

Join Boston After School & Beyond's Certified Observer Network!

All BASB program partners are encouraged to join the Certified Observer Network to administer third-party observations to other programs. With a BASB Observer Certification, individuals can:



Confidently observe and assess your own program using a research-validated tool to continuously improve quality.



See educational best practices in action throughout Boston, and learn directly from peers in the field.



Join over 50 individuals from Boston's diverse youth program community, with opportunities to network.



Joining the Certified Observer Network is a 4-Step Process:

Step 1: Attend an in-person orientation learn about observing with the APT¹.

Step 2: Practice using the APT in the field with a small group of fellow future Certified Observers. Debrief the experience with the group.

Step 3: Visit and observe a youth program in tandem with a Master Observer to establish inter-rater reliability.

Step 4: Visit and observe one or more youth programs on your own!

Together, these steps require about 2.5 days of time over the course of the fall semester.

There are 4 opportunities to become certified this school year: September, January, March, and May

To learn more or sign up for a training, contact Kelsey Cowen: kcowen@bostonbeyond.org