

AMAYS: Acquainting Metro Atlanta Youth With STEM

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What is AMAYS?

AMAYS is:

- an introduction to ICT professions and relevant 21st century skills.
- a program for After School All Stars students.
- a curriculum that is active, authentic & hands-on.



21st-Century Skills

Foundational Literacies

How students apply core skills to everyday tasks



1. Literacy



2. Numeracy



3. Scientific literacy



4. ICT literacy



5. Financial literacy



6. Cultural and civic literacy

Competencies

How students approach complex challenges



7. Critical thinking/
problem-solving



8. Creativity



9. Communication



10. Collaboration

Character Qualities

How students approach their changing environment



11. Curiosity



12. Initiative



13. Persistence/
grit



14. Adaptability



15. Leadership



16. Social and cultural awareness

Lifelong Learning

Who are After School All Stars?

- ASAS
 - non-profit organization
 - after-school & summer programs
 - 1000+ metro Atlanta children
 - Program model has been developed, tested, implemented, and replicated
 - comprehensive, fun, safe, and aimed at school/life success
- This project
 - 5 middle schools
 - Partnership history

What will students do?



HOW STUFF *WILL* WORK
2015 Middle School WEBChallenge

PROGRAM GUIDE

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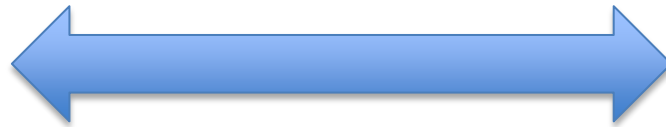
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Where will AMAYS take place?



Year 1: 2015/16

- Collect baseline data (front end analysis)
 - 1 school site
 - 100 student volunteers
 - 20 ASAS teachers
- Design and develop activities
- Plan program structure
- Develop web-based learning environment

Year 2: 2016/17

- Pilot test at 2 school sites
 - 40 student volunteers
 - 1 treatment group of 20 students and one control group of 20 students
- Collect assessment and evaluation data
- Revise curriculum, program and learning environment as necessary and based on findings

Year 3: 2017/18

- Implement AMAYS at 4 school sites
 - 160 of student volunteers
 - 80 treatment and 80 control
- Collect assessment and evaluation data
- Use reports to disseminate findings
- Use reports to apply for scale up

