

..... SUMMER:

A TIME FOR LEARNING

Many students lose about two months of grade level equivalency in math skills over the summer months.

Kids score lower on standardized tests at the end of summer than on the same test in the beginning of the summer.

What **YOU** can do to help **PREVENT** summer learning loss

ENGAGE IN SUMMER CAMPS

- Encourage your child to participate in science, technology, and engineering summer camps.

CONTINUE THE LEARNING AT HOME AND IN YOUR COMMUNITY

- Hands-on activities help kids stay engaged and motivated.
- Take advantage of science museums and local science fairs.

ENCOURAGE READING

- Reading helps stimulate a child's mind and prepares him/her for the next school year.

SEIZE THE MOMENT

- Simple chores can be turned into fun science lessons. Invite your child to follow a recipe or help calculate a grocery bill.

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ENCOURAGING GROWTH MINDSET

When completing a task ask open-ended questions to encourage your child to think about the process.

ASK OPEN-ENDED QUESTIONS

- How would you improve...
- What would happen if...

Growth mindset is the belief that through hard work and effort you can develop your abilities.

GIVE SPECIFIC FEEDBACK

- Your design is strong because you...
- Have you considered trying...
- Why did you choose... over...

ENCOURAGE TAKING RISKS AND EXPLORATION

- Encourage your child to try something new.
- Use mistakes and setbacks as learning opportunities.

SUPPORT PERSISTENCE

- Provide plenty of time to learn new things.
- Encourage your child to look for additional resources to work through challenges.

Check out mindsetonline.com to learn more about Carol Dweck's research on growth mindset.

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