

June 2021 REL Corner: Strategies to Promote Summer Learning

<u>Learn about REL Appalachia and its work</u>, and dive into these resources from across the REL program that support educators and education leaders interested in promoting student summer learning and preventing summer learning loss.

- Preventing Summer Learning Loss. This infographic from REL Southeast shares
 considerations for K-12 school leaders planning summer learning opportunities for
 students in virtual, hybrid, or in-person settings. The infographic also provides links to
 self-study guides to support planning and implementing summer learning programs and
 academic interventions.
- Strategies for Ensuring Equitable Continuity of Learning During the COVID-19
 Pandemic. This fact sheet from REL Mid-Atlantic includes evidence-based and promising practices that local education agencies can consider when developing summer learning programs that support underserved children and youth. Additionally, the factsheet includes suggestions for designing and implementing systemwide summer learning programs to accelerate learning, including recommendations for community partnerships.
- Building Bridges to College and Career: Supporting Successful Postsecondary
 Transitions Through Summer Counseling. This virtual event presentation slide deck and accompanying resources from REL Appalachia provide an overview of an evidence-based summer counseling intervention to support the successful transition between high school graduation and fall college enrollment.
- Best Practices for Summer School. This Ask A REL response from REL West shares
 research reports and descriptive articles on best practices for summer school programs to
 mitigate summer learning loss and support student academic achievement.

- The Effectiveness of Summer School/Summer Bridge Programs on Reducing Summer
 Slide. This Ask A REL response from REL Mid-Atlantic includes research reports and
 descriptive articles on the effectiveness of summer learning programs on student learning,
 particularly at transitions between school levels (elementary to middle or middle to high
 school).
- The Effectiveness of Summer School in Closing Achievement Gaps. This Ask A REL response from REL West highlights books, research reports, and descriptive articles on the effectiveness of summer learning programs for K–12 students, particularly those from underserved backgrounds.