

Jennifer Peck | Catalyst, Advocate, Bridge-BUILDER, Policy and Systems Influencer, Youth Development Champion

Jennifer is a nationally recognized leader in the Out-of-School-Time field, having played an instrumental role in advancing awareness, innovation and investment in afterschool and summer learning programs across the country over the past three decades.

Most recently, Jennifer served as Executive Director of the Partnership for Children and Youth which she founded and led for nearly 25 years. The Partnership focuses on expanding access to quality Out-of-School Time learning opportunities for students pre-k through 12th grade in the state of California. During her tenure, Jennifer and her team led the charge on building public systems and investments totaling more than \$3 billion annually that support afterschool and summer learning programs for millions of underserved students.

Jennifer led the creation of multiple ground-breaking efforts that became national models including the California Afterschool Advocacy Alliance, the state Legislative Task Force on Summer Enrichment, the Summer Matters Campaign, the California Community Schools Network, and the Expanded Learning 360-365 initiative (aligning school-day, afterschool and summer Social and Emotional Learning).

Jennifer is well known for her skill and focus on building strategic partnerships and alliances across sectors and interests in order to achieve meaningful and sustainable change on behalf of kids. Her journey and achievements were documented and featured in a 2022 [brief](#) by the Wallace Foundation as a learning tool for leaders in other states and communities.

Jennifer is also a longtime member and now advisor with [Every Hour Counts](#), a national network of Out-of-School Time system leaders across the country who are influencing practice and policy at the local, state and federal levels.

Prior to joining the Partnership, Jennifer was an appointee of President Bill Clinton at the U.S. Department of Education, where she supported implementation of numerous initiatives including student loan reform, School-to-Work, and 21st Century Community Learning Centers.

Jennifer has a B.A. in Sociology and Women's Studies from Colgate University and is the proud mother of Emilia who attends San Diego State University. Her husband Jonathan Raymond is a recovering school superintendent who currently leads policy and systems change at City Year.