

# CENTER FOR INQUIRY, SCHOOL #70

Center For Inquiry (CFI 70) is a kindergarten through 7th-grade school located in Indianapolis, IN. Their mission is to develop a community of lifelong learners who use inquiry and critical thinking to be socially responsible contributors to a changing global society. Supplementing student class time with diverse and enriching afterschool activities was a focus for school administrators and parents.

## The challenge.

Manage afterschool activities and ensure information reaches parents. At CFI 70, paper flyers were printed and put in student folders on Fridays. This put all of the responsibility for parent communication on the students. Using paper flyers meant that information was slipping through the cracks, afterschool activity registration was suffering, and the management of payments, registration, and attendance was increasingly complicated.

### GOALS

1. Create a simple way for the school Parent Involvement Educator to manage afterschool activities
2. Have a central hub to coordinate with teachers regarding which students need to stay after
3. Make it easy for parents to find and register for activities

During CFI 70's first session with AfterSchool HQ, they went from 50 students participating in afterschool activities to 146 (almost half of the student body.)

Parents, who previously had to pay via cash or check to each provider, were able to register for and pay for all children through one platform. With family accounts, information only needed to be added once for it to be applied to all activities they enrolled in.



AfterSchool HQ has saved me time, I'm spending less effort managing flyers and permission slips. It has also helped make sure that parents can see all the opportunities available, and helps CFI 70 stand out to prospective parents as well.

**Samantha Weinbrecht, Family & Community Coordinator**

## Solutions that help everyone.

AfterSchool HQ saves school administration time related to managing afterschool activities without increasing the costs of providing options. Our free platform allows schools to input activities, work more easily with local partners, and easily facilitate student sign-ups, wait lists, and payments. Creating a streamlined process for listing activities on CFI 70's activity homepage allowed activity providers to integrate themselves more easily than ever.

Parents sometimes choose schools based on the opportunities offered during and after school. By supporting parents' ability to find, register, and pay for afterschool activities, AfterSchool HQ helps ensure that schools are able to offer and fill a variety of afterschool activities for their students.

## Impactful results.

**130%**

Increase in afterschool activity participation

**1400**

Hours of extended learning outside the classroom