# SUMMER GAME PLAN SERIES:



**Program Planning and Partnerships** 



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Planning Workshops for K-12 Leaders & Community Partners

### **Upcoming Sessions:**

Feb 22 : Innovative Staff Recruitment Strategies





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# **TODAY'S PRESENTERS**







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### **Sperling Center for Research & Innovation**





SCRI elevates the quality, impact, and sustainability of youth organizations and schools by turning evidence into action. We offer the knowledge and tools needed to reach more young people where they are, through adults they know, with strategies that work.



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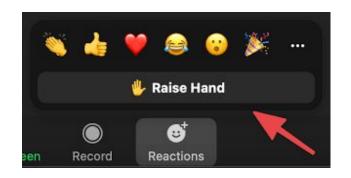


## **AGENDA**

- Systems and Partnerships
- Partner Spotlight
- Planning for Partnerships
- **□** Breakout Discussions
- □ Reflection and Close



# **Tech Participation Guidelines**



### **Raise Your Hand**

Use the Reactions icon to let us know if you have a question you'd like to ask out loud. You'll likely need to wait until a transition.

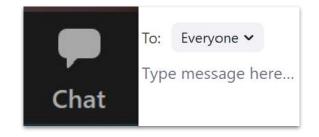
### **Use the Chat Box**

Think of the Chat Box as a place to:

- Share "aha" moments
- Encourage other participants
- Ask a question you don't need to ask out loud









Coaching and Curriculum Development for Educators

**Enrichment and** Field Trips

STEM and Technology Health and Wellness

Other/I don't know

I'm not currently partnering with external organization



### In what categories would you like to partner?

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# What We Know About Program Planning and Partnership



### The Power of Partnerships

- Promotes equity by coordinating service areas, targeting groups of students most in need of particular kinds of resources and interventions and reducing barriers to program access.
- Maximizes and grows available resources, whereby facilities and other shared resources are used efficiently
- Established system is able to withstand leadership changes overtime
- Builds capacity and coordination of professional development and program quality - key drivers of program success





### Benefits of School-Community Partnerships

#### Benefit Schools:

- complement the academic curriculum with a wider range of services and activities, particularly enrichment and arts activities that may not available during the school day
- **support transitions** across the school years, particularly the critical middle to high school transition, which research indicates is a key predictor of high school graduation (Neild, Balfanz, & Herzog, 2007)
- reinforce concepts taught in school without replicating the school day, often exposing classroom teachers working in the summer program to new pedagogies
- **improve school culture and community image** through exhibitions and performances that help "shine the light" on students whose talents may not be apparent in the classroom;
- gain access to mentors, afterschool staff, and other resources to support in school learning and improve the teaching and learning in the classroom itself.



### Benefits of School-Community Partnerships

### Benefit Students and Families:

- Learning Partnerships can **support student outcomes** 
  - Positive relationships with schools can foster high quality, engaging and challenging activities, along with promoting staff engagement
- provide continuity of services across the day and year, easing school transitions and promoting improved attendance in summer programs
- facilitate access to a range of learning opportunities and developmental supports, providing opportunities for students and teachers alike to experiment with new approaches to teaching and learning
- facilitate information sharing about specific students to best support individual learning
- provide family members with alternative entry points into the school day to support their student's learning



### Benefits of School-Community Partnerships

Strengthen and Support Community Partners:

- help gain access to and recruit groups of students most in need of support services
- **improve program quality and staff engagement**, particularly when there is crossover between school and community organization staff
- foster better alignment of programming to support a shared vision for learning, one which aligns curriculum to support state and local standards
- maximize resource use such as facilities, staff, data, and curriculum

Partnerships can serve to strengthen, support, and even transform individual partners, resulting in improved program quality, more efficient use of resources, and better alignment of goals and curricula. (Harvard Family Research Project, 2010)





### Features of Effective School-Community Partnerships

- Shared vision for learning and developmental outcomes for students
- Engaged Leadership
- Continuous Quality Improvement
- Data Management
- Sustainable Resources
- Marketing & Communications





### In Summary

- ★ Build relationships and coordinate resource investments across organizations, agencies, and initiatives that already have relationships with children beyond the school day and year (for example, libraries, housing authorities, etc.)
- ★ Plan how to involve families from the outset. System coordination of family engagement will result in better strategies for marketing, enrollment, retention and will reduce overall barriers to participation.
- ★ Think broadly about including the right stakeholders. Certain stakeholders may already have relationships, a history of working across initiatives, or have developed systems for collecting data from grantees in a way that positions them well to encourage collaboration across community initiatives. Strategic direction may come from a funding collaborative, mayoral office, or other intermediary or leading organization.



### Reflection

Please chat your responses to these two questions in the chat box.

- What benefits do you hope to see from establishing effective partnerships?
- In which of the 6 areas are you feeling most confident?





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**Kendra** joined EDMO with years of experience working in various roles within education. She earned a degree in Education and her Multiple Subject Teaching Credential at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo. Kendra spent her first four summers with EDMO as an Instructor and Director for the Palo Alto and Fremont locations and the past three years as the South Bay/Peninsula Region Manager and School Year Programs Manager. Kendra now serves as the Programs Director, developing and creating new programs for EDMO while providing development and training for programs staff.

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# Planning for Partnerships - How We Move Forward



### Reflection

Please chat your responses to this questions in the chat box.

What are some challenges you have experienced or are experiencing with facilitating partnership?



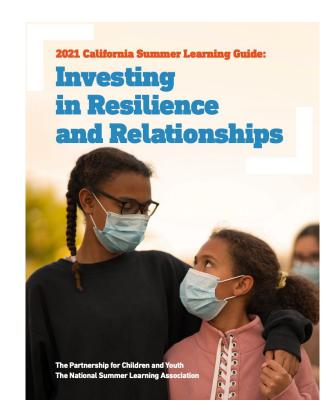




### **Partnership Promising Practice**

# 2021 Summer Learning Guide: Core Values

- Elevate relationships and enrichment
- Focus on equity
- Be creative
- Deepen community partnerships







### **Partnership Promising Practices**

### **Summer 2021 Report**

- Invest in coordination
- Coordinated across internal departments
- Leverage Community assets and specialized experts
- Timing
- Continuous Improvement and Data Management



### **Summer 2021:**

How California educators met the moment with re-engagement, reconnection, and reimagined learning







### **Partnership Promising Practices**

### **Planning for Summer Partnerships**

- Prioritize a Collaborative Planning Process
  - Seeing families as partners
  - Innovative Staffing
- Leverage Community assets and specialized experts
  - Cross department teams and summer practitioners
  - Engaged with and supported by by County Offices of Education (COEs)
- Timing
- Continuous Improvement and Data Management
  - Shared Vision, Goals, & Outcomes

VARIETY OF SUMMER PARTNERSHIPS & ROLES	
SUMMER PARTNERSHIP ROLES	EXAMPLES/DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES
Coaching and Curriculum Development for Educators	The additional summer resources allowed Lynwood USD to provide teachers with coaching, lesson-planning, and support in the classroom in partnership with the SWUN Math program.  Calexico USD partnered with Afterschool Unlimited to provide SEL professional development for teachers and staff.
Staffing & Program Operations	In Pittsburg USD, Bay Area Community Resources (BACR) led staffing and recruitment, though district educators still ran some sessions.  In Monterey Peninsula USD, Community Partnership for Youth (CPY) and the YMCA staffed multiple sites and relieved overworked district employees.
Enrichment & Field Trips	Selma USD and Partier USD incorporated numerous partners into their summer programming, such as a local boxing gym, Every Monday Matters (SEL provider), and retired art teachers.  Santa Barbara USD partnered with the Dance Institute, Wilderness Youth Project, MOXI museum, CALM (child abuse, mindfuness, and counseling sessions for youth and teachers). Camp Whittier, the Santa Barbara Public Library, and Explore Ecology.
STEM & Technology	Fontana USD leveraged a partnership with their COE to expand STEM programming to include a summer coding program, Ozobots, using computer kits.  Hayward USD partnered with Chabot College to provide STEAM programming.  Davis Joint USD brought in QUEST Academy, an interactive classroom gameplay that includes professional development for teachers.
Nutrition & Family Supports	In addition to serving youth breakfast and lunch during the day, Manteca USD partnered with their local food bank to send students home with groceries.  Rio Elementary School District partnered with their local Mixteco community organization to conduct outreach to families, translation, and family engagement events.
Health & Wellness	Klamath-Trinity Joint USD used a CBO partner, Two Feathers Native American Family Services, to provide training and professional development for their staff on responding to youth mental health crises.  Butte COE and their district partners worked with their community wellness partners to ensure students or staff in crisis could access the mental health support they needed.  Hayward USD partnered with their local First 5 to identify and outreach to TK/K students.





### **BREAKOUT ROOM OPTIONS**

1 EDMO and Napa Valley USD

Berkeley USD and Stiles Hall @ Cal Berkeley



# Share your key takeaways and reflections on the Padlet





### **SUMMER LEARNING RESOURCES**



- Summer Game Plan Workshop Series:
  - o Feb 22: Innovative Staff Recruitment Strategies
- Research
- Planning Guides
- Case Studies

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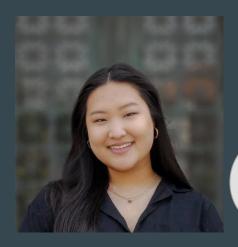
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### Why?

- Is it important to have community partnerships?
  - Neighbors, Families, Networks thrive within communities
  - When we can see ourselves participating in our community, it expands our understanding of our roles within the community.
  - Infinite possibilities abound!
- We ALL have a NEED to be Connected.
  - During a pandemic it can be ever more important!
- We All Do Better When We All Do Better!
  - "Win/Win" We All ultimately learn from each other in countless ways.
- What's your Why?

### Who?



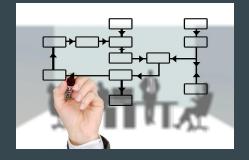
























### Check with your local Higher Education Institutions

Discuss w/ District
-What is required to have volunteers/vendors on campuses or virtually?

Reach out to District Expanded Learning Directors and Site Coordinators to determine opportunities for partnership

Get familiar with the ELO-Program Details and Goals

Search what Student Organizations, Clubs are currently operating

Look for Groups that have existing pathways for partnerships in schools

Choose those that are realistically able to push into your existing programming

Document your process so next time you are better prepared!

Consider using Social Networks to get the word out to the Community of your wants and needs

### 5 Golden Reminders ....for Fun & Productive Partnerships

### 1. Be honest

a. w/ expectations. current program realities , & bandwidth of staff to support efforts

### 2. Be Responsible

- a. Use an Equity Lens
- b. Honor your students current support needs as well as future goals

### 3. Be Respectful

- a. Of the circumstances of others
- b. Challenges
- c. Schedules (Program Students- Mentors)
- 4. Be Creative Think Big & Think Long-term \*(Tap into resources)
- 5. Get Excited! Be Enthusiastic! Be Encouraged!