

## Connections to Learning



In Chapter 4, you learned about the variety of programming you can offer in afterschool and expanded learning programs and got some ideas of what types of programs to offer. One of the most important things a program can do is make learning fun and engaging and build academic content into a range of program types.

**Directions:** This tool provides some examples of how you can integrate academic content and connections to various disciplines into several common afterschool and expanded learning programs. These are just suggestions to get your creative juices flowing. Use these or come up with your own. There are many ways to

bring academic content or concepts into fun, engaging afterschool and expanded learning programs.

How Can I Make the Connection to Learning...				
	In Math?	In English Language Arts?	In Science?	In History?
<b>Art projects</b>	Geometry through mosaics	Illustrating stories	Eye science	Art history
<b>Comic book design</b>	Plotting the story on graph paper	Writing text to accompany illustrations	Illustrating a scientific concept	History of comics
<b>Gardening</b>	Planning space for garden	Reading about plant care	How things grow	WWII victory gardens
<b>Cooking</b>	Measuring ingredients	Reading recipes	How ingredients interact	History of certain foods or cultures
<b>Journalism</b>	Calculating subscriptions	Writing stories, editing, reading	Environmental monitor	The history of newspaper
<b>School store</b>	Budgeting	Creating flyers	Selling equipment related to science class	Economic history
<b>Theater</b>	Calculating ticket sales	Reading or writing a script	A play about a famous scientist	Read historical plays
<b>Photography</b>	Shutter speeds	Photojournalism	Film developing	Use of photography during wartime
<b>Baseball</b>	Baseball statistics	Reading stories of famous players	Effect of wind speed on the game	History of the sport