

## The Benefits of Summer Programs

Summer programs don't only get your children out of the house and away from the TV.

Summer programs:

Keep children active

Ensure kids are eating healthy foods

Improve school-year academic performance

Develop leadership skills

Provide opportunities for social and emotional growth

Encourage children to continue fun and educational activities in afterschool programs



## What's New at DYCD

### New Out-of-School Time (OST) Programs for High School Youth

Starting in September, DYCD will launch new programs for high school students. One of these programs is designed to help 9th graders move successfully through to 10th grade promotion at the end of the year. The other OST program is geared toward providing low-income high school juniors and seniors with skill-building activities, job experience and twelve months of follow-up services after the program is completed .

### Youth Programs at New York City Housing Authority Community Centers

Since February, DYCD has been operating Beacon satellite programs at twenty-five New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) Community Centers citywide. We spent the winter and spring planning a new youth program model for these centers, and new programs will begin January 1, 2010.

For more information, visit [www.nyc.gov/dycd](http://www.nyc.gov/dycd) and click on "Afterschool"

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