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## Mark your Calendar!

### September 29 - ICYD Council Kick-Off

The ICYD Council will have its inaugural kickoff meeting at the end of September. The ICYD Steering Committee and the SAWG will NOT be meeting September 30 due to the Kick-Off. For more information, please contact Steve Michael at [steve.michael@iowa.gov](mailto:steve.michael@iowa.gov)

### November 5 – 2009 Prevention Symposium

*Save the Date* for the 2009 Prevention Symposium! The symposium is sponsored by The Iowa Department of Public Health and Training Resources for individuals who have an interest in learning about substance abuse and problem gambling prevention. Hotel rooms are at the Ramada Inn Northwest and are under the name "Prevention Symposium for \$86/night (plus tax). Participants are responsible for making reservation and for expenses incurred.

**Ramada Inn Northwest**  
5000 Merle Hay Road  
Des Moines, IA 50322  
Phone: 515- 278-0271

Want your event in the next issue? Contact [amy.daniels@iowa.gov](mailto:amy.daniels@iowa.gov) with a date, location, and a short description.

## Youth Development News

### Afterschool Alliance Plans Lights On After School event

The 10th annual nationwide celebration of afterschool programs will take place October 22, 2009 in more than 7,500 communities. Join the 1 million Americans who take part in *Lights On Afterschool* to help call attention to the afterschool programs that keep our kids safe, inspire them to learn and help working families. To learn more [Click Here.](#)

### Federal Agencies Compile Database of Youth-serving Programs

Federal agencies have come together to create an interactive Web site that compiles resources that strengthen America's youth. You can locate Federally-funded programs for youth by most geographical parameters, generate maps based on census data, search for programs based on protective and risk factors addressed by the program, look up youth facts, search for funding information, and many other things. To access these resources, [Click Here.](#)

### ICYD Receives Mention in Positive Youth Development Article

The Finance Project produced a research article entitled, "A Guide to Effective Investments in Positive Youth Development" and the ICYD was highlighted for its collaborative efforts. Check out the whole article by clicking below. You will need to create a free login in order to access the research. [Click Here.](#)

### NIDA for Teens Offers Free Resources

Complement your lesson plan by using the free online resources from the National Institute on Drug Abuse's Web site. These will help to integrate the science behind drug abuse into your classroom activities! To access these, [Click Here.](#)

### Free Positive Youth Development Training From FYSB

FYSB is providing a training to introduce you to positive youth development theories and practices. To learn more, [Click Here.](#)

## ICYD Happenings

### The new website is up and running!

The Iowa Collaboration for Youth Development has launched a new, easy to use site with more youth development information than ever before.

Come and visit the new site today at <http://www.icyd.iowa.gov/>.

## SIYAC Update

Each fall marks the beginning of another school year for students all over the United States. For sixteen high school students across the State of Iowa, it also meant the start to their term on the State of Iowa Youth Advisory Council (SIYAC). On September 16<sup>th</sup>, SIYAC had its first official meeting at the Lucas Building in Des Moines.

The council not only got acquainted with what SIYAC is and what their mission for the year will be, but also had presentations from the Iowa Commission on Volunteer Service (ICVS), Iowa Jobs for American Graduates (IJAG), and Team Nutrition. All organizations presented possible ways SIYAC could partner with them in the future, allowing the council to see some of the possible roads they could take for the year.

At the end of a productive and informative day, the council voted Veronica Arndorfer of Algona as their Executive Chair, Sean Ryan of Waterville as Vice Chair, and Jenna Harms of Alta as Secretary for the year. The council will continue to collaborate via conference calls and emails until the next meeting to be scheduled in November.

If you or your organization would like to partner with SIYAC, contact [SIYAC@iowa.gov](mailto:SIYAC@iowa.gov)

This is an electronic newsletter distributed by the Iowa Collaboration for Youth Development (ICYD). ICYD is a partnership of state and local entities concerned about youth and youth policies. The goals of the initiative are to promote the use of positive youth development principles in state policies and programs and to facilitate the use of effective youth development practices in communities throughout Iowa.

If you have feedback, suggestions, or information to share, send it to [amy.daniels@iowa.gov](mailto:amy.daniels@iowa.gov).