



Vermont Afterschool

Providing quality expanded learning time (ELT) opportunities for children and youth pays off in the long run:

Every \$1 invested in Vermont afterschool and summer learning programs leads to a return on investment of \$2.18!

Let's start with an annual investment of

\$50 million

to provide access to quality ELT programs for all of Vermont's K-12 youth.

This provides programming for approximately

22,000

additional youth to attend quality ELT programs during the school year and summer.

It would cost

\$2,318

on average to provide access to quality ELT programs per pupil in Vermont.

We know that students who regularly attend quality ELT programs...



are less likely to be involved in risky behavior and juvenile crime.



have better academic outcomes and are more engaged in learning.



have less absenteeism and are more likely to graduate high school.

By providing Vermont's youth access to quality ELT programs, immediate and long-term savings and benefits to taxpayers would be

\$5 million

for reducing school grade retention, substance abuse treatment, and juvenile crime.

\$14 million

in increased wages, productivity, improved child development, and health status as a result of fewer high school drop-outs.

\$123 million

if fewer at-risk youth engaged in criminal activities and drug abuse over the years.

Total annual benefit to Vermont taxpayers for increasing access to quality ELT programming for all youth during the school year and summer over the long run.

\$92 million savings