

SUMMER

POLICY & PRACTICE FORUM
WASHINGTON, DC • NOVEMBER 9-11



national summer
learning association



PARTNER PROSPECTUS

Join us for the premier national convening of cross sector leaders focused on ensuring Summer For All.



BUILD STRONGER
COMMUNITIES



DRIVE BOLD
SOLUTIONS



CREATE LASTING
IMPACT



SHAPE THE FUTURE
TOGETHER

About NSLA's Summer Policy & Practice Forum

The National Summer Learning Association will host the Summer Policy & Practice Forum, November 9th through 11th in Washington, DC to turn bold goals for young people into big bets—and build the partnerships to make them real.

ENGAGE WITH LEADERS FROM



Youth Development, Community Based Organizations & Non-Profits



Summer Youth Employment and Internships



K-12 & Higher Education- Public, Private, Parochial, Charter Schools



Intermediaries & Associations



Workforce & Enterprise Learning



Philanthropy



Parks, Libraries, Museums, Public Housing



Local, State, & Federal Policymakers



Camps & Outdoor Education



Business & Corporate Social Responsibility

PARTICIPANTS WILL ARRIVE WITH DIFFERENT GOALS, PERSPECTIVES, AND CAPABILITIES. THEY WILL LEAVE WITH A SHARED READINESS TO CLOSE AMERICA'S SUMMER OPPORTUNITY GAP.

Some will bring a bet they are ready to strengthen.
Some will build a bet from an emerging idea or persistent challenge.
Others will bolster an existing bet by contributing policy authority, funding, evidence, talent, facilities, technology, or reach.



Why Now?

THE MOMENT IS CRITICAL.

Young people face unprecedented challenges and the decisions we make today will shape their tomorrow. The summer months can be either the most dangerous or most impactful time of year for kids. It is our choice.



BUDGET PRESSURES

Public resources are stretched thin, even as demand for out-of-school time programs, mental health supports, and academic recovery continues to grow.



YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH

Young people are facing a mental health crisis. Safe, supportive summer programs are a critical part of the solution.



FEDERAL & STATE POLICY SHIFTS

Administration priorities and state initiatives will shape funding, access, and accountability for youth programs.



HISTORIC FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

From federal tax education credits to the Summer for All Act and social media settlements, new investments are on the table.



WORKFORCE & ECONOMIC FUTURE

Employers need skilled, work-ready talent. Summer experiences build the competencies and confidence today's economy demands.



Summer is the highest-need and highest-impact time of year.

THE OPPORTUNITY GAP



55%

of K-12 students are engaged in structured summer learning (about 30 million students).



67%

of higher-income youth participate in structured summer programs."



38%

of lower-income youth participate in structured summer programs."

With the right policies and partnerships, we can close opportunity gaps, strengthen communities, and help every young person thrive.

With bold action and cross-sector collaboration, we can ensure every child has access to a high-quality summer—every year.

The Forum will focus on debriefing and evaluating the impact and opportunities ahead for youth development from:

- The national midterm elections
- The federal tax ed credits and state initiatives
- The social media litigation investments
- Emerging funding opportunities that could reshape youth development, including the \$4B Summer For All Act

Less Conference. More Collaboration.

This is where leaders come together to solve problems, spark ideas, and drive real change.

Our dynamic format is designed to foster meaningful dialogue, strategic partnerships, and collective action.



A FORMAT BUILT FOR IMPACT



BOLD BETS PLENARY

National leaders set the agenda and inspire action with big ideas and bold commitments.



SOLUTION SALONS

Small-group strategy sessions that dive deep into solutions and spark innovation.



POWERFUL CONNECTIONS

Intentional networking that builds relationships and strengthens partnerships.



JEFFERSONIAN DINNERS

An iconic evening of conversation, reflection, and connection in the heart of Washington, DC.



High-impact keynotes and panels exploring the most pressing opportunities and challenges facing youth.



Interactive conversations focused on actionable ideas, shared learning, and cross-sector problem solving.



Dedicated time and space to meet new partners, reconnect with colleagues, and expand your network.



A memorable experience with distinguished guests in a historic setting that inspires dialogue and ideas.

MORE THAN A CONFERENCE A CATALYST FOR LASTING IMPACT.

The Summer Policy & Practice Forum is designed for leaders who are ready to collaborate, innovate, and invest in solutions that create brighter summers and futures for young people.



Sponsorship Opportunities

Your support helps drive solutions, spark innovation, and create brighter futures.



LEGACY \$50,000

Choice of one:

1. Presenting Sponsor:
Opening Night Plenary
featuring Dr. Rajiv J. Shah
| Rockefeller Foundation,
author of Big Bets: How
Large-Scale Change
Really Happens
2. Presenting Sponsor:
Breakfast Plenary
featuring post-election
briefing with
policymakers
3. Presenting Sponsor:
Tuesday Luncheon
Plenary featuring Dr.
Deborah Kenny | Harlem
Village Academies &
Deeper Learning Institute,
author of The Well-
Educated Child
4. Presenting Sponsor to
Closing Plenary

VISIONARY \$35,000

Choice of one:

1. Presenting Sponsor of
the Big Bets for
Summer Stage: Live,
Recorded &
Distributed
2. Presenting Sponsor of
the Funder's
Reception
3. Presenting Sponsor of
Jeffersonian Welcome
Dinner

ADVOCATE \$15,000

Choice of one:

1. Presenting Sponsor of
two Solution Salons
2. Presenting Sponsor of
an interactive
Networking Activity:
Trivia Night,
Mahjong/Card Games,
Tequila Tasting, Guitar
Sing-Along, Group
Service Project Team
Activity (Kid Kits/Bike
Building), Cookie
Decorating, Paint & Sip,
Power Walks in the Parks,
and Wellness Activities
(Tai Chi, Gym Time, Yoga)
3. Presenting Sponsor of a
Forum Space:
Hydration Station /
Charging Station /
Relaxing Station with
Massage Chairs

	LEGACY \$50,000	VISIONARY \$35,000	ADVOCATE \$15,000
Special Invitation to Summer Leadership Dinner (Tues)	Table of 10	Half Table	Three Seats
Speaking Opportunity on either Mainstage or Big Bets for Summer Stage	X	X	
Private Meeting Space at Omni Shoreham	X	X	
NSLA Annual Organizational Membership for one year	X	X	X
Distribute Premiums to Attendees	X	X	X
Sponsor of either: Forum App / Lanyards / Forum Wi-Fi	X		
Solutions Partner 6 FT Table-Top (optional)	X	X	X
Logo placement on event signage / digital materials	X	X	X
Number of Forum Passes	10	5	3

Pure Underwriting Opportunities

Your 100% tax-deductible contribution of pure underwriting would help NSLA cover things like travel and stipends for Youth Ambassadors, Award Winners and other hard costs related to Forum participation. Any amount is welcome and deeply appreciated.



Join Us

How can your organization help create a Summer for All?

NSLA invites you to be part of this uniquely diverse gathering focused on one shared goal:

To create greater opportunity and brighter futures for young people.

CHOOSE YOUR PACKAGE

Changemakers Group Package \$10,000

Includes 8 paid registrations+ 2 free registrations, private space for group to convcate at Forum, two NSLA Memberships, invitation to Funders Reception, and group listing on Forum materials (Group food & beverage & A/V may be purchased separately)

Solutions Partner (Exhibitor) \$5,000

Includes two registrations, 6 foot exhibit table, option to distribute printed & digital materials to attendees, and sponsor recognition with logo, plus contact information of attendees

Summer Learning Champion \$3,500

Exclusively for non-profit CEO's. Includes two registrations, invitation to Funders Reception, two individual NSLA Memberships, option to distribute digital materials to attendees, and sponsor recognition with logo



The Omni Shoreham Hotel is a historic 4-star resort and convention property located at 2500 Calvert Street NW, Washington, DC 20008, sitting on 11 acres overlooking Rock Creek Park.

[Book Hotel Here](#)



Schedule Overview

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

GRAND WELCOME
3:00 - 4:30 PM

OPENING PLENARY | THE BIG BET FOR SUMMER WITH DR. RAJ SHAH
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

JEFFERSONIAN DINNER
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

AFTER-DINNER FUN ACTIVITIES
8:30 PM - 10:00 PM

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

WELLNESS ACTIVITIES
7:00 AM - 8:00 AM

NETWORKING BREAKFAST
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

PLENARY
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

SUMMER SOLUTIONS SALONS
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

PLENARY LUNCHEON | DR. DEBORAH KENNY
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

SUMMER SOLUTIONS SALONS & BIG BETS STAGE
1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

NETWORKING ACTIVITIES
3:30 PM - 5:00 PM

PLENARY DINNER
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

AFTER-DINNER FUN ACTIVITIES
8:30 PM - 10:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

WELLNESS ACTIVITIES
7:00 AM - 8:00 AM

BREAKFAST & PLENARY
8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITY MEETUPS
10:30 - 12:00 PM



Please note, schedule is subject to change, please refer to summerlearning.org to view the latest schedule



DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVES. COMMON PURPOSE. STRONGER SOLUTIONS.

Attendees come to gain knowledge, build partnerships, influence policy, and champion investments that ensure all young people have access to high-quality summer learning and youth development opportunities.

Ready to Join Us?



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The National Summer Learning Association (NSLA) works to ensure all of America's students, regardless of background, income, or zip code, can access and benefit from a high-quality summer learning experience every year.

NSLA supports, trains and collaborates with a broad and ever-growing network of 35,000+ leaders representing school districts, youth serving government agencies, non-profit organizations and corporate partners all focused on improving the lives of young people and their families.

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