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Here's Your Charlotte NEXT Update!

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Charlotte NEXT Blast!

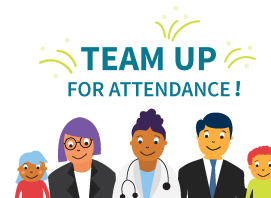
Introducing the new...Charlotte NEXT Blast! Here is where you will find out the latest information about Charlotte NEXT. MeckEd is dedicated to providing quality out-of-school time programs and resources through our initiative: Charlotte NEXT.

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Attendance Awareness Month

ATTENDANCE AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

SEPTEMBER 2018



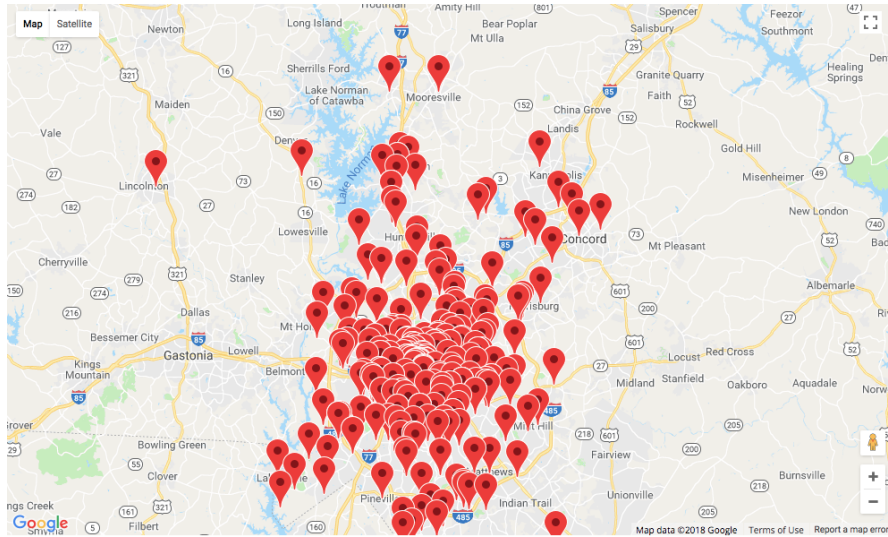
September is Attendance Awareness Month!

As Charlotte NEXT prepares for the start of programs next Monday, we want to highlight the importance of attendance in school. In order for students to engage in Out-of-School time programs, they must attend school. Attendance is a main metric of Charlotte NEXT programs so we are continuously looking at ways to help improve attendance in school by providing high quality and engaging afterschool programs for middle school students.

Click [here](#) to read on how you can spread awareness!

ONLINE TOOLS!

[The Locator](#)



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 400 program sites on The Locator.

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

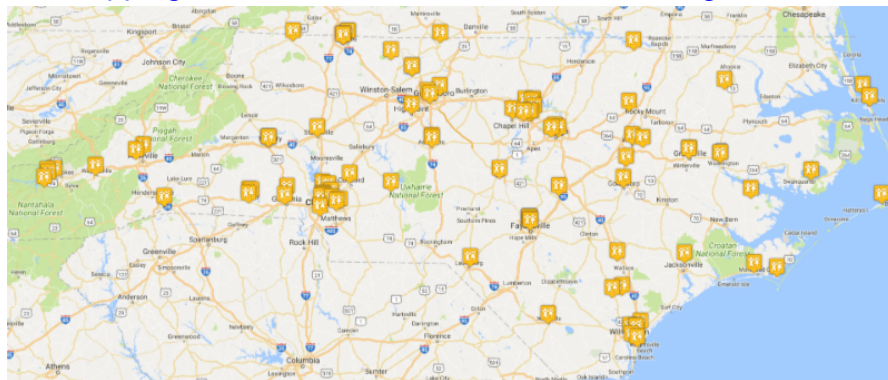
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We want your feedback!

Please take about 3 minutes to complete our quick survey on The Locator.

[Survey](#)

[NC Mapping Database of Out-of-School Time Programs](#)



The NC Center for Afterschool Programs [NC CAP] developed a statewide, searchable database for out-of-school time programs (OST) programs that serve K-12 youth before school, after school, summers, weekends and during school breaks. Programs can take place in schools, school-age child care centers, community-based organizations, faith-based organizations, universities, libraries, museums, camps, and other locations can register their programs in the statewide mapping database. You can utilize this database to search for information on program locations, activities, number and grades of youth served. This database

helps families, schools, communities and elected officials locate programs for their youth. It also aids in identifying community assets and gaps in out-of-school time programming.

Registering your program in the statewide database is easy and takes less than two minutes. [Register](#) your program today!

COMMUNITY EVENTS!

Teens Matter Too: A Campaign for Teens

Firm Foundations



Friday, September 14th

6:30pm-9:00pm

Holiday Inn Charlotte University

Firm Foundations Youth & Family Outreach invites you to engage and dine with us, for a special evening, as we bring light to an important issue within our community - the need for increased programming and opportunities for teens in Charlotte.

Click [here](#) for more information and to register!

Mentor 101: Building a Foundation for Your Role as a Mentor

Mayor's Mentoring Alliance



**MAYOR'S
MENTORING
ALLIANCE**

Tuesday, September 18th

5:30pm-7:30pm

Carole Hoefener Center

The Mayor's Mentoring Alliance (MMA) will host a FREE upcoming training, **Mentor 101: Building a Foundation for Your Role as a Mentor**, on **Tuesday, September 18, 2018 at the Carole Hoefener Center, 615 East 6th Street, from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.** Join MMA to learn the fundamental skills on how to be an effective mentor!

Attendance will be limited to the first 125 people who register, so please RSVP quickly if you are certain that you will be able to attend.

Register Here: [Mentor 101 Registration](#)

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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