	Chess Wizards offers extra-curricular enrichment programs at schools across Washington, D.C. Classes are taught by trained teachers, who inspire an enthusiasm for the game within the students. These programs are known for their success in helping children build a vast array of skills ranging from development in concentration, logical thinking and even mathematical performance.	http://www.chesswizards.com/	773.583.4508
City Arts	City Arts students participate in year-long paid apprenticeships and work on murals, mosaics and other art forms during their time in the program. In addition to gaining marketable artistic skills and career insights, students improve their organizational habits and gain self-confidence in their artistic abilities. They also learn how to make a positive contribution toward a team effort.	http://www.cityartsdc.org/	202.331.1966
City Kids Wilderness Project	City Kids Wilderness Project is an outdoor education program focused on experiential learning that joins youth and staff in a cooperative family atmosphere and utilizes the natural environment as a classroom for academic, recreational and life skills. The program emphasizes hands-on, applied learning of academics, builds critical thinking skills, teaches teamwork and enhances problem-solving abilities.	http://www.livingclassroomsdc.org/	202.488.0627
Colin Powell Leadership Club	The Colin Powell Leadership Club, which operates as a program of St. John's Episcopal Church, serves MacFarland Middle School students in grades 5–8. Mentors emphasize high expectations for academic and personal success and remind students that they have the potential to be great leaders and to make a difference in the world. Through activities and one-on-one tutoring in the classroom, students are given tools to succeed not only academically but also as leaders in their community.	http://www.stjohnsmclean.org/	703.356.4902 ext. 16
College Success Foundation	We provide a unique integrated system of supports and scholarships for underserved, low-income students to finish high school, graduate college and succeed in life.	http://dcollegesuccessfoundation.org	202-207-1800
Dance Place	Dance Place teaches students to be a vital part of their surrounding communities and the world at large by providing homework assistance, teaching math and building language skills. They also facilitate art projects that bolster creative exploration through cultural discussions and field trips, community service activities and dance.	http://www.danceplace.org/	202.269.1600
Dreams Work	Dreams Work strives to meet the needs of youth by providing them with the opportunity to gain life-building skills using the arts. They utilize their talent(s) through performances as a way to spread awareness and education about various social issues	http://www.wemakedreamswork.org/	240.593.6497



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	throughout the community.		
FihankraAkomaNtoaso (FAN)	FAN supports youth in foster care in grades 5–12 by offering academic support, group mentoring, extracurricular instruction, community service opportunities, leadership development and college and career preparation. FAN's mission is to cultivate a focus on youth well-being and positive development in an environment infused with safety, security and love.	http://www.fan-dc.org/	202.379.3080
Fishing School, The (TFS)	TFS's afterschool programming helps students achieve academic success by providing them with supplemental academic instruction (especially in math and reading), targeted tutoring, homework assistance, test preparation, life skills training and recreation and cultural enrichment. The TFS mission is to provide a safe haven, caring adults and academic support for vulnerable children and youth (ages 6–12), empowering them to open doors to limitless possibilities.	http://www.fishingschool.org/	202.399.3618
Food & Friends	The mission of Food & Friends is to foster a community caring for men, women and children living with HIV/AIDS, cancer and other life-challenging illnesses by preparing and delivering specialized meals and groceries in conjunction with nutrition counseling.	http://www.foodandfriends.org/	202-269-2277
Food for Fuel	Food for Fuel, together with International Fitness Diplomats, develops student athletes both mentally and physically by offering advice and programs about food choices. International Fitness Diplomats' nutrition programs focus on food consumption: why we eat, what we eat, how it affects the body and the economic impact. This program also offers an interactive computer program to further illustrate how the body responds to certain foods	http://www.internationalfitnessdiplomats.com/	202.332.5503
GALA Hispanic Theater	Through Spanish/English language writing workshops, the study of Latin American and Spanish playwrights and performing arts workshops, GALA promotes cultural literacy and community integration in an accessible environment, where students can experience live theater and expand their knowledge about the arts, history and issues affecting their lives and communities.	http://www.galatheatre.org/	202.234.7174
Girl Scout Council of the Nation's Capital	Girl Scout Council of the Nation's Capital (GSCNC) has established the Young Leaders Program (YLP), which connects college students from local universities with girls who attend schools within DCPS. Over the course of six weeks, girls experience the joys of Girl Scouting and learn traditions, build courage, confidence and character and make the world a better place.	http://www.gscnc.org/	202.274.3318
Girls Inc.	Girls Inc. provides an afterschool program at Howard University for middle school girls.	http://www.girlsincdc.org/	202.806.7938



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	The program includes tutoring, homework support, mentoring, computer applications, a Robotics Team and a variety of platforms that address personal growth, pre-college readiness and leadership development.		
Girls on the Run (GOTR)	GOTR uses the power of running to prepare and educate girls for a lifetime of self-esteem and healthy living. This includes empowering girls to avoid participation in at-risk activities, such as substance/alcohol use, eating disorders and the early onset of sexual activity, sedentary lifestyle, depression, suicide attempts and confrontations with the juvenile justice system.	http://www.gotrdc.org/	202.258.7876
Global Kids	Global Kids works to ensure that urban youth have the knowledge, skills, experiences and values they need to succeed in school, participate effectively in the democratic process and achieve leadership in their communities and on the global stage.	http://www.globalkids.org/	202.729.8253
Joe's Den	Joe's Den Before and Aftercare is an enrichment tutorial program for students ages 3–10. Joe's Den offers: tutoring, dance programs, yoga, golf, tennis, basic sign language and outside play. Joe's Den encourages self-esteem by developing high achievers for the future.		240.401.4057
Junior Tennis Champions Center	The Junior Tennis Program includes a range of classes for ages 4–18. The program provides a structured and fun framework for learning and fosters a lasting enjoyment for the game of tennis.	http://www.thetccp.com/	301.779.8000
Kid Power	Kid Power provides academic, artistic, nutritional and service-learning opportunities for youth in under-served neighborhoods in DC. Kid Power's mission is to empower youth to become informed and engaged advocates for change in their own lives and in their communities. Kid Power provides one hour of rigorous academics daily, after which youth engage in a variety of enrichment activities including art, dance, drama, yoga, skating, poetry, cooking/gardening and other exciting activities.	http://www.kidpowerdc.org/	202.383.4543
Language Stars	Children climb the Language Stars Learning Ladder, building valuable foreign language skills with each step up. Their full immersion programs engage, entertain and educate, entirely in the foreign language. Children learn to communicate actively in age-appropriate groups of 4–8 children. Summer programs provide increased language exposure through a variety of fun outdoor and indoor activities to reinforce the language.		703.599.3522
Latin American Youth Center (LAYC)	Students in LAYC's Educational Enhancement programs look forward to an enriching experience with emphasis on academics, leadership development and social skill	http://www.layc-dc.org/	202.319.2225



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	building. In order to ensure comprehensive support for students, LAYC offers opportunities for health and fitness programs, technology access, college preparation, personal development and parental involvement.		
Metropolitan Basketball League	The objective of the MBA is to implant the ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, courage, loyalty and reverence so that students may be finer, stronger and happier children and young adults who grow up to be good, clean and healthy citizens. These objectives are achieved by providing adult supervised competitive athletic events.		240.832.9351
Multicultural Career Intern Program, The	The Multicultural Career Intern Program provides afterschool social and academic services for over 1,300 children and youth at the Columbia Heights Education Campus. Remedial academic classes address math, reading, writing and science in both classroom settings and individual and group mentoring. MCIP also provides health and wellness classes and workshops and physical activities for all afterschool participants.	http://www.checdc.org/	202.939.7703
National Organization of Concerned Black Men	Saving Lives and Minds (SLAM) is an afterschool program that enhances the academic and social development of children by providing homework assistance, reading and math instruction, test taking skills and enrichment activities that center on improving standardized test scores, promoting higher achievement and encouraging the pursuit of higher education. Specific activities include: science and environmental experiments, dance, poetry, quilting, American Sign Language, health and nutrition, life skills, rugby and cultural enrichment excursions	http://www.cbmnational.org/	202.783.0101
Next Year Project, The (TNYP)	TNYP offers opportunities for interaction between students, parents and teachers through school and community-based events focused on reading, recreation, science and technology. The goal is to increase student/teacher interaction while having fun, demonstrating school pride and learning the value of a healthy lifestyle.	http://www.facebook.com/thenextyearproject	202.829.3571
People Animals Love (PAL)	Kids + animals + academics = achievement and excitement. PAL Afterschool Program and Summer Camp (PAL Club) starts with students' natural affinity and curiosity for animals, mixes in committed and caring teachers and operates in close collaboration with the principal. People Animals Love works with the committed staff of Stanton Elementary to use best practices in afterschool and summer programming so kids excel—and have a great time doing it.	http://www.peopleanimalslove.org/	202.966.2171
Playworks DC	Playworks offers training and full-time services for schools and youth development organizations throughout Washington DC, Maryland, and Virginia.	http://playworks.org	202-822-0097
Prodigy Student Support	Prodigy is an afterschool program that promotes social and emotional development		202.510.4192



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Services	while addressing psychological and mental health issues that present major barriers to learning. The program provides peer group counseling to advance achievement, build student expectations for future success and increase social behavior and character development. Prodigy develops youth who are empowered to embrace collective pride and individual purpose.		
Radio Rootz DC	Radio Rootz DC is a journalism training and production institute focused on producing stories that bring unheard voices to the fore. Students are taught how to create groundbreaking news critical to a vibrant democracy. It is founded on the principle that a nuanced, balanced, and diverse news media is both a human right and a public good.	http://www.peoplesproductionhouse.org/	202.250.4939
Serve DC: The Mayor's Office on Volunteerism	Serve DC's Commander Ready program is a specialized component of the DC Citizen Corps program and is designed to educate and engage children ages 5–13 in emergency preparedness training and activities.	http://www.serve.dc.gov/	202.727.7925
Sitar Arts Center	Sitar Arts Center provides arts education (visual arts, music, dance, drama and graphic arts) to students of all ages and skill-levels during afterschool hours. Sitar provides a safe-haven and a nurturing, creative environment for personal and artistic growth.	http://www.sitarartscenter.org/	202.797.2145
Soccer Tots	The SoccerTots enrichment classes develop social skills and promote physical fitness in a structured and fun way. In addition, self-esteem and team building lessons help children to be better attuned to the class room.	http://www.soccertotsdc.com/	202.550.2596
Step Afrika	Step Afrika brings the art and energy of stepping to K–12 students of all backgrounds. The program integrates the energy and appeal of stepping with English language and social studies content. It uses stepping as a tool to demonstrate the universal life skills of teamwork, discipline and commitment.	http://www.stepafrika.org/	202.399.7993 ext. 103
Student Conservation Association (SCA)	The Student Conservation Association (SCA) provides college and high school-aged members with hands-on conservation service opportunities. Students learn to be careful stewards of the environment while working to protect and restore national parks, historic landmarks and community green spaces. The SCA allows students to develop a variety of new skills and perspectives on the environment.	http://www.thesca.org/	703.524.2441
Super Leaders, Inc.	Super Leaders, Inc. is a middle and high school leadership, mentoring and drug prevention program for at-risk but talented students. The program is based on the traditional values of honesty and respect with a focus on positive peer leadership, group support and self-empowerment. Super Leaders identifies and trains a team of students in selected schools to resist the negative pressures they experience in their	http://www.super-leaders.com/	202.409.7972



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	homes, schools and neighborhood environments.		
Teatro de la Luna	By offering age-appropriate in-school Spanish language plays, Teatro de la Luna is able to support students academically, culturally and cross-culturally. The program exposes students to theater in Spanish, allows students to explore areas of cultural and ethnic heritages, provides positive Hispanic role models to students, develops cross-cultural understanding, provides students with a safe environment in which to explore self-identity and engenders a life-long interest in live theater.	http://www.teatrodelaLuna.org/	202.882.6227
Teens Count, Inc.	Teens Count works with students, parents, families and high school administrators to organize unique fashion oriented programs. Teens Count allows for the learning and exploration of fashion through fun, adventurous, educational and culturally significant activities. The program builds skill and confidence on the runway, enhances total wellness and self-esteem, stresses the importance of fitness and nutrition and develops live performance techniques	http://www.teenscount.org/	202.413.2950
Washington Youth Choir	The Washington Youth Choir is a free afterschool music education and college preparatory program for students ages 13–19. The Choir seeks to enhance the educational experience of DC-area youth with the rigorous study and performance of music and facilitate their transition out of high school.	http://www.washingtonyouthchoir.org/	202.293.7508
Women’s Collective, The	SisterAct Institute of the Women’s Collective is a Youth HIV/STD Prevention Program committed to building the skills of African American young women living in Wards 5–8. Its goal is to empower young women by enabling them to take control of their sexual health, as well as to become peer educators for their communities.	http://www.womenscollective.org/	202.483.7003
YMCA DC Youth and Government Program, The	The YMCA DC Youth & Government Program empowers high school students to become critical thinkers, responsible citizens and leaders through training in the theory and practice of public policy. Acting in roles as a mayor, city council members, committee members and the press, high school students debate and pass laws they believe can solve the District’s problems.	http://www.dcyag.org/	202.380.7632