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# **Summer Learning Update**

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# Requested Information

- **Funding.** The combination of dollars districts utilized in order to support summer learning programs in 2023.
- **Impact.** Examples of how summer learning programs were impacted this year, given the absence of dedicated funding for summer learning statewide.
- **Looking Ahead.** The need for summer learning funding in the future, and how districts would utilize those dollars moving forward.



# District Example: Gervais School District

	<b>Prior to 2023 (with support of Summer Learning Grants)</b>	<b>Summer of 2023 (with no Summer Learning Grants)</b>
<b>Gervais</b>	<p>In the previous two years, when more significant sources of funding were available for summer learning, Gervais offered school-wide programs for preschool students through 8<sup>th</sup> grade and had daily attendance averages around 275 students.</p> <p>At the high school level – in previous years – Gervais offered a three-day “jump start” program for incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders that focused on team building, relationships and field trips to colleges and Willamette Career Academy.</p>	<p>Gervais was only able to serve Migrant students in 1st through 5th grade. In total, they served about 60 students, and they had (on average) a daily attendance rate of about 45 students.</p> <p>At the high school level, Gervais couldn't offer the jump start program this year and they are seeing how that has impacted the confidence and readiness of their 9<sup>th</sup> graders in the first few weeks of school.</p>



# District Example: Parkrose School District

	<b>Prior to 2023 (with support of Summer Learning Grants)</b>	<b>Summer of 2023 (with no Summer Learning Grants)</b>
<b>Parkrose</b>	Prior to 2023, with the support of the state summer learning grants, Parkrose served over 500 students with more robust summer programming K-12.	Parkrose provided support to 200 students this summer (300 less than the prior summer). Summer programming had to be more focused. For example: one grade level class (K-5), only enrichment support for middle school students, and credit recovery for high school students.

Note: More district examples are in our written remarks.



# Looking Ahead

## Examples from district leaders on how they would utilize summer learning funding in 2024:

- **Access and Offerings.** Increase access and the availability of well-rounded summer learning opportunities to more students.
- **Culturally-Specific Programs.** Boost the number of culturally-specific summer program options, in collaboration with community partners.
- **STEAM.** Invest in more STEAM-focused summer program offerings.
- **Teaching and Learning.** Improve instructional materials and curriculum resources.
- **Staffing.** Hire and support more licensed and classified staff; and provide on-going professional development.
- **Program Duration.** Extend the hours of programs to help working families.



# Looking Ahead, Cont'd

## Timely and consistent summer learning funding will make it easier to:

- **Plan ahead.** Develop curriculum, organize the summer learning programs, and recruit staff.
- **Increase access and supports for students.** Remove barriers to accessing programs, and provide accommodations.
- **Communicate earlier with families and community partners.** Share information about the availability of programs and offerings over the summer.
- **Monitor and report the impact.** Collect data annually on the programs, and report student progress.
- **Make improvements year-to-year.** Use data to improve the quality of programming, access to programs, and student supports.



**Thank you!**