

# Councilmember Matt Frumin introduces the **Universal Out of School Time**

*Amendment Act of 2023*



Councilmember Frumin introduced legislation to require the District of Columbia to guarantee access to affordable out-of-school time programming by 2035 for every student in a DC Public School or DC Public Charter School. The bill was drafted with the support of the Out-of-School Time Coalition and DC Action, and was co-introduced by Councilmembers Charles Allen, Anita Bonds, Janeese Lewis George, Kenyan McDuffie, Brianne Nadeau, Zachary Parker, Brooke Pinto, Robert White, and Trayon White.

"This legislation gives the city a road map for expanding critical out-of-school time programs, which are proven to improve education, safety, and economic opportunity"  
-Councilmember Frumin

#### **Out-of-School Time at a glance:**

- DC needs to add 53,000 afterschool and 57,000 summer program seats to achieve universal access.
- Wards 7 and 8 have the highest unmet need for OST programming, with only 35% and 34% of OST needs being met, respectively.
- DC ranks first in the country for afterschool programming, but almost 2 in 3 children still do not have access to an OST seat.

#### **WHAT WOULD THE UNIVERSAL OUT OF SCHOOL TIME AMENDMENT ACT DO?**

- 1** Mandate universal access to affordable before and after school, school break, and summer programming by 2035.
- 2** Prioritize more seats for youth who are at-risk, English language learners, criminal justice involved, or who have disabilities.
- 3** Identify and address barriers to OST access, closing racial and geographic disparities.
- 4** Facilitate interagency collaboration and require continued support for community-based OST providers.
- 5** Update OST Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan to include youth input and racial equity analysis.
- 6** Require greater grant and data standardization, collection, reporting, and transparency.

