How Education Decision-Makers Are Maximizing Summer to Accelerate Learning Recovery

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STATE SUMMER LEARNING NETWORK (SSLN)







SNAPSHOT OF THE TWO-YEAR EFFORT

Goal: Advance high-quality summer learning in 2021 and 2022 to support SEA/LEA strategies around equity, recovery of student learning loss and student well-being

Design:

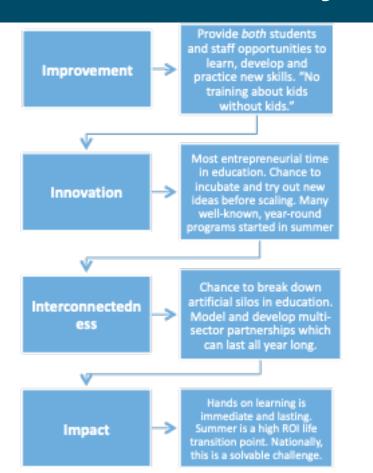
- Network: 8 states receive tailored support &deeper level TA (AZ, MI, NJ, OH, OR, TN, UT, VA)
- Universal assistance: PLC to all states to share resources, information, and guidance

Support Strategies:

- Disseminate knowledge about what's known about effective summer learning programs
- Identify and disseminate model policies that provide states with key policy, funding and regulatory conditions that support successful summer ecosystems
- Create a system for state peer-sharing and learning



Start with "The Why?" NSLA's 4 I's of Summer





Broad Distinctions Between Summer School vs. Summer Learning

Summer School	Summer Learning
•Remedial Education	New and Accelerated Learning
•Punitive and Boring	•Exciting, Engaging, Experiential
•School building based	•Variety of Settings
•Academic only focus	•Combines Academics, Health, Enrichment, SEL
•Mandatory only for some students	•Voluntary and Open to all
•Adults decide all	Student Voice, Choice, and Leadership
•Feels no different than school	•Unique and Special Experience & Culture
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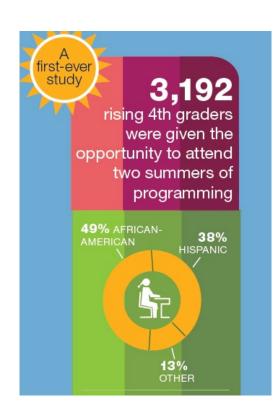
COVID-19's Devastating Impact on Learning Loss

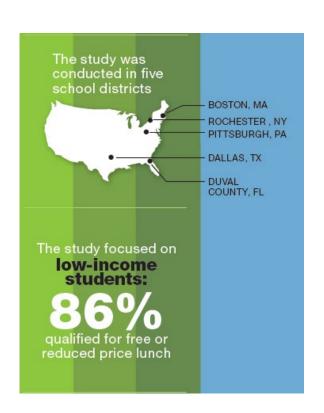
- Children fell far behind in school during the first year of the pandemic and have not caught up
- Math and reading levels were all lower than normal
- Shortfalls were largest for Black and Hispanic students and students in schools with high poverty rates

Source: NWEA



We Know What Works: High-Quality Programs





Elements of SuccessRAND Research Study

Meet ESSA Tier 1 standards

5 week minimum

School-based

Academics + enrichment + SEL

SUMMER LEARNING SYSTEM BUILDING

NSLA's *Community Indicators of Effective Summer Learning Systems* identifies six key domains for summer system building:

- 1. Shared Vision and Citywide Coordination
- 2. Engaged Leadership
- 3. Data Management System
- 4. Continuous Quality Improvement
- 5. Sustainable Resources
- 6. Marketing and Communications



NSLA Signature Events, Services and Cohorts



Join an NSLA <u>Professional Summer</u> <u>Learning Community</u>

Tap NSLA's <u>Training and Support</u>
Attend a weekly <u>"Voices of Summer"</u> Webinar Series

Summer Planning Bootcamp March 30 -31, 2022
www.summerlearning.org/summer -bootcamp



Summer Learning Week July 11-15, 2022



Summer Changes Everything National Conference

October 24 -26, 2022



Questions & Discussion

Upcoming GLR Learning and Engagement Opportunities:

MORE THAN MONEY PHILANTHROPY WORKSHOP/FUNDER TO FUNDER CONVERSATION

The Path Forward: A Model for Effective Philanthropy Tuesday, March 15, 12:30-2:00 p.m. ET/9:30-11:00 a.m. PT

LEARNING LOSS RECOVERY CHALLENGE

One State's Big Bet on Community Schools: A Follow-on Conversation Tuesday, March 15, 3–4:30 p.m. ET/12–1:30 p.m. PT

HOUSING AS A PLATFORM SERIES

Supporting Young Learners at Home and at School with Boston Housing Authority Wednesday, March 16, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. ET/11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. PT

LEARNING LOSS RECOVERY CHALLENGE

Moving Towards Relationships-Centered Schools Tuesday, March 22, 3–4:30 p.m. ET/12–1:30 p.m. PT

Please Join Us!



