

The Bridge of Northeast Florida (featured event site)

North Shore Elementary – 5701 Silver Plaza 32208

The Jacksonville Children's Commission in partnership with the Bridge of Northeast Florida, Duval County Schools and the Afterschool Alliance will celebrate the importance of afterschool programs on Oct. 18th. .

The rally at North Shore Elementary will celebrate the achievements of afterschool students including celebrating the schools improvement in their academic achievement in the school year 10-11 increasing the school's overall attainment grade from a "D" to a "B."

The children will showcase their talents for art, dance, poetry, sports and fashion design by presenting: We are the World: Engaging Youth Afterschool program. This program will be providing a parade of nation's flags, talent show featuring West African dance, a fashion design showcase of cultural apparel from around the world, "I am an Athlete" monologues and display of student computer presentations.

Speakers at the rally will warn that tight budgets are endangering afterschool programs here in Jacksonville and around the country, forcing many to cut back or even close their doors.

Other program providers for the 2012-2013 school year include Boys & Girls Clubs of Northeast Florida; The Bridge of Northeast Florida; Communities In Schools of Jacksonville; Community Connections; Duval County Public Schools; Hope Haven Children's Clinic and Family Center; MaliVai Washington Kids Foundation; Police Athletic League of Jacksonville; Wayman Community Development Corporation and the YMCA of Florida's First Coast.

Community Connections

A.L. Lewis Center – 3655 Ribault Scenic Drive 32208

Community Connections of Jacksonville is hosting its first Fall Festival to highlight the art, academic and social activities students are exposed to in our programs. Parents and staff will enjoy a white elephant sale and clothing drive while students completely involve themselves in bounce houses, field games, carnival games, face painting, food and more! Seven (7) sites will be participating with approximately 250 students.

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Police Athletic League (PAL)

PAL TEAM UP at Palm Avenue Exceptional Student Center

1301 W. Palm Avenue 32254

An assembly of students will present a musical arrangement with individually designed and hand-made musical instruments. Students will execute a fun and funky line dance taught to them by a TEAM UP staff member. Poetry Reading by Poefaces Incorporated with Allen James will perform.

PAL TEAM UP at R.L. Brown Elementary

1535 Milnor Street 32206

Celebrating Lights On through science activities - students will build robots with the recyclables donated items. The designed robots will be able to electrically move. Students will also create a circuit from a experiment developed by JEA through E-smart kids

PAL Eastside

1050 Franklin St. 32206

"Letting our LIGHTS shine!" Activities will include students will design, cut out and decorate facility with assorted light bulbs that will be painted using glow in the dark paint and florescent colors. After all the celebrating is complete and prior to program ending we will shut off all lights and highlight the evening with a Glow in the dark Lights on After-School Display that will illuminate the room. Our focus is S.T.E.A.M. and we will use all components of S.T.E.A.M. to fulfill this day of celebration and appreciation for the Lights on After-School project/program.

Special Events: Science Lab Glow in the dark Jell-O

Engineering Building light poles

Technology Lighting the bulbs (Cordless)

Math Using batteries and formulas to light bulbs
Arts Performance by the Eastside Divas Step Team

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PAL at 33rd

2165 W. 33rd Street 32209

"Lights, Camera, Action" Activities will include drum Line, karate skit and dance performances by the students. A representative from The Woodmen of the World Difference will briefly speak to the parents about the importance of having their child finger printed and provide valuable information. Remarks will be made from former PAL Kid and Professional Boxer, Nate Campbell and the Honorable Florida State Senator Audrey Gibson, District 1. Jacksonville Bail Agency will distribute a backpack filled with supplies for school. All students will be uniformed, wearing their handmade glow-in-the-dark t-shirts. Lights On Afterschool art work, made by the students, will be displayed in the gymnasium.

PAL at Mallison Park

441 Day Avenue 32254

Mallison Park will celebrate Lights On with activities every day of the week:

- Monday, October 15th Light on Poster Contest
- Tuesday, October 16th Light Bulb Art Project
- Wednesday, October 17th Field Trip: Jacksonville Public Library Highland Branch
- Thursday, October 18th Lights On Program Rally:
 - Featuring Performances by "MAL-PAL Step and Pep Teams"
 - Parent/Volunteer Appreciation
 - Safety Lessons
 - Door Prizes

PAL at Monument

3450 Monument Rd. 32225

"Lights On Monument - Outer Space Galaxy." Activities will focus on science, technology, and engineering. First and second grades will create Star Consultations art projects, third grade will concentrate on aviation – making model planes, fourth grade focus on weather tracking creating a wind chime project and middle school will create a cupcake robot cake contest.

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MaliVai Washington Kids Foundation

1096 W. Sixth St., 32209

Open house from 3pm-5pm including a site tour by MaliVai Washington at 3:15p.m.

Hope Haven Children's Clinic and Family Center

11780 Alden Road, 32245

TEAM UP Afterschool at Alden Road serving pizza, providing a karaoke/ dance party and promoting arts completed by the youth. Teachers, principals and staff of the school have been invited to join.