WHAT HAS ASAS P&C DONE SINCE THE COVID 19 CRISIS?

ASAS P&C is working hard doing everything we can to support our communities through this crisis. To help mitigate the impact our programs are facing, our schools and partners are preparing for virtual learning. ASAS P&C is also committed to helping those in need of food. We understand that schools closing will leave many of our students without meals, and we are prepared to help them. TikTok is donating $3M to After-School All-Stars to help provide food for our families. This donation will aid in the distribution of food credits and gift cards for local grocery partners in 60 cities across the United States. You can read more about the ASAS and TikTok partnership here.

SCHOOLS WILL BE CLOSED FOR MORE THAN TWO WEEKS, WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR ASAS?

Our mission is to keep our students safe, and while schools are closed our staff is working hard to make sure we are ready to go once they open again. We are working on preparing for summer programs, finalizing curriculum to provide our students with transformative experiences, and mentoring students in developing skills and habits needed to succeed in life, school, and their future careers.

HOW DOES COVID 19 SHAPE YOUR PERSPECTIVE ON SUPPORT SERVING STUDENTS?

The unique nature of ASAS P&C programming is its hands-on approach to exposing students to different careers and different ways of learning. Right now, we are working to provide our students with this, through our online engagement. Our mission has always been to keeps students safe and we want to ensure our students are safe during this time.

THIS CRISIS HAS HIT THE NONPROFIT SECTOR HARD, HOW IS ASAS RESPONDING?

After-School All-Stars Philadelphia & Camden is responding by staying engaged. We are consistently engaged with our community through social media, newsletters, emails and phone. We are engaged with our funders and making sure that we’re making the best use of their funds at this time. We are talking with them about creative ways to utilize their funding since we cannot be in the schools right now. We are staying engaged with our staff by providing them with up to date trainings and continued education. And of course, we are staying in engaged with our students and their parents. We are continuing to provide as much “after-school” programming that we can during these unique times.

HOW CAN ASAS SUPPORTERS HELP DURING THIS TIME?

Now more than ever, we need the community’s support. If you have any creative educational ideas to engage our students and staff virtually; educational apps, links, or videos that can be shared. In addition, COVID-19 has had a devastating impact on every industry in the nation’s way of life. An industry hit even harder are those who provide safety net resources for vulnerable parents such as childcare/after school providers. Please keep us in mind as we try to support our students and their families during these trying times.

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