Harnessing the Power of Summer for America’s Young People

**WHEN:** Tuesday, March 24, 2020 | 8:00 am Breakfast – 10:30 am

**WHAT:** High-quality summer and afterschool programs can change the trajectory of a young person’s life. As 2020 presidential candidates shape their education agendas and many working families across America confront the realities of a summer childcare crisis, leaders will come together to discuss the state of summertime experiences in America, along with investments and policies critical to improving conditions for children and families during the summer months.

**WHO:** Karl Alexander, PhD, Johns Hopkins University, John Dewey Professor of Sociology Emeritus, Academy Professor, nationally renowned researcher and sociologist who coined the term “summer slide.” Panelists include leading experts from: Afterschool Alliance; American Camp Association; Clear Channel Outdoor; Learning Heroes; National League of Cities; The Fresh Air Fund; The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine; and The School of the New York Times.

**WHERE:** The National Press Club | Washington, DC
529 14th Street, 13th Floor, Room: 4th Estate, Washington, DC 20045
Hosted by the National Summer Learning Association

Audience members will hear from national experts who will:

- Share cross-sector findings from the recent National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine report: *Summertime Experiences: Opportunities to Promote Healthy Development and Well-Being for Children and Youth*.
- Offer education story ideas for journalists heading into the summer season
- Provide a snapshot of funding and policy implications for summer and afterschool programs
- Equip reporters with tips for families to make the most of summer

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