

# The STEALTH Scoop

See how #AfterschoolWorks in the Wichita Public Schools!

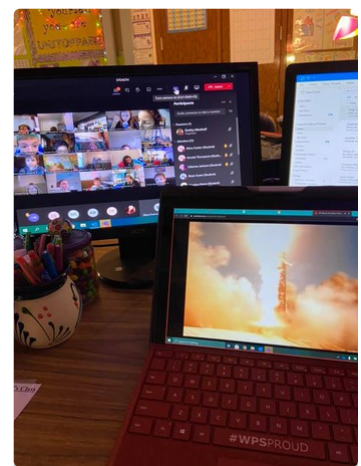


## Virtual Programming Transition

Thank you all for your incredible efforts as we transition STEALTH to a virtual environment. I know this has been a challenge, especially as we also work to transition the school day as well. I'm so proud of the work you are all doing to ensure that students and their families still have access to the essential services and amazing opportunities that afterschool provides.

Marsha at White Elementary shared the PowerPoint below that they use to structure their online program, along with these helpful tips (thank you, Marsha!):

- Make sure that when you create the Team in Teams that you make the staff Owners of the team.
- You will have to add your students and staff manually.
- Turn off the chat feature.
- Create a lobby.
- If you're going to use channels, allow the staff members to create their own channel so that they can set up lobbies as well.
- When creating the meeting, all of your team members will be included in the attendees - you do not need to invite them.



I also wanted to share a couple of resources that you may find helpful in this virtual environment:

- **NASA:** NASA has a collection of at-home STEM activities, sorted by grade level on their website. <https://www.nasa.gov/stem>

- **National Geographic:** NatGeo also has a collection that is specifically curated for students, teachers and families available on their website. There are a variety of activities available for all grade levels. Visit their website here: <https://www.nationalgeographic.org/education/classroom-resources/learn-at-home/>

In addition to these resources - our local program partners have worked very hard to adapt to the remote learning/virtual world with us and are providing a variety of programs. If you're interested in any of these programs, please contact them directly (or ask Kim C. or I to) to inquire about program availability and pricing.

Some organizations (but not all) include:


- **Prime Fit:** Kim & Teon's team provides virtual health & wellness activities and mentorship. If interested, please email [primefittrainer@gmail.com](mailto:primefittrainer@gmail.com). They are very familiar with our program and excited to work with us!
- **Exploration Place:** There are a variety of STEM based activities available for students. Some even include supplies and virtual "debrief sessions" once the experiments are complete. Email Laurel Zhang for more information: [laurel.zhang@exploration.org](mailto:laurel.zhang@exploration.org)
- **Arts Partners:** Students have the opportunity to experience interactive live streaming content where they can learn math through dance, science through music, and civic engagement through visual arts, just to name a few. All programs incorporate social emotional and character development as well as using the arts to teach curriculum subjects. Visit the Arts Partners website to learn more about available programs and book your sessions: <https://artspartnerswichita.org/virtual-programs-2/>

There are **hundreds of resources out there** - and as I discover more, I'll be sure to share. Many of you have already taken advantage of these programs and so many others. If there are any you love - let Jennifer know so that we can share the word with the other site coordinators.

**Thank you once again for your great work!** I could not be more proud of each of you. If you need assistance in ANY WAY - please reach out to me and I'll be happy to help!



Online Program.pptx

 **Download**  
10.1 MB

## In Case You Missed It - STEALTH Snippits

On-Demand Professional Development - STEALTH Snippits  
Scheduling our STEALTH Professional Development has been a challenge this year in particular. To ensure you have the most relevant program updates and professional development from us - we're introducing **STEALTH Snippits**. These videos will be pre-recorded professional development topics for you to watch on-demand at your convenience. They won't be long - they're just meant to provide a "snippit" or snapshot of information that will be helpful to your program. The trainings are geared to site coordinators and principals.



We will still leave the option open to meet live as needed in order to ensure business is taken care of, but this will be a way for us to have some ongoing professional development in the midst of the pandemic.

Our first **STEALTH Snippet** discussing Advisory Boards & Our New Approach to ensuring this grant requirement is met went out on Friday, December 4 - so if you haven't had a chance to check it out yet, please do. Site coordinators and principals should have an email from me (via Smore) with the link.

**Action Items from the first Snippet - due by January 8:**

Please provide the name & email address of:

- One Program Staff Member (besides yourself)
- One Community Partner or Program Parent

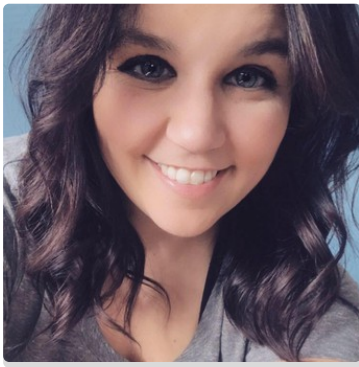
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**Upcoming STEALTH Snippet Schedule:**

- **January 8:** Family Engagement during COVID-19
- **February 5:** Planning for Sustainability
- **March 5:** Evaluations & Survey Expectations
- **April 9:** Planning for 2021-2022 - Things to Consider
- **May :** No recorded session - will plan live session for year end wrap-up and summer plan time information.

Sometime in February - we'll drop a separate "Summer Planning Snippet" for those of you who have summer program. Date & specific content will be shared soon.






## Connect with STEALTH!


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 @WPSSTEALTH

Jennifer Hartman serves as the 21st Century Program Manager in the Wichita Public Schools. Please contact her with any questions, concerns or program inquiries at the contact information provided. Be sure to follow STEALTH on Facebook & Twitter - @WPSSTEALTH!

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## About STEALTH Afterschool

**We love all things science, technology, engineering, arts, leadership, tutoring and health & wellness!**

STEALTH is dedicated to offering academic assistance and enrichment activities in an afterschool setting. Students explore STEM, Fine Arts, Service Learning and Health & Wellness enrichment activities in an engaging environment that gets them excited to learn! STEALTH students improve their math, reading and science skills through structured and engaging grade level tutoring and homework sessions.



STEALTH is funded by the 21st Century Community Learning Center grant. The purpose of these grants are to establish community learning centers that provide students with academic enrichment activities designed to supplement the student's regular classroom academic program during out-of-school hours.