

Instructions for Completion of “After School Zone” Application

The “After School Zone” is pleased to announce a funding grant of up to \$25,000 per semester for the 2009-2010 school year. A total of \$25,000 is available in this initiative. The maximum award per proposal will be \$5,000.

(Albany Public Middle Schools).

Applications will not be accepted for summer school programs.

General Guidelines:

- The ultimate purpose of an “After School Zone” is to contribute to the healthy, successful development of our youth as they move through their school years. With this in mind, please be aware of the following:
- **ATTRACTIVENESS OF THE PROGRAM OFFERING**
- **PHYSICAL SAFETY**
- **PROGRAM SUPPORTS THE MENTAL/SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL HEALTH OF ALL PARTICIPANTS**
- **PROGRAM ENCOURAGES PARTICIPANTS TO MAKE CHOICES AND BECOME MORE RESPONSIBLE**
- **STAFF RELATIONSHIPS WITH PARTICIPANTS ARE POSITIVE, SUPPORTIVE, NURTURING, AND CONSISTENT**
- **STRONG SUPERVISION**
- **PROGRAM SPACE AND EQUIPMENT FIT THE NEEDS OF PARTICIPANTS, STAFF, AND THE CURRICULUM**

Remember: Relationships are the “glue” of an after-school program!