

2023 TRAINING CALENDAR

FALL

ABOUT US

Center for Afterschool, Summer and Enrichment for Kids (CASE)

CASE for Kids, a division of Harris County Department of Education, services improve program quality and equalize access to afterschool, summer and enrichment opportunities – because what happens between school and home matters. To learn more about CASE for Kids services, visit www.hcde-texas.org/after-school

Harris County Department of Education (HCDE)

HCDE is a unique, educational hybrid serving school districts, governmental agencies, nonprofits and the public in the third-largest county in the U.S. HCDE annually serves a quarter-million students and educators through schools for students with profound special needs; the largest adult education program in Texas; Head Start early childhood education; school-based therapy services; and afterschool programs. Educator professional development and certification, school safety, records management, and a purchasing cooperative are also provided. #SeeTheImpact at www.hcde-texas.org.

PD OPTIONS

CASE for Kids strives to offer multiple professional development options to meet the needs of Out-of-School Time (OST) field.

These are our current offerings

We offer:

- In-person workshop opportunities
- Live webinars
- Deeper dive workshops
- Virtual library of recorded webinars (completion of exit ticket for certificate)
- CPR/First Aid certification workshops
- Symposiums
- Professional learning communities
- CASE Quality Team recommendations for free national webinars

SEPTEMBER

Click on workshop type and date to register.

Certificates are provided based on participation and time in workshop.

Registration ensures notification of any changes to workshop schedule.

Building Community

[In-person workshop, Friday, September 15, 2023 10 :00 am- 12:00 pm](#)

Students need to feel safe and supported to learn and thrive. In this interactive workshop, we will discuss how to continually reinforce a sense of community and explore activities designed to engage students. Come ready to share your ideas and add some new tools and strategies to your toolbox!

Structure and Clear Limits

[In-person workshop, Friday, September 29, 2023 10 :00 am- 12:00 pm](#)

Do you struggle with managing challenging behaviors of the youth in your program? Would you like to learn a way to facilitate youths' self-management skills when they misbehave? Learn how to reframe all youth behavior as opportunities for youth to learn responsibility, emotion management and problem-solving skills. You will practice activities and strategies that help youth improve their communication, responsibility, problem-solving and empathy skills. You will leave this training with a "toolkit" of easy-to-use activities and strategies to improve youth behavior.

*In-person workshops will be held at
6005 Westview Drive, Houston
77055*

OCTOBER

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Adding SEL Concepts in OST

[In-person workshop, Thursday, October 5, 2023](#) [10 :00 am- 12:00 pm](#)

This interactive workshop will introduce participants to the Harmony SEL curriculum that focuses on positive peer relationships in 15–20-minute lessons. This CASEL SElect curriculum is a fun and engaging way to build teamwork, friendships, and positive communication outside of the regular school day. Participants will leave with materials to implement lessons as well as the opportunity for on-going technical assistance from CASE.

Ready, Set, Transition!

[In-person workshop, Thursday October 12, 2023](#) [10 :00 am- 12:00 pm](#)

How many times do students switch activities in your program? Transitions between activities can be a point of stress for students and adults. Let's talk about strategies that reduce tension, encourage self-regulation and create learning opportunities.

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Increasing Physical Activity with Teambuilding Exercises

[In-person workshop, Friday, October 13, 2023 10 :00 am- 12:00 pm](#)

Come ready to have fun as we discuss teaching strategies for team building to help promote community and increase students' physical activity. Participants will play and then create a list of teambuilding games and physical exercise activities for students to implement within their curriculum lesson plans. Fill your toolbox with helpful resources to support your practices.

CPR/First Aid and AED

[In-person workshop, Friday, October 19, 2023 9 :00 am- 12:00 pm](#)

Through CPR/First Aid training, you will learn how to provide immediate care in cardiac, breathing and first aid emergencies until advanced medical personnel arrive. With a certified American Red Cross Instructor, the training is appropriate for job mandated requirements, or if you just want to know how to keep your loved ones or students safe. There will be hands on simulation learning along with a link to digital refresher courses within 2 years of your certification. Join millions who are trained every year and learn the skills that can save a life. Dress comfortably for hands on simulations on the floor. \$40 fee for in-county attendees, \$45 for out of county.

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Ask, Listen, Encourage

[In-person workshop, Friday, October 20, 2023 10 :00 am- 12:00 pm](#)

Do you communicate with youth in a way that makes them feel supported and heard? This workshop provides strategies for carrying out positive, purposeful interactions with young people through asking effective questions, letting young people speak, and making specific observations about their decisions. All of these practices, encourage them to succeed.

Robot Dance Party: Writing Song Lyrics and Collaborating with AI Tools

[In-person workshop, Friday, October 27, 2023 10 :00 am- 12:00 pm](#)

Artificial Intelligence tools are everywhere now, and OST professionals can use them to travel at the speed of their student's creative thoughts. Using the art of songwriting as our guide, this workshop is designed for any OST professional who wants to explore the world of AI-powered learning, collaboration and creativity. Participants will walk away with actionable, creative ideas on how to find and use AI tools and techniques with intention to inspire their students.

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NOVEMBER

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OST Activities from the SMART Zone

[In-person workshop, Friday, November 3, 2023 10 :00 am- 12:00 pm](#)

Are you looking to spice up your programming? Do you want to try out cool curriculum and materials without investing cash? Join us to interact with available to borrow materials from the SMART Zone! These academic enrichment activities are designed specifically for out-of-school time. This workshop will provide an opportunity for hands-on activities that will show how you can explore literacy, STEM and STEAM with your OST students while building community and having fun!

Leadership Symposium

[In-person session, Friday, November 10 2023 8:30 am- 2:00 pm](#)

HCDE Conference Center, 6300 Irvington Blvd., Houston

Content geared to aspiring leaders! Keynote presentation will focus on crafting a culture of difference makers. How can you as a leader, encourage students to find their voice and make a difference? 4 hours of credit can be earned via keynote and workshops. Cost is \$40 for in-county attendees and \$50 for out of county attendees.

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LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM

Leadership Symposium, Friday, November 10, 2023, 8:30 am -2:00 pm

HCDE Conference Center, 6300 Irvington Blvd. Houston, 77022

Challenge yourself to explore new perspectives, and make key connections about your leadership skills!
Content of the Symposium is geared to aspiring leaders.

Keynote presentation by Brandon McCall of Teen Truth, will focus on crafting a culture of difference makers.
How can you as a leader, encourage students to find their voice and make a difference?

Cost is \$40 for in county attendees and \$50 for out of county attendees. 4 credit hours available.
Details on workshops and logistics will be emailed once registered. Lunch and snacks will be served

Register

DECEMBER

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Reimagining the Vision: Vision Board Party

In-person workshop, Friday, December 1, 2023 10 :00 am- 12:00 pm

This fun, interactive workshop will focus on understanding how to facilitate the vision board planning and creation process with students. Learn how developing vision boards can assist with team building as well as helping students articulate their goals. Leave with your own vision board and be ready to host vision board parties in your program.

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RECORDED WEBINARS

The virtual library of recorded webinars features local OST content experts and CASE for Kids staff.

Registration is required to view a recording. Certificates of attendance will be provided when you complete an exit ticket.

Topics include:

Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) for students and adults

Activities for OST programs (direct care and virtual)

Classroom/Behavior Management

Communication

Literacy/Numeracy

[Click to view topics & register](#)

NATIONAL WEBINARS

[Virtual Lab School](#)
[Afterschool Alliance](#)

[CASEL](#)

[ASCD](#)

[edWeb](#)

[Common Sense Education](#)

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