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After School Discovery

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What happened during the last School year?

What is happening this School Year?

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ASD Programming is for Planting seeds of learning, empathy and respect for self, each other and the world!

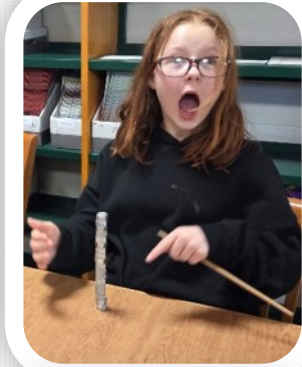
During this past school year ASD programming has provided 1900 hours of student engagement to over 600 students, by 44 ASD paid team associates— in Discovery Cove, Celebrate, Strive 4 Success, Club 212 and Summer Of Discovery 2026. Thank you to all who have worked or donated to make these opportunities available to our students in the Ashtabula Area City Schools. There is a wide range of success — between 22% and 86% of the students who participated in one of the ASD programs have shown school day data growth in academic scores as well as in positive behaviors and school day attendance. Hopefully the seeds will continue to be nourished and the students' success will grow!

Again this last school year ASD provided Career Expos, a student Etiquette Dinner (donated and served by Sunset Transportation), Student Showcases, Family Game Night, and field trips. All this along with hours of academic coaching (reading, ELA, math, science) and enrichment opportunities (Fun with Food, Art Club, Lego STEM, Micro-Sports, Fitness, Strategic Games, Girls' Circle and so much more!). ASD also supported the Ashtabula County High School Botany Competition and Kids for Positive Change programming.

I am thankful to our ASD Team and our Partner, Ashtabula Area City Schools, who ALL instill confidence to our families to make them feel safe in allowing ASD to provide a safe, secure and caring environment for their precious children to continue growing & learning.

Linda Coblitz, Executive Director

ASD Smiles & Mission



After School Discovery is committed to enriching the lives of students and families in Ashtabula County. The mission of After School Discovery is to support children and their families in becoming life-long learners. ASD provides and promotes enrichment opportunities and learning initiatives that stimulate young minds and support a child's learning and development.

ASD began programming in 1995 and continues to change the opportunities and supports offered each year as the students and their families need change, of course, also by funding changes. Most ASD programs offer a snack after school and a dinner through the AACCS Food Service Department before they are bused home at the close of their ASD program. Each program offers at least an hour of academic skills, an hour of enrichment opportunity (i.e. sport skills, Lego STEM, Computer, Art, Music, Strategic Games, Earth Advocates, Environmental Heroes, Book Club, Nutrition, Fitness, Fun with Food), career exploration, along with social, emotional and life skills.

Summer of Discovery 2026

Summer of Discovery 2026 was a Celebration of America's 250 for AACs & Direction Home students entering first through 7th grade. The 133 students participated in five weeks of academics (Math, ELA skills & Science), enrichment choices (Arts, PE/Sports, Lego STEM, Fun with Food, SEL, Theatre & so much more), with over 100 hours of student engagement. Students received a breakfast and lunch meal, snacks along with the availability of a bus ride to and from the program.

Career Exploration & life skills were two of the Summer themes, with a field trip, Careers on Wheels and centers engaging all, along with a book writing adventure with two authors, folk tales with an author, and Folk Music lessons and presentation by Simple Gifts duo. Students finished up their Summer of Discovery inviting their families to join them for performances, dancing, field games, treats and visiting with George Washington & Elizabeth Cady Stanton!



Field Trip around Bridge Street Careers, Published Book by the Students, Planting with Earth Advocates, Learning to play the spoons with Simple Gifts, Art Club, Awards with George and Elizabeth, Keyboarding practice



ASD Annual Appeal 2026-2027

If you would like to continue supporting beyond school hours academics and enrichments through After School Discovery, please donate on our web-site, call the ASD Office with your credit card info or mail a check to the ASD post office box. Your continued support is always appreciated by students, families and the ASD Team.



Rivalry Run 5K or 1 mile Walk

Get your Blood PUMPING before the Big Game
with the Rivalry Run....Celebrate afterwards with some rivalry fun and a drink at Cloven Hoof

5K or 1 Mile
Rivalry Run
Saturday, November 28, 2026



Proceeds to Benefit After School Discovery

Sponsorships Available

Participate in the Fun and Rivalry by becoming a Sponsor for this 5K / 1 Mile Race

Sponsorships of \$250 and over will receive their name on the Rivalry Run Blanket and be mentioned in Social Media Posts and Race Documents
Sponsors at the \$100 level will receive their name listed on Social Media and Race Documents



Sponsorships Available:

Hang on Sloopy	\$100
O-H-I-O Spirit	\$250
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Or Call ASD Business Office at 440-993-1060 for credit card payment

Registration: 9:00 am at Cloven Hoof Brewery, 1308 Bridge Street, Ashtabula
Registration Fee: \$30 PreRegistration Fee, \$35 Day of the Race Registration Fee
Race Time: 10:00 AM
Route: Bridge Street Area, start and finish of the race is at Cloven Hoof Brewery
Awards for 5K: 1st place medals, 2nd and 3rd place ribbons for each age group: under 15, 15-19, (Male & Female)
20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70+

Timing & Scoring: Stasny Road Racing (ChronoTrack Chip Timing)
Online Registration: www.stasnyroadracing.com (see Upcoming Events)



First 100 Participants will receive a Blanket & a Ticket for a bubbly drink at Cloven Hoof

Ashtabula Distance Runners Grand Prix Information and results can be found at
www.ashtabuladistancerunners.org

You Can HELP!

The Eighth annual ASD Rivalry Run 5K or 1 mile walk will take place this year on Saturday, November 28, 2026.

Stasny Road Racing is again handling the logistics and timing, with awards being handed out inside the warmth of Cloven Hoof Brewery once the race is completed.

Come join some winter fun, the competition between OSU and U of M, and of course, a bubbly drink from Cloven Hoof.

Your Registration and Sponsorship fees all go to Support ASD Programming for our Ashtabula Students.

Sponsorships are available until October 25th.

Registrations are open now:

www.stasnyroadracing.com

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ASD Fall 2026 Programs

Discovery Cove

- Before and after school child enrichment program for Preschool through 6th grade for students that attend a school on the AACs Elementary Campus.
- The program began August 25th and is open each student AACs school day, and also open for student half days.
- Held at Ontario School Building from 6–9 am and 2:30 to 6 pm (closed during school hours).
- Snack after school & dinner meal at 5 pm.
- This is a parent pay or ODJFS payment program with the cost of \$5.50 per hour for the first child and \$5.25 per hour for each additional child from the same household.

Strive 4 Success for Intermediate

- Academic Coaching & Enrichment Opportunities for students in grades 3rd through 6th.
- Students will participate in a choice of enrichments, career exploration, and physical activity along with an hour of focused academic coaching for support in reading and mathematics.
- Begins October 6th through December 9th.
- Offered after school at Superior Intermediate on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, then transitioning to Ontario Building for dinner meal and enrichment time.
- Bussing home is available at No charge to families.
- Snack after school, a dinner meal and dismissal at 6:30 pm.
- Offered through a contract with AACs and foundation support, so there is No charge to

Club 212 at LJHS

- Began August 25th and is available most student school days for homework help as needed and social time before an athletic practice or game.
- Available to 7th and 8th grade students at the AACs Lakeside Jr High at NO charge to families.
- Snack is served through AACs Food Services.
- Teacher on site checks in with students about their classwork and homework status.
- Quest Clubs will return beginning October 6th

Celebrate Primary

- Begins September 29th in the Ontario Building.
- Available to current first and second grade students enrolled in the AACs District.
- Provides support in academics, social, emotional, and life skill development.
- Held BEFORE school, Mondays through Fridays from 7 to 8 am, with a different activity each day.
- Held AFTER school, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 3:00 - 5:30 pm in the Ontario Primary Building.
- Snack after school & a dinner meal before departure.
- Transportation home at 5:30 pm is available at No charge.
- This program is funded through local foundation grants. There is No charge to families for this program.

Botany Competition

- Open to all Ashtabula County High Schools to provide a team of up to 5 students
- The Fall Competition is Tree Identification
- The Spring Competition is a Wildflower Identification
- Practice sessions and field guide books are provided before either competition.
- Prizes for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place winners are awarded at a luncheon for all participants in May.

Registration is needed for each program



Applications that are printable (not fillable) for Fall 2026 are posted on our website! Scan the QR Code then Programs in upper box listing, specific program link, then link for Application or Brochure