



## QUALITY OUT-OF-SCHOOL-TIME *Inspires Learning*



Cheyenne Vining, a 17-year-old junior at Millions University Prep, glows as she describes her work on mutating fruit-fly proteins as a participant on the University of Pittsburgh's Gene Team project. Cheyenne spends two days each week at the School 2 Career Oakland location where she does homework, works on her resume, or sharpens her Microsoft skills. Two additional days weekly, she goes to her paid, mentored work placement at a Pitt lab where she studies DNA slides with her mentor, Miss Becky. Cheyenne likes solving mysteries and sees her work in the lab as a way she can do that.

Cheyenne has been attending the School 2 Career afterschool program since her freshman year and illuminates the organization's "We Create Bright Futures" slogan. She is a high-honor-roll student, one of two 2017 HYPE scholars, and this year's School 2 Career ambassador. School 2 Career has 100% high school graduation and 100% college acceptance among its program participants.

*Getting the invitation to college graduation four years after someone leaves our program is really rewarding.*

— Karla Stallworth,  
School 2 Career  
Program Director

# APOST Dispatch

As 2017 draws to a close, I am reminiscing on my first year as director of APOST. One of the highlights was the first Making Time for Afterschool Awards event where



APOST recognized State Rep. Jake Wheatley with an Advocacy Award, Human Services Center Corporation with a Quality Award, and Saturday Light Brigade with a Partnership Award. The event coincided with a visit to Pittsburgh by some members of the PA State Afterschool Caucus who toured four local examples of outstanding out-of-school time programs.

My team and I are looking forward to continued collaboration, progress, and success in 2018, especially as we work together to advance the Policy Agenda we mailed to you in October. Mark your calendar now for next year's Making Time for Afterschool Awards on Thursday, June 7, 2018!

With appreciation and holiday greetings,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathryn Vargas".

Kathryn Vargas  
APOST Director



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## QUALITY CAMPAIGN DASHBOARD

December 2017

{ 53 Organizations  
47,840 Youth Served  
602 Professionals Trained

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**Allegheny Partners for Out-of-School Time** (APOST) is a partnership of funders, intermediaries, and providers dedicated to building a quality Out-of-School Time (OST) System that will contribute to the healthy, successful development of young people as they progress through their school years, graduate from high school, and enter adulthood.