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Youth Bureau Awarded 5-Year Grant to Launch Free After-School Programs

White Plains, NY – October 16, 2017. The City of White Plains Youth Bureau is pleased to announce that it has been awarded a 5-year grant by the New York State Department of Education 21st Century Learning Centers to implement free after-school programs. The White Plains Youth Bureau will launch its 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLCs) at five elementary schools (Church Street School; Ridgeway Elementary; Mamaroneck Avenue School; Post Road School; George Washington Elementary) and two community centers (Slater Community Center and Passage for Excellence) in White Plains. The Youth Bureau’s 21st CCLC program will be called the STEAM Academy (**S**cience, **T**echnology, **E**ngineering, **A**rts, **M**ath) and will focus on providing related academic enrichment to participants to help them develop skills to succeed academically and professionally in the 21st Century.

White Plains Youth Bureau’s 21st CCLC will deliver academic enrichment, youth development and family literacy services to **490 1st-5th-grade students and 140 of their family members**. The program will enroll students referred by each school who meet preset criteria on a first come, first served basis. Program participants will also be provided free transportation home each day.

The Youth Bureau’s 21st CCLCs will operate for 24 weeks (November – June) during the school year and 6 weeks during the summer. The program will operate Monday-Friday, 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. during the academic year; and Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. during the summer.

The Youth Bureau has a number of part-time positions open for teachers and counselors to work in the STEAM Academy. Qualified and interested applicants are encouraged to contact Ms. Gina Covington at 914-422-1378 or gcovington@whiteplainsny.gov as soon as possible.

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