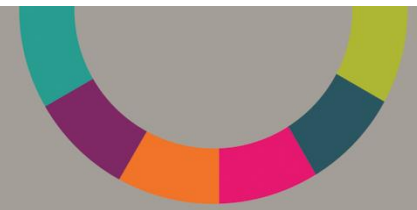


Take Action Calendar: Key Dates and Events



Date/Month	How to Take Action
February 2016	February Regional Meetings Invite Greater MN leaders and stakeholders in your network to Ignite's regional meetings to ensure the network's campaign is statewide!
March 8, 2016 – May 2016	2016 Legislative Session <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify grasstops leaders to champion afterschool (e.g., write an op-ed, participate in issue education events, etc.)• Invite your legislator to visit your program site• Contact or meet with your legislators on the importance of afterschool
March 29, 2016	Youth Day at the Capitol 2016 Recruit youth to participate in the day as an afterschool advocate - meet with their legislators, lead civic engagement workshops, and voice their concerns at the Minnesota Youth Council committee hearing.
Sept. 1 – Nov. 8, 2016	2016 Election Season Stay tuned for more detailed strategies and resources to engage candidates on the issue of afterschool funding in the 2016 election.
Oct. 20, 2016	Lights On Afterschool 2016 Help Ignite plan a large LoA event at CHS Field that will raise awareness about the value of afterschool among the media, policymakers, community leaders, and the public.
January – May 2017	2017 Legislative Session <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify grasstops leaders to champion afterschool (e.g., write an op-ed, participate in issue education events, etc.)• Invite your legislator to visit your program site• Contact or meet with your legislators on the importance of afterschool



Do you know about upcoming events or opportunities to engage the afterschool field in MN? Submit them to Ignite's event calendar!

<http://igniteafterschool.org/events-opportunities/event-submission/>