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New RFP Release Date And More!

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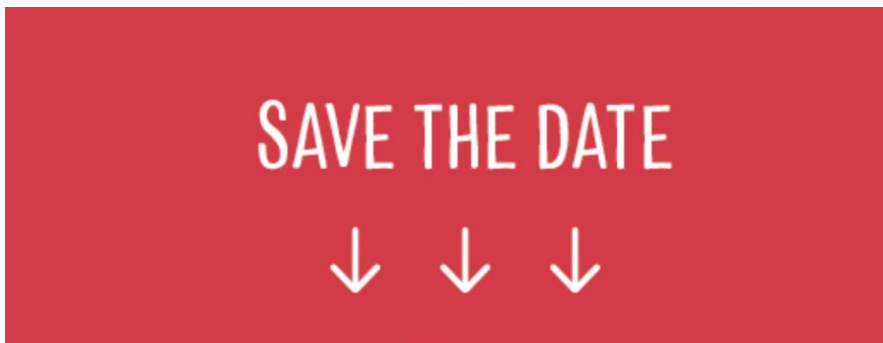


Charlotte NEXT Blast!

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!

Charlotte NEXT RFP



We want to thank you to all those who have reached out about receiving more information about the RFP. We apologize about the delay and are still working out details for the RFP. Our anticipated release date is now **Tuesday, January 22nd.** Please stay tuned for the release!

COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES!

NC Center for Afterschool Programs

Synergy Conference



The SYNERGY CONFERENCE is the premiere afterschool and expanded learning conference in North Carolina. The conference will convene April 24 - 25 at the Koury Convention Center in Greensboro, NC. This year's conference is themed: DOING THE **M.O.S.T.**: **MAXIMIZING OUT-OF-SCHOOL TIME**. The conference timeline can be viewed [here](#).

NC CAP is looking for providers and organizations to apply to present workshops and/or vendor tables. The Request for Proposals (RFPs) for workshop presenters and vendors are now open. We are excited to announce that Mentoring has been added as a new workshop strand. Workshop strands include Arts & Literacy, Closing Gaps, College & Career Readiness, Mentoring, Organizational Capacity, Public/Private Partnerships, S.T.E.M., and Youth Development.

Descriptions for each workshop strand can be viewed on the workshop and vendor RFPs. Copies of each RFP, deadlines and additional details can be accessed by visiting the [Synergy Conference 2019 page](#). The deadline for proposal submissions has been extended to January 23rd.



VENDOR REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

PROPOSAL SELECTION CRITERIA

Each proposal will be carefully reviewed based on the following criteria:

- Material aligned with student centered outcomes
- Practical application of materials for afterschool and expanded learning programs
- Priority will be given to vendors who are aligned to conference strands

REGISTRATION & FEES

The conference vendor fee is \$300. As a vendor, the registration cost will provide you:

- One booth (table with linen and chair) during the conference
- Registration to the full conference for one person (all meals, access to speakers, workshops & networking)
- If you would like an additional person to accompany you at your booth, he or she will need to register for the conference separately at the discounted rate of \$150
- Advertisement in the conference program

Please DO NOT send a payment until you have received a confirmation email from NC CAP. Vendors will be notified by February 4, 2019 and will be provided payment information at that time.

ADDITIONAL VENDOR INFORMATION

- Vendors are asked to donate an item to be given as a raffle during the conference as a means of advertising your company. Please bring your item when you check in for the conference
- If you would like to present a workshop at Synergy, please fill out a separate workshop proposal here: <https://publicschoolforumofnc.wufoo.com/forms/mm5dlm03h4un5/>
- Hotel accommodations will be available at the Sheraton Greensboro at Four Seasons at the rate of \$145/night
- NC CAP will make all space assignments. Vendors may not request a specific location.
- Vendors can check in and set up at 11am on April 24th. We strongly encourage you to be set up by 12:00pm on April 24th. The exhibit hall closes at 2:45pm on April 25th.

SUBMISSION DETAILS

Incomplete proposals will not be considered and all proposals must be submitted electronically here: <https://publicschoolforumofnc.wufoo.com/forms/m13cqx650bl445j/>. Please review the guidelines carefully before submitting your proposal. Proposals are due by 5pm on January 11, 2019 and vendors will be notified about the status of their proposal by February 4, 2019. Contact Sheronda Fleming at swtiter@ncforum.org with questions.

CONFERENCE STRANDS



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[Vendor Proposal Submission](#)



WORKSHOP REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

PROPOSAL SELECTION CRITERIA

Each proposal will be carefully reviewed based on the following criteria:

- Definition and focus of the topic
- Practical application of material
- Overall program content and quality
- Alignment to conference strands
- Previous evaluations, if applicable

The annual Synergy Conference convenes attendees at different levels of experience, so please consider how your proposed workshop can target this diversity. Workshops should encourage active learning, demonstrate innovative thinking, and present relevant research/best practices. Presenters should have significant expertise in their topic area and have spoken successfully in front of large groups prior to Synergy 2019.

WORKSHOP INFORMATION

- All workshops will be 75 minutes in length
- Workshops are limited to 1-2 presenters. However, if you have 2 presenters, the conference registration fee will be waived for the main presenter only
- All rooms will be pre-set with tables and chairs. You may rearrange as needed. However, the room must be returned to its pre-set condition before the arrival of the next presenter
- NC CAP will provide a screen and projector for each session. Presenters must bring their own laptop. Any other materials are the responsibility of the presenter
- Hotel Accommodations will be available at the Sheraton Greensboro at Four Seasons at the rate of \$145/night
- Since this is a practitioner focused conference, all powerpoint presentations must be provided for public access from the NC CAP website. All approved presenters must submit their workshop presentation in PDF format by April 3rd.

SUBMISSION DETAILS

Incomplete proposals will not be considered and all proposals must be submitted electronically here: <https://publicschoolforumofnc.wufoo.com/forms/mm5dlm03h4un5/>. Please review the guidelines carefully before submitting your proposal. Proposals are due by 5pm on January 11, 2019 and presenters will be notified about the status of their proposal by February 4, 2019. Contact Sheronda Fleming at swtiter@ncforum.org with questions.

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[Workshop Proposal Submission](#)**EARLY REGISTRATION****SYNERGY**
CONFERENCE 2019

Doing the M.O.S.T.

Maximizing Out-of-School Time

April 24-25, 2019**Koury Convention Center**

Sheraton Greensboro at Four Seasons

www.ncafterschool.org/synergyconference2019/

Early Registration is now open for the annual SYNERGY CONFERENCE! You can register [here](#) by February 10th for the discounted rate of 200. Regular registration will begin on February 11th at the regular rate of \$225.

Afterschool, before school and summer programs that have never attended the Synergy Conference are being offered a special rate. If your program/organization has never attended or participated in the Synergy Conference, staff can register to attend at the rate of \$175. Please send a registration request for this discounted rate to ncafterschool@ncforum.org. In your email, please include your program/organization name and the names of staff that are registering.

***Note: This discount is specific to programs that have never been represented at the Synergy Conference.

The SYNERGY CONFERENCE 2019 will have a hotel block at the Sheraton Greensboro at Four Seasons for the discounted rate of \$145/night. Please visit the [SYNERGY CONFERENCE 2019 page](#) next week for the link to reserve rooms and for additional conference details.

Coaches Needed

Girls on the Run & Let Me Run



Girls on the Run is for **EVERY** girl.

Join the Girls on the Run or Heart & Sole fun! Girls on the Run is for 3rd-5th graders, and Heart & Sole is for 6th-8th graders! Both 10-week programs educate and prepare girls for a lifetime of self-respect and healthy living. Using a well-researched curriculum, volunteer coaches teach life lessons through fun interactive games combined with training for a non-competitive 5K event. Topics include: learning about themselves, exploring new ideas, getting rid of negative self-talk, how to deal with bullying, gossip and peer pressure, nutrition, making healthy choices and much more. There's a space for your girl here!

The season begins the week of February 11th and will end with a celebratory, non-competitive 5K event on Saturday, April 27th (South Region) or Saturday, May 4th (North Region). See locations and register here: www.gotrcharlotte.org/program-registration



Coaches are needed for Let Me Run all over the Greater Charlotte Area. You will coach the boys through exercise and fun activities, which will help them learn how to express themselves, reach personal goals, and improve their overall wellness. Let Me Run lesson plans, including "Real Men Show their Feelings, Everyday Heroes, and Getting to Know You," prepare boys for the long run by encouraging full expression of their individual feelings. Plus, you will instruct the boys on proper running form and correct stretching techniques. At the end of the program, you and your team will celebrate your hard work with a 5k road race. The season begins in late March, and ends with the 5k on May 18th. Teams meet for 75 minutes, twice a week, for seven weeks. If interested in learning more, please visit: www.letmerun.org/coaches or contact Jay Seago at jays@letmerun.org.

SkillPop



SkillPop offer skill-building classes in a pop-up style throughout the Charlotte Area. For an affordable price, you can learn anything from leadership skills to social media. They also offer some personal skill-building classes like self-defense and knitting. Click below to learn more about the classes offered in Charlotte!

[Class Schedule](#)

Aviation Camps of the Carolinas

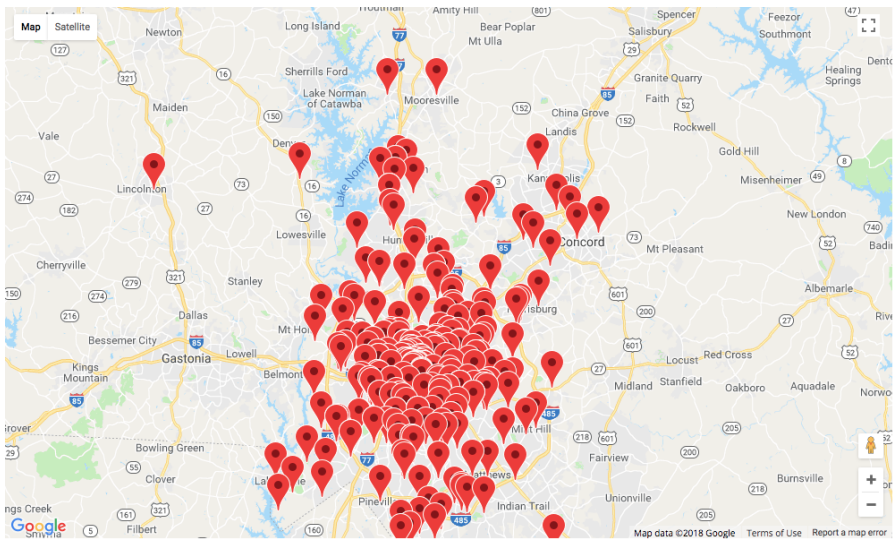


Aviation Camps of the Carolinas is having two, single day aviation career camps. One **April 16th** at the Charlotte Airport and also **June 25th** at the Charlotte Monroe Executive Airport. **And here's the catch, it's free!**

[Program Information](#)
[Camp Information](#)

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

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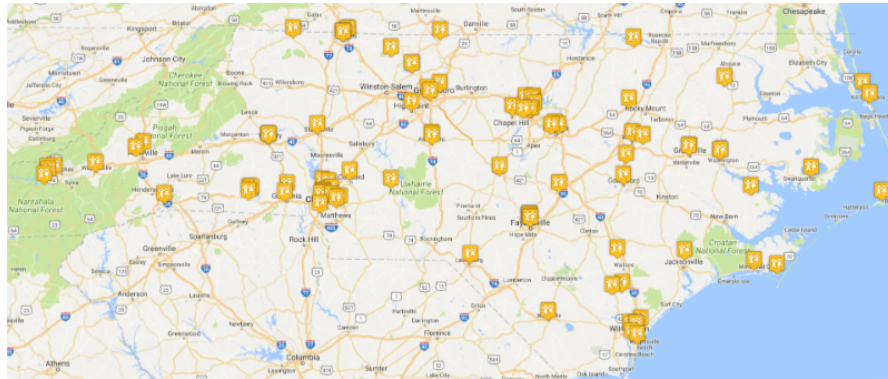
[The Locator](#)

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.

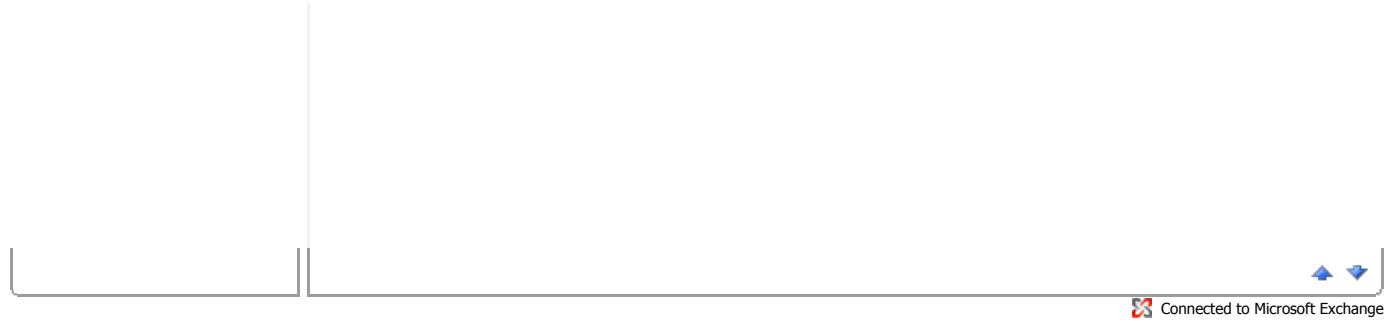
Registering your program in the statewide database is easy and takes less than two minutes. [Register](#) your program today!


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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