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Here's Your Charlotte NEXT Update!

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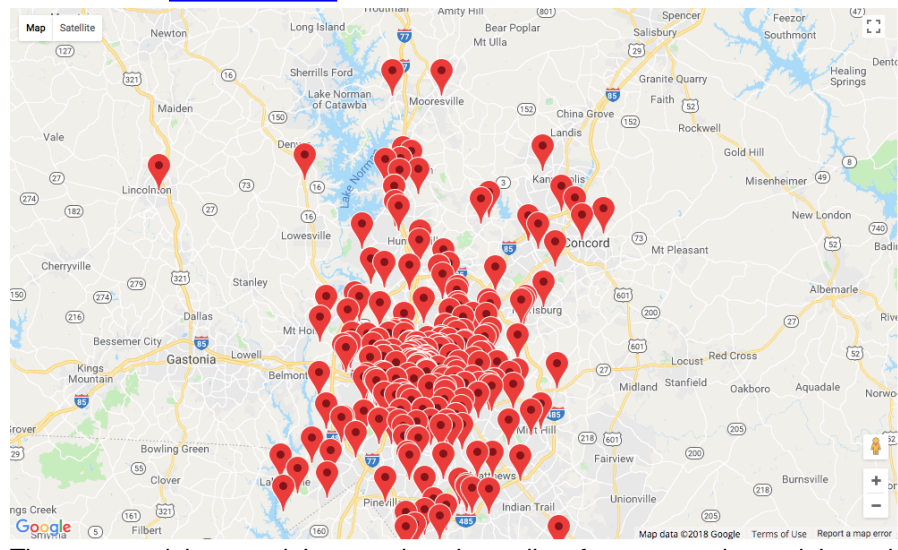


Charlotte NEXT Blast!

Introducing the new...Charlotte NEXT Blast! Here is where you will find out the latest information about Charlotte NEXT. MeckEd is dedicated to providing quality out-of-school time programs and resources through our initiative: Charlotte NEXT.

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Check Out [The Locator!](#)



The new and improved Locator has been live for two weeks and has already received so many views and program requests since its debut! The Locator is an online tool that helps to connect children and families to Out-of-School Time programs as well as mentoring opportunities for young people and their families in Mecklenburg County. There are currently more than 300 program sites on The Locator.

For inquiries and information on The Locator, please contact Tiyana Brown at tbrown@mecked.org.

[The Locator](#)

National Summer Learning Day



**NATIONAL
SUMMER
LEARNING DAY**
JULY 12, 2018

The National Summer Learning Association defines National Summer Learning Day (July 12th) as a national advocacy day aimed at elevating the importance of keeping kids learning, safe and healthy every summer, ensuring they return to school in the fall ready to succeed in the year.

MeckEd will be celebrating National Summer Learning Day by going to a local summer program in the community. **How will you celebrate National Summer Learning Day?**

Let us know how you will be celebrating National Summer Learning Day by sending stories, pictures, and videos to tbrown@mecked.org. When posting on social media, please share by tagging MeckEd and using the tags #CharlotteNEXT #OST #NSLD.

We will send a blast at a later time sharing how our community celebrated National Summer Learning Day

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS!

Carolina Youth Coalition



CAROLINA YOUTH COALITION

CYC prepares high-achieving, under-resourced students to enter, excel in, and graduate from college so they can be full participants in society.

The Carolina Youth Coalition (CYC) is a free, college-access program for high-performing, under-resourced students. The program is entering in their first full year of programming and are currently recruiting students for our programs beginning next school year.

Click [here](#) for more information on CYC!

Math 4 Change Summer Conference



FLY Math Club will host a Math 4 Change Summer Conference where rising 6th, 7th, and 8th-grade girls come together to collaborate as advocates using leadership, design thinking, and their STEM skills to become leaders of social change. Girls will learn how to use creative problem solving to brainstorm ways to make a positive impact by helping others. We have a few spaces available.

To register, click [here](#)!

RESOURCES!

Webinar

Discussion with the RAND Corporation on the Value of Out-of-School Time Programs



Join Every Hour Counts for a webinar on **Thursday, July 26, 2:00–3:15 pm ET** to learn about key topics, such as:

- How we can measure effectiveness of programs, depending on the program's goals for outcomes
- The connection between attendance and student outcomes, and how providers can use this to their advantage
- The role of policymakers and funders in prioritizing funding for programs designed to address outcomes most crucial to the communities they serve

Click [here](#) to register!

Note: Link may not open in Google Chrome. Link does work in Safari.

Kids Eat Free

Summer Feeding Program at Carolinas HealthCare System University



Kids Eat Free @ University

CHS-University and Sodexo are proud to participate in the USDA's summer feeding program for **ALL CHILDREN** ages 18 and younger - *just follow the frog!*

- 1 Start at the "ENTREES" hot line
- 2 Select 3 different groups & no more that 5 total items (including milk)
- 3 Check out at the Kids Eat Free register - kids must eat in the cafeteria

Kids Eat Free in the Cafeteria @ University
(Monday - Friday, June 11 - Aug 24, 2018)

Breakfast: 7-9AM & Lunch: 11AM-1PM
Only certain meal combinations apply.

For more information, contact:
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This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Carolinas HealthCare System is  Atrium Health | 

Now through August 24, children can eat for free in the cafeteria during this summer feeding program at Carolinas HealthCare System University. Students can choose from a variety of menu offerings in the cafeteria each day, including protein, whole grains, fruits, vegetables and low-fat or fat-free milk, to build a balanced, nutritious meal.

The 'Kids Eat Free' program at CHS University will provide not only nourishment but also educational enrichment. Students will enjoy a healthy meal along with:

- Crafts and activities provided by the YMCA of Greater Charlotte
- Nutrition education provided by Atrium Health
- Literacy and STEM activities on Tuesdays and Wednesdays with the Charlotte Mecklenburg Library
- Farmer's market cooking demonstrations on Thursdays
- Reading activities with the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department
- The chance to hand-deliver "Get Well" cards to CHS University patients alongside CMPD officers
- The opportunity to learn about and help with planting, caring for and harvesting fruits and vegetables in the hospital garden. Produce from the garden is donated to a

local food pantry.
SHOUTOUTS!



Click the image above to watch press on Behailu's upcoming fundraising event!

Want MeckEd to share your upcoming event or program? Have questions about how MeckEd can support your organization? Please email Tiyana Brown at tbrown@mecked.org.



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