

# YEAR OF QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

## IMPORTANT DATES

### 2025-2026

#### August

- Jump Start Registration Opens | 8/1
- **Jump Start Hotel and PD Awards Opens | 8/1**
- UAN Incentive Opens | 8/25
- School-Age Credential Opens | 8/25

#### September

- **Quality Tool Opens | 9/2**
- Jump Start PD Awards Closes | 9/12
- **Grant Admin Quality Tool Due | 9/19**

#### October

- Jump Start Early Bird Closes | 10/5
- Well-Being Institute Registration open | 10/14
- Well-Being Institute PD Awards Open | 10/14
- Jump Start Late Registration Closes | 10/17
- **Lights On Afterschool | 10/23**
- **Jump Start Conference | 10/24-25**
- **Quality Tool Due | 10/31**

#### November

- Northern Recharge Registration Opens 11/3
- Northern Hotel and PD Awards Open 11/4
- Southern Recharge Registration Opens 11/10
- Well-Being PD Awards Close | 11/12

#### January

- Well-Being Institute Registration Closes | 1/5
- **Award Nominations Open | 1/9**
- **Well-Being Institute 1/10**
- Northern Hotel and PD Awards Closes | 1/12
- Southern PD Awards Close | 1/16
- **Advocacy 101 | TBD**
- Northern Recharge Early Bird Registration Closes | 1/30

#### February

- Northern Recharge Late Registration Closes | 2/13
- Southern Recharge Early Bird Registration Closes | 2/13
- **Northern Recharge | 2/21**
- **Afterschool Day on the Hill | 2/25**
- Southern Recharge Registration Closes | 2/27

#### March

- **Virtual Southern Recharge | 3/6**
- **National Afterschool Convention | 3/11-14**
- Afterschool Award Nominations Close | 3/20
- School-Age Credential Portfolios Due for Incentive | 3/26

#### April

- Utah Afterschool Incentive Closes | 4/11
- **Afterschool Appreciation Week | 4/20-24**

#### May

- **Program Information Form Opens | 5/1**
- Jump Start Call for Proposals Open | 5/27
- Program Information Form Closes | 5/30



WHEN YOU IMPROVE QUALITY IN  
ONE AREA, YOU POSITIVELY  
IMPACT ALL ASPECTS OF  
PROGRAMMING!

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## THROUGHOUT THE YEAR



### Hire and Train

- Post open positions, interview, and hire.
- Utilize the **Quality Tool** and **eLearning** for staff training.
- Review any grant scopes and objectives with team and share plans for implementation.
- Plan intentional activities that meet objectives and goals for program and youth. Including important events and dates like Lights On.

### Observe and Assess

- Review all areas of the **Quality Tool** with your team.
- Divide areas of the tool amongst staff and assign a deadline to review practices and how they are implemented in your program.
- Hold a team meeting to discuss staff observations. Talk about strengths, areas for improvement, and outline next steps.

### Implement

- Use your **Quality Tool** results, survey data, observation results, and other relevant info to set goals on how you want your program to improve throughout the rest of the year.
- Hold staff accountable for goals and discuss progress frequently.
- Assess goal status: Have you met your goal, are you making progress, or do your goals need revising?

### Reflect

- Review overall goals for the year. What can be incorporated into summer or fall programming?
- Begin planning for summer or the next school year.
- Review next year's funding requirements and opportunities.

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