Students report improved ability and motivation in school work. Students show strong school day attendance and are 1/3 less likely to be chronically absent. Students increase their skills by 1/3 of a grade level in reading and vocabulary, including English language learners. Students show strong school day attendance and are 1/3 less likely to be chronically absent.

Go to www.summermatters2you.net for more information on summer learning.

But Summer Learning Programs Keep Students Growing!

Six Signs of a Great Summer Learning Program

- Broadens youth horizons: Exposes them to new adventures, skills and ideas (ex. a nature walk, new computer program, museum visit or live performance).
- Includes a wide variety of fun and engaging activities (ex. reading, writing, math, science, arts and public service projects).
- Helps youth build mastery: Improves doing something they enjoy and care about (ex. creating a neighborhood garden, writing a healthy snacks cookbook or operating a robot).
- Promotes healthy habits: Provides nutritious food, physical recreation and outdoor activities.
- Fosters cooperative learning: Work with their friends on team projects and group activities (ex. a neighborhood clean-up, group presentation or canned food drive).
- Lasts at least one month: Gives youth enough time to benefit from their summer learning experiences.

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