



# Bridging the Summer Learning Gap



2025 National Gallup Survey of 421 Superintendents Exploring Their Perspectives on Summer Experiences for Youth Demonstrated the Following:

**91%**

of superintendents say summer programs are a key strategy to reaching district goals.

**82%**

of superintendents plan to maintain or increase spending on summer learning in 2025, despite the expiration of the American Rescue Plan Act funding.

63% of superintendents say their summer programs were at or over capacity.

## Superintendents' Top-Ranked Benefits for Students<sup>1</sup>



**87%**

Maintaining or Improving Academic Skills (e.g. math, reading, STEM)



**55%**

Engage in Enrichment Activities (e.g. arts, music, sports)



**24%**

Have Fun



**23%**

Improve Mental Health

<sup>1</sup> Percentages above are one of the top 3 benefits of participation selected.

## Top District Challenges for Student Participation<sup>2</sup>

**75%** Conflict with Parents' Schedule

**65%** Conflict with Child's Schedule

**55%** Lack of Student Interest

**45%** Lack of Transportation

<sup>2</sup> Percentages above are one of the top 3 barriers to participation selected.

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