

A photograph of four diverse children of various ethnicities smiling and laughing outdoors. The children are of different ages and are dressed in casual summer clothing. The background is a soft-focus green, suggesting a park or garden setting. The overall mood is joyful and positive.

the
forum
FOR YOUTH INVESTMENT

Advancing Equity Through Summer and School-Year Partnerships

June 10, 2020

Logistics for today's conversation

- Please feel free to submit questions and comments via this webinar application, using the chat feature.
- Today's session is being recorded and will be made available to you early next week.

Today's Presenters



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NSLA's MISSION AND VISION



Ensure every child, regardless of background and zip code, learns and thrives every summer.

OUR WORK AIMS TO:

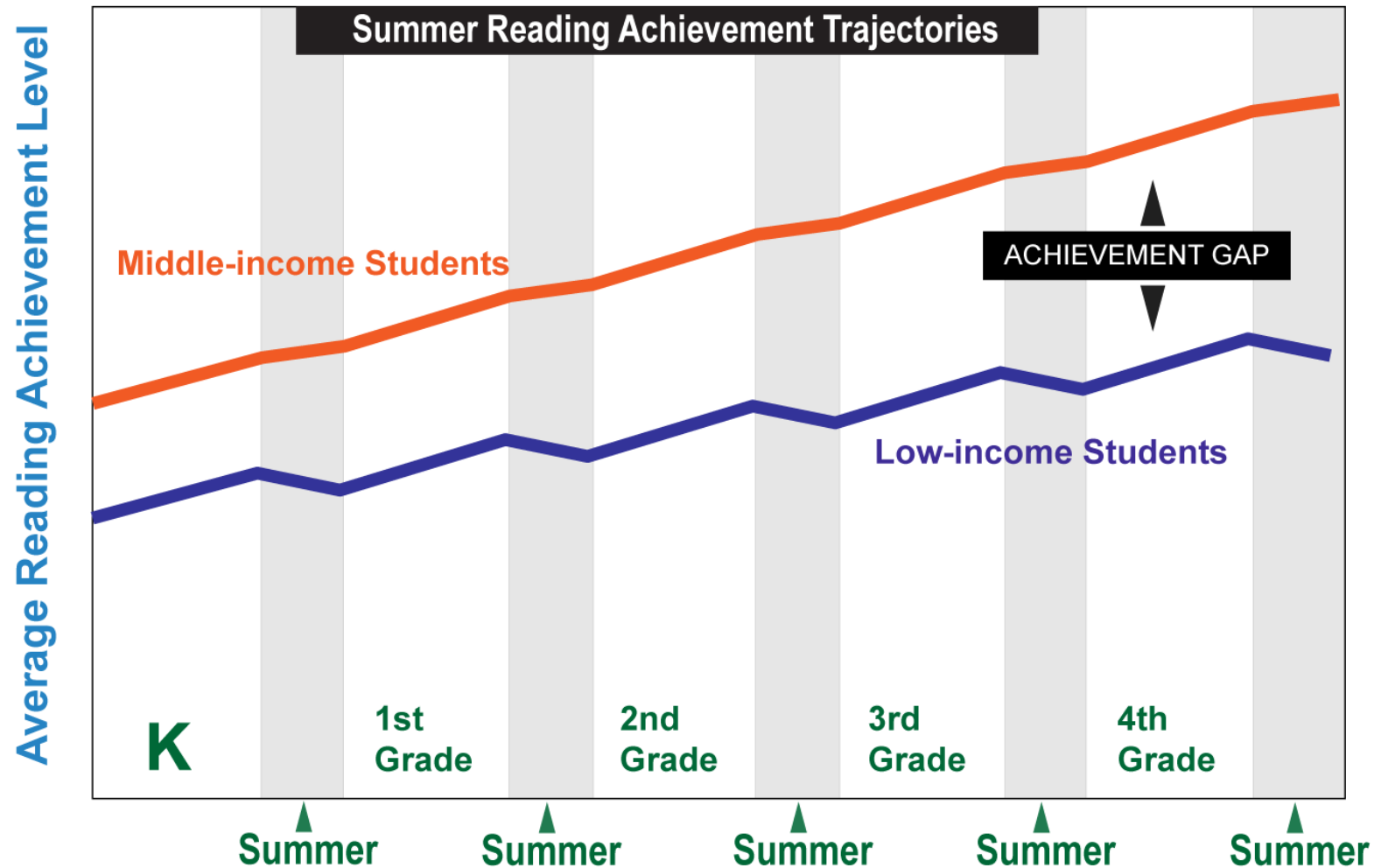
- Improve the lives of America's most vulnerable students
- Combat summer learning loss
- Close the achievement and opportunity gaps which grow over the summer months

SUMMER CAN BE THE MOST CHALLENGING TIME FOR KIDS



- Covid 19 Trauma
- Physical and Emotional Safety
- Hunger and Food Insecurity
- Nature Deficit Disorder
- Lack of Physical Activity
- Learning Loss
- No Healthcare
- No Jobs or Internships
- Less support for Some Students

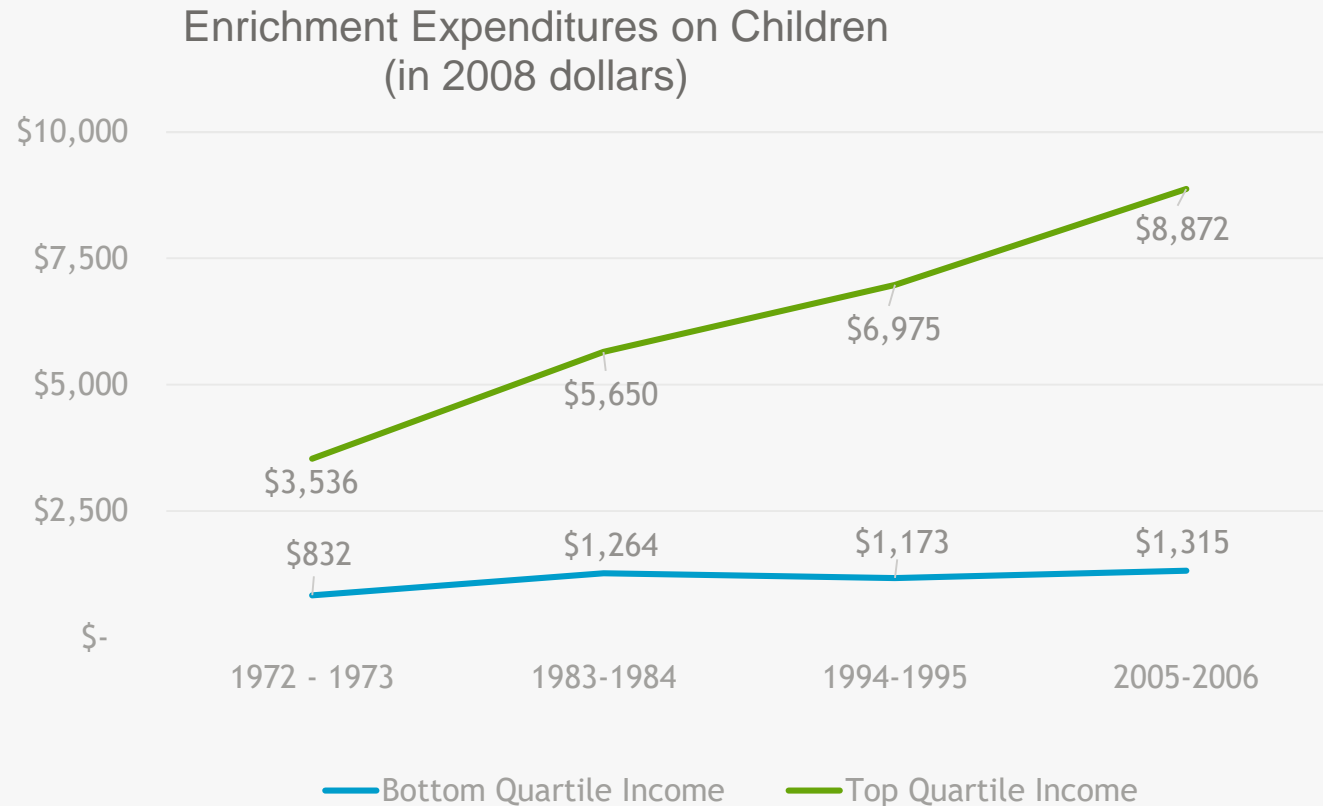
SUMMER LEARNING LOSS: THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP



Source: Adapted from Borman, G.D. (2000). The effects of summer school: Questions answered, questions raised. *Monographs of the Society for Research in Child Development*, 65 (1, Serial N. 260).



AMERICA'S GROWING OPPORTUNITY GAP



Contributing to the deepening opportunity gap is the difference in spending on educationally enriching activities (e.g. afterschool and summer programs, travel, cultural outings, SAT prep, internships, college visits) among wealthy and low-income families.

Source: Duncan, G. and Murnane, R. eds. *Whither Opportunity* (2011)



OR SUMMER CAN BE A LIFE-CHANGING TIME

Time for Improvement

Summer learning is for students and adults.

Time for Innovation

Empower staff to try out and measure new ideas, solutions, strategies before scaling

Time for Integration

Break down artificial silos in education and partner leaders and organizations in new ways

Time for Impact

Experiential learning is immediate, and lasting. Set up success for school. A Solvable challenge.



RIGHT NOW IS OUR TIME TO BE

Deeply Empathetic

- we're all in the same boat

Hyper Creative

- SYEP Charlotte, NC

Hyper Collaborative

- Teachers in the Parks, PA

Hi-Tech and Low Tech

- Engaging Creative Minds, SC

Relationship and Trust-based

-DREAM, NYC



"Parents will love this book!"

- Liz McChesney

HOW TO KEEP
YOUR KIDS LEARNING

WHEN SCHOOLS ARE *CLOSED*

TIPS, TOOLS & ACTIVITIES TO HELP PARENTS
DISCOVER THE POWER OF SUMMER LEARNING
DURING THE ERA OF COVID-19

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WHEN SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED – 9 PRINCIPLES

- **PRINCIPLE #1: Summer Learning Is Not Summer School**
- **PRINCIPLE #2: Nurture Your “Whole Child”**
- **PRINCIPLE #3: Make Learning Child-Centered and Child-Driven**
- **PRINCIPLE #4: Approach Planning With Wisdom And Love**
- **PRINCIPLE #5: Embrace Structure and Routine**
- **PRINCIPLE #6: Let Math and Science Amaze, Let History Inspire – and Read**
- **PRINCIPLE #7: Help Them Eat and Help Them Sleep**
- **PRINCIPLE #8: Remember Their Social and Emotional Needs**
- **PRINCIPLE #9: And Finally, Parents, Take Time For Yourselfes**



SUMMER STRIDE



Summertime means longer days and sun, making it the perfect time for learning fun! Start by finding out where your child is doing well and where they may need more help.

Go to belearninghero.org for the Readiness Check, a new (free) digital summer learning tool, and more!

Here's a plan to help your child this summer.

Know before you go.

Before school lets out, ask the teacher where your child is doing well, where more support may be needed and what you can do over the summer to set them up for success in the next grade.

Get a gut check.

Take a few minutes to do the Readiness Check and get free videos, games, and more to support math and reading! It shows how your child has learned foundational skills needed for the next grade.

Strengthen life skills.

Support real-world skills that help your child in and out of school. Whether it's on the playground or at home, show your child how to problem solve, learn from mistakes, and how to communicate well with others, especially in tough situations.

Let them show what they know!

Make learning fun by exploring your child's interests. As they read and play, ask them to teach you what they're learning. This helps them review important skills and build confidence!

Discover the fun (and free) in your community.

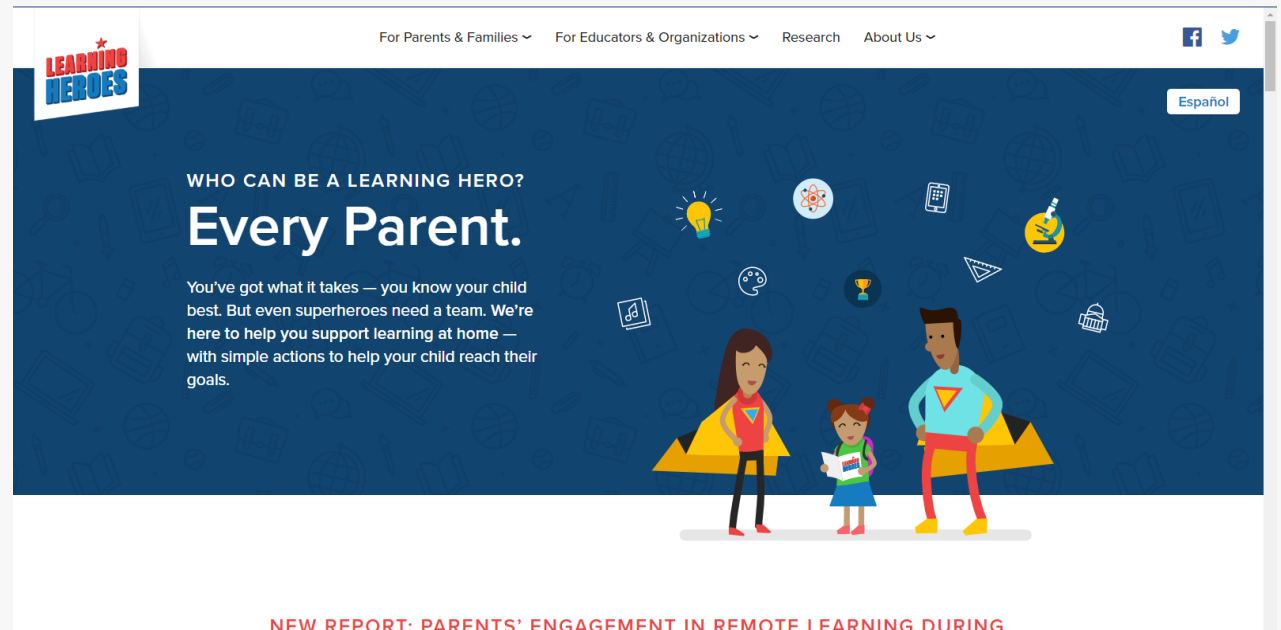
There are places and spaces to learn all around you! Check out library programs, zoos, parks, or museums to explore new interests. Talk about what you want to learn and what you enjoyed during your visit.

Set your child up for success!

When math and reading skills aren't practiced over the summer, kids can lose 2 to 3 months of progress. This is what's known as the summer slide.

Join the National Summer Learning Week celebration July 8th-13th with the hashtag

#SummerLearningWeek



NEW REPORT: PARENTS' ENGAGEMENT IN REMOTE LEARNING DURING



5 THINGS PARENTS AND KIDS CAN DO THIS SUMMER



Focus on:

1. Getting Healthy
 - NBA at Home, Laureus Foundation
2. Improving in one key academic area
 - Khan Academy, ACT, NASA
3. Gaining a new career skill
 - LinkedIn Learning, Apple, SoNYT
4. Find or Be a Mentor
 - Mentoring.org, I-Mentor
5. Serve others
 - Youth Service America, DoSomething



PARENT RESOURCES

- *NSLA Voices of Summer Webinars* www.summerlearning.org/webinars/
- *When Schools Are Closed:* <https://www.amazon.com/Keep-Your-Learning-Schools-Closed-ebook/dp/B088ZWSG6Y>
- Learning Heroes: <https://bealearninghero.org/>
- Scholastic: <https://www.scholastic.com/parents/home.html>
- National PTA: <https://www.pta.org/home/family-resources/coronavirus-information>
- Understood.org: <https://www.understood.org/en/school-learning/coronavirus-latest-updates>

NATIONAL SUMMER LEARNING WEEK JULY 6-12



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JULY 6-11, 2020

National Summer Learning Week is a national advocacy day aimed at elevating the importance of keeping kids learning, safe and healthy every summer - all so students return to school ready to soar!

www.summerlearning.org/summer-learning-week



Today's Goals

- 1 Acknowledge the importance of summer and school-year collaboration for equity.
- 2 Create space for sharing of success stories and challenges.
- 3 Share resources to support all children's physical and social-emotional health.
- 4 Connect and learn together.

Workshop Format

- 1 We'll pose 4 discussion questions
- 2 Please use the chat box
- 3 We can pass the mic
- 4 Links/resources will be shared in follow up

Discussion Question 1:

In your community, how are summer programs/OST and schools collaborating?

How are these partnerships happening?

Discussion Question 2:

How can summer and school-year collaboration support the physical and social-emotional health of all students, especially children experiencing trauma?

Discussion Question 3:

How can partnerships help all children get ready for the school-year?

How can collaboration help students develop essential workforce skills this summer?

Discussion Question 4:

What resources are working to help give young people a voice?

How can collaboration help students take action?