Dear Afterschool Lab Report Subscriber,

We hope you are doing well and staying safe during these trying times. As the world fights the COVID-19 pandemic, the afterschool field is an essential part of communities’ response to the coronavirus pandemic. Programs are innovating their services to support youth, families, and communities, pivoting to support for the children of essential workers, provide free meals and nutritional support, offer virtual programming to keep youth active, engaged and learning, and find new ways to stay connected with youth, and to support families with resources on food assistance, unemployment, healthcare, and more.

With the abundance of resources out there on ways to engage students in STEM learning virtually, we pulled together a shortlist of some of our favorite STEM-from-home activities for you to peruse. In addition to the resources on our list, we love this collection of activities and resources from the Exploratorium that focuses on the science behind coronavirus.

As the U.S. government continues to provide guidance and pass legislation to support coronavirus response, the Afterschool Alliance will be updating the Afterschool Snack blog with the latest policy information and resources. We also encourage you to explore a new collection of resources from the Afterschool Alliance that focusses on supporting afterschool practitioners, afterschool programs, and families during this time. Visit our COVID-19 resource pages and join us in our online learning community to talk more!

The Afterschool STEM Hub Team