

THE MANY BENEFITS OF AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

A 20-year study by UCLA showed that students who attended LA's BEST after school program for three or more years, were 20% less likely to drop out of school¹

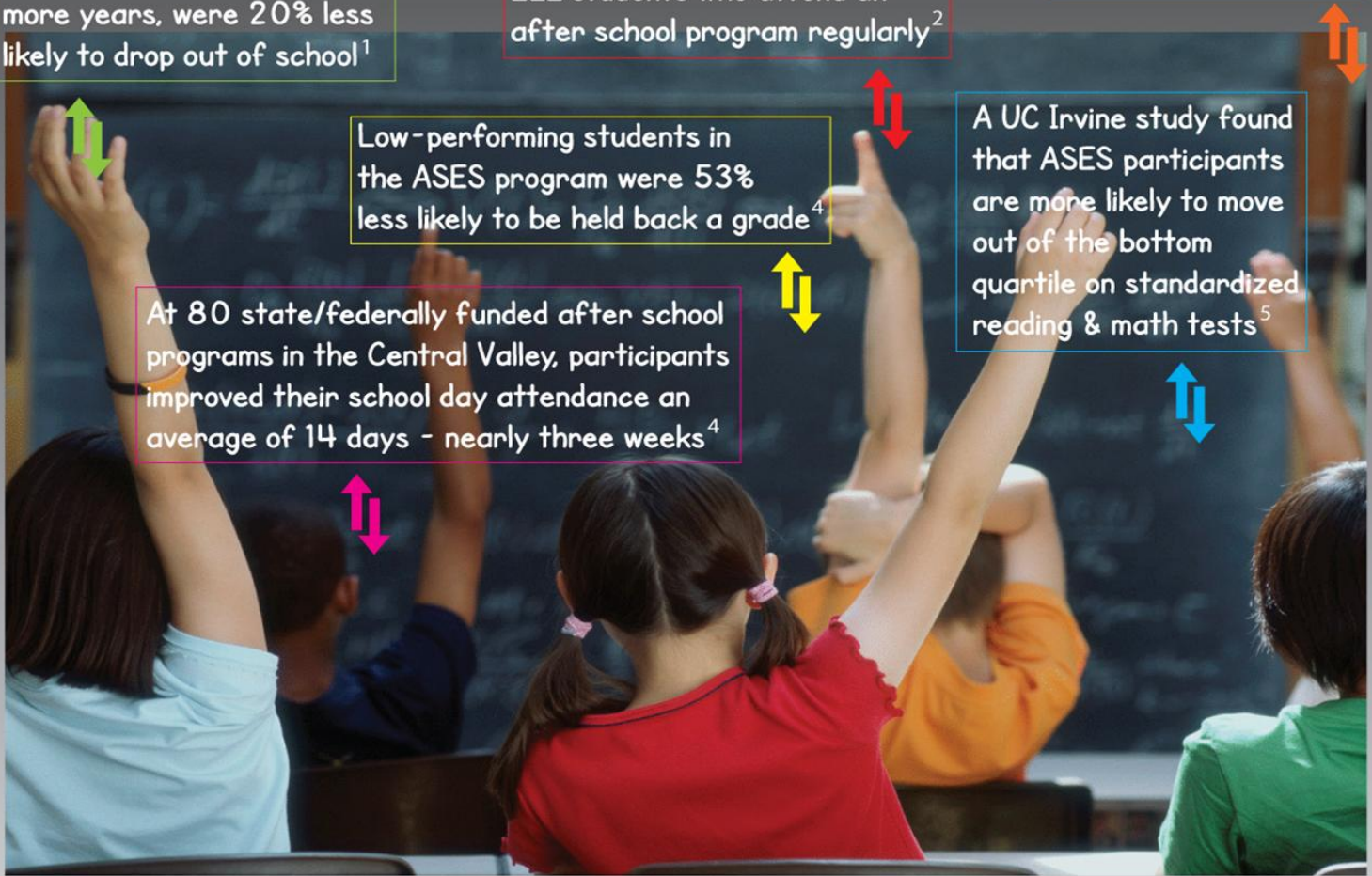
Studies consistently show higher rates of reclassification as English Proficient among ELL students who attend an after school program regularly²

ASES programs serve 400,000 students every school day³

Low-performing students in the ASES program were 53% less likely to be held back a grade⁴

A UC Irvine study found that ASES participants are more likely to move out of the bottom quartile on standardized reading & math tests⁵

At 80 state/federally funded after school programs in the Central Valley, participants improved their school day attendance an average of 14 days - nearly three weeks⁴



the benefits of after school programs aren't confined to the classroom

ECONOMIC BENEFITS

- afterschool programs employ more than 20,000 Californians
- the Rose Institute at Claremont McKenna College found that every \$1 invested in after school programs results in \$9 to \$13 in benefits to taxpayers, participants and crime victims

PUBLIC SAFETY BENEFITS

- after school hours, between 2 pm and 6 pm, are the peak hours on school days for juveniles to commit or be victims of violent crime; keeping them engaged during these hours will reduce the amount of taxpayer dollars spent on juvenile crime in California, which currently stands at \$8.9 billion annually

KIDS' HEALTH BENEFITS

- the prevalence of obesity has been shown to be significantly lower for after school program participants - 21% - compared to those who did not participate - 33%
- A World Fit for Kids! 5th grade participants in LA were nearly twice as likely to meet CA's Fitnessgram standards - 70% vs. 40%

(1: UCLA/CRESST; 2: After School Alliance; 3: California Afterschool Advocacy Alliance; 4: UC Davis/CA AfterSchool Network; 5: UC Irvine)