
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating July 8 through 13, 2019, as "Summer Learning Week"
2 in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, "Summer Learning Week" is a time to reflect on the
4 importance of keeping youths learning while remaining safe and
5 healthy during the summer and ensuring that students return to
6 school in the fall ready to succeed in the year ahead; and

7 WHEREAS, Summer learning loss is a significant contributor to
8 the achievement gap, a gap that remains constant during the nine
9 months of the school year but widens during the summer months;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, Summer learning programs are proven to maintain and
12 advance students' academic, social and emotional growth, keep
13 children safe and healthy during the summer and send young
14 people back to school ready to learn; and

15 WHEREAS, Summer youth employment programs engage older youths
16 in meaningful activities that allow them to explore careers of
17 interest, take on new responsibilities, contribute to their

1 community and earn money for the future; and

2 WHEREAS, A wide array of public agencies, community-based
3 organizations, schools, libraries, museums, recreation centers,
4 camps and businesses in our community contribute to the well-
5 being of youths through summer programming; and

6 WHEREAS, Summer learning is a critical component of our
7 collective effort to ensure that all students graduate from high
8 school prepared for college, careers and life; therefore be it

9 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate July 8 through 13, 2019,
10 as "Summer Learning Week" in Pennsylvania; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the importance of
12 providing summer programming and supporting a safe learning
13 environment for children after school and during the summer
14 months.