

2026 SUMMER STARTS IN SEPTEMBER WEBINAR RESOURCES

WELCOME AND STATE OF SUMMER UPDATE



Aaron P. Dworkin
CEO,
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NSLA

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KEYNOTE



Keynote Speaker
Lisa Lawson,
Author of *THRIVE* and CEO of
Annie E. Casey Foundation

Lisa Lawson, Annie E Casey Foundation

- [Kids Count Data Center](#)
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Youth Ambassador: GG Peterson, Camp Jamison

- [Camp Jamison Reflections](#)

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CAREER CONNECTED LEARNING: PLANNING NOW FOR STRONGER, MORE INTENTIONAL SUMMER WORKFORCE EXPERIENCES



Dawn Hill
PLC Leader,
Youth Workforce Development &
Internships



Coy Bowles
Author, Musician, & Founder,
C2YC and COYCO



Dr. BJ Paige
Workforce Development,
Executive Leader

Join NSLA's PLC: Youth Workforce Development & Internships

Coy Bowles

- Coy's Free Resources
- Connect 2 Your Calling Program

Dr. BJ Paige

- Website
- Instagram
- Finding Your N.E.M.O.

Green Circle Fundraising, Emily Ausbrook

- Intro Video
- The Green Circle Fundraising Model PDF

EXCELLENCE IN SUMMER LEARNING AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to the Award Winners:

- Bayview Foundation, Bayview Summer Programming, Madison, WI
- Branches, Summer Shade Camp, Miami, FL
- San Francisco Public Library, Summer Stride, San Francisco, CA
- Seattle Public Schools, Summer Quarter, Seattle, WA
- **See all Past Winners**
- **Learn about the Summer Excellence Award and How To Apply**

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SERVING MORE YOUTH THROUGH POWERFUL PARTNERSHIPS: PUBLIC HOUSING, SCHOOLS AND PROGRAMS



Emily Samose
PLC Leader,
Public and Affordable
Housing



Pamela Owunta
Atlanta Housing Authority



Kate Glover
Lavinia Group



Ben Welbourn
Assembly by Schola

Join NSLA's PLC: Public & Affordable Housing

Atlanta Housing Authority

- website

Lavinia Group

- Summer RISE Flyer
- Summer Planning Roadmap.

Assembly by Schola in partnership with NSLA

- Increase visibility and registrations! List your Summer Program on NSLA's www.discoversummer.org
- Add "Register now" to your Summer Program

ARTS IN EDUCATION: BRINGING BROADWAY, AUTHORS & IMPROV TO YOUR PROGRAMS



Robin Berlinsky
PLC Leader,
Arts in Education



Julia Gabor
Founder,
kid-grit



Marcela Correa
VP of Global Strategies,
First Book



Susan Lee
Founder,
Broadway Education Alliance

Join NSLA's PLC: Arts Education

kid-grit

- Connection Collection, 111 Ways to Show Kids You Care

First Book

- Register for Free with First Book
- Come Join Us For Story Showdown!
- The Power of Storytelling: a Five-Part Course for Educators

Broadway Education Alliance

- website
- Camp Broadway

Learn Fresh

- Resource Guide

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMER LEARNING COMMUNITIES



Mashona Council
School District Leaders



Elizabeth McChesney
Libraries & Literacy



Emily Samose
Public & Affordable Housing



Esteban Olivares
*University Partnerships:
Summer On-Campus Impact*



Sterling Nell Leija
*Special Populations, Camps,
& Outdoor Programs*



Jake Weinfeld
STEM & Medicine



Dawn Hill
Youth Workforce Development & Internships



Karen McCann McClelland
Independent, Parochial & Charter Schools



Robin Berlinsky
Arts Education



Christina Russell
*Research, Evidence & Practice
Presented by Foundry 10*



Sarah Landy
*Early Learning Education
Presented by Waterford.org*



Brodrick Clarke
Training & Program Development

Click Below To Join A Professional Summer Learning Community

- School District Leaders **presented by Lavinia Group**
- Libraries & Literacy
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Additional Summer Learning Resources

NSLA

- Register for [The Summer Policy & Practice Forum](#)
- For Community Landscape Reports, contact info@summerlearning.org
- [Learn more about NSLA Training & Support from Brodrick Clarke](#)
- Order copies of [NSLA's Destination Summer Learning Guide](#),
- [Keynoting and Training Quotes](#) contact Natalia Sol, nsol@summerlearning.org
- [Join a Professional Learning Community](#) (PLC)
- Become a [Summer Insider](#) with **NSLA's Annual Membership**

The Wallace Foundation

- [The Afterschool Alliance's 5th edition of America After 3PM](#): Special report offers an in-depth view of parents' priorities for their children's summers.
- [What Can a Summer Learning Program Look Like?](#) Over 100 districts nationwide are crafting unique summer learning programs that keep students engaged

Agilities™ by The DeBruce Foundation

Free, ready-to-use activities help young people recognize their strengths, explore career possibilities, and connect what they enjoy doing to skills used in the world of work. Summer program staff can get access to all resources for elementary, middle, or high school students at no cost.

- [Agilities K-12 Resources](#) — Lesson plans, videos, activities, and guides for getting started.
- [Explore Agilities Lesson Plans](#) — Find activities by grade level and lesson length.
- [Agile Work Profiler™](#) — A free, 15-minute activity for students ages 13 and older to explore their strengths and interests.

BriteBound

- [website](#)

Charity Buzz (online auctions)

- [Presentation Deck](#)

Hey Tutor

- [Math Growth Across K-12 Through Targeted Academic Growth | Data Snapshot](#)
- [Hey Tutor Partnership & Curriculum Overview Deck](#)

LearnFresh

- [Learn Fresh - Free Resource Guide](#)

Waterford.org

- [Free Summer Learning Opportunity](#) for Early Learners, schools and families

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**We hope to see you at our next national webinar in the
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