

The Leadership & Literacy Foundation teams up with AfterSchool Partners!

The Leadership & Literacy Foundation has received two grants to bring the After School Partners curriculum to our Big Sprouts this spring at our Methuen site: we received \$1,500 from General Mills/Yoplait Colombo Yogurt and \$1,000 from Wal-Mart.

After School Partners believes that the after school time can be well spent developing children's decision-making skills and ethical thinking through an engagement with and awareness of local history. Integrating the After School Partners curriculum into existing after school programs adds enrichment, a sense of neighborhood, and a spirit of participating in the life of the community for the children served. Learning to examine their options and consider the consequences of their decisions develops life skills children form the basis for becoming responsible adults. They look at their neighborhood as the result of choices made by others, historically and environmentally.

The Big Sprouts in the program created a poster that appeared in both the Eagle-Tribune and Methuen Life.