

# Summer Planning Bootcamp

March 30 - 31, 2022

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## GET READY FOR SUMMER SERIES

The pandemic's impact on our youth is startling. We know that by the end of the 2020-2021 academic year, students on average were five months behind in math and four months behind in reading, and the U.S. Surgeon General has raised a flag on young people's mental health. So while summer is a time of joy, fun learning, and experiencing new connections to help youth thrive, it is also a time for healing.

Join The National Summer Learning Association's free and virtual Summer Planning Bootcamp to gain tools and best practices to meet this moment head on. Led by dynamic out-of-school time leaders, sessions will delve into strategies to accelerate learning, build critical partnerships, and plan successful strategies to scale impact in a sustainable and measurable way.

Our nation's children, especially the most vulnerable, can no longer wait to tap the power of summer. Get ready for summer now.

## Who should attend?

Anyone who cares about summer learning! Leaders from schools, community-based programs, camps, libraries, outdoor education programs, and more. If you are working with youth during the summer months, you will benefit from these ideas and strategies.



**DAY ONE - WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30, 2022, FROM 1:00 P.M. TO 3:00 P.M. EST**

## The Impact of COVID-19 on Kids: What the Data Tell Us

Knowing the landscape helps us design summer learning opportunities that meet the acute needs of young people today. In this session, we explore the research and data telling us the current state of the academic, mental, and physical well-being of children and families. With the data in hand, we'll consider how to create strategies that meet this moment in time and help young people recover and thrive.

Presented By:



Moderator  
**Christina Russell**  
Policy Studies Associates



**Emma Dorn**  
McKinsey & Company



**Megan Kuhfeld**  
NWEA



**Cecelia Leong**  
Attendance Works



**Deirdra Hawkes**  
School Counselor Association



## Recruitment, Retention, and Relationships: Supporting Staff to Support Youth

Everyone is talking about the workforce crisis in all sectors, including the youth-serving fields. Could the “great resignation” be the “great opportunity” for people seeking interesting, flexible opportunities to help young people thrive. What’s known is that we need to think creatively and plan strategically to find and retain excellent staff that knows how to build relationships with young people. In this session, we’ll share tools and strategies to develop a strong workforce ready to make a difference this summer.

Presented By: 



Moderator  
**Brodrick Clarke**  
NSLA



**Rod Hsiao**  
InPlay



**Andrew Maxey**  
Tuscaloosa Public Schools



**Sergio Garcia**  
Big Thought



**Katie Willse**  
The Learning Agenda



**DAY TWO - THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 2022, 1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.**

## Engaging, and Important Content: Incorporating Innovative Health, Fitness, Arts, and Academic Learning in Summer Learning

Summer learning should be fun. And it must be enthralling so young people engage and gain the skills and knowledge they need to recover and get ahead. In this session, we’ll dive into programs that have proven strategies, tools and curriculum that can be applied in your summer learning program. We’ll talk about how to access and apply learning strategies that ensure children and youth enjoy their summer!

Presented By: 



Moderator  
**Carlos Santini**  
Mizzen by Mott



**Gene Kerns**  
Renaissance Learning



**Steven Kahn**  
Math Corps



**Stephanie Folkens**  
Common Threads



**Seton Hawkins**  
Jazz at Lincoln Center



## Investment of a Generation: Accessing and Leveraging Funding and Partnerships

It’s clear: summer learning matters. Policymakers and funders at national, state, and local levels are aware of the impact of summer learning and are making big bets that it will be a key strategy to helping young people in the wake of the COVID-19 crisis. In this session, we’ll explore how to access those investments and ensure impact. We’ll consider how to leverage partnerships across sectors, including schools, community-based organizations, business and more to make the most of the investment of public funding.

Presented By: 



Moderator  
**Alan Ingram**  
Former Superintendent,  
Springfield, MA schools



**Erik Peterson**  
Afterschool Alliance



**Roslyn Johnson**  
Baltimore County



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**Brian Bannon**  
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