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Five questions with Jace Ransom

Jace is school age youth manager in the Office of Community Services.

1. What was your path to your current role at DHS?

I started working under CYF as the community outreach specialist in 2016.

2. How does your team support DHS/the community?

We are responsible for supporting and monitoring 26 after school providers at 75 locations. Most of our support is done through monitoring visits that provide an opportunity to touch base with each partner and collect and share information as it relates to the quality and safety of the programming being offered to our youth.

3. Why do you think your team's work is important?

We desire to support our providers in facilitating quality programming that empowers our youth to become the best they can be. The programming is very diverse and meets the critical need of providing a safe, nurturing environment during the time gap between after school and early evening.

4. What current project or initiative most excites you and why?

I transitioned into this role in June, so I am still learning what all our providers do as it relates to programming. I am excited about learning more and seeing how we can best support them.

5. What is most important thing DHS staff should know about your team?

They are committed to supporting our partners in providing the best quality programs for our youth in the many communities they serve. Our monitors have over 40 years combined experience and expertise in supporting partners.

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