

**Overview of Summer Learning Programs**

[Summer learning programs](#) (SLPs) are designed to provide students with additional opportunities for learning and growing during the summer months. Systems should strive to create opportunities for all students to access a summer learning program.

**Career and Technical Education**

It’s never too early for students to begin exploring careers and the pathway that will help them achieve their goals. Career and Technical education provides students with the space to build their occupational identity while navigating new environments. Middle school is a natural time for students to learn about careers and develop problem solving, critical thinking and teamworking skills.

**Best Practices and Approach**

LEAs who decide to offer SLPs to students within their jurisdictions must also offer the same program access and opportunity to participate to students with disabilities, and LEAs must be prepared to provide any IEP related modifications or reasonable 504/ADA accommodations.

**Sample Activities**

Websites and Resources	
Cluster	Details
General Exploration	<a href="#">Designing Your Future Career</a> <a href="#">What’s Your Influence?</a> <a href="#">Digital Citizenship</a>
Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources	<a href="#">FFA</a> <a href="#">4-H</a> <a href="#">Center for Global Environmental Education</a> <a href="#">Agriculture in the Classroom</a> <a href="#">Eggology</a> <a href="#">Seeds</a> <a href="#">Apple Genetics</a> <a href="#">Ranching and Recreating on Common Grounds</a> <a href="#">Expressions in Agriculture</a>
Architecture and Construction	<a href="#">Straw Tower Activity</a>
Arts, A/V Technology and Communication	<a href="#">MoMA Learning</a> <a href="#">Design a Shoe</a> <a href="#">Adobe Exchange</a>
Health Sciences	<a href="#">CPR in Schools</a> <a href="#">Energy Bar Exploration</a>

	<a href="#">Mix It Up! Food Scientist</a> <a href="#">Food Safety Sleuths - Food Safety Specialist</a>
Hospitality and Tourism	<a href="#">Young Chefs: From Cooking to Science</a> <a href="#">Red Cabbage Chemistry</a> <a href="#">Culinary Concepts</a>
Information Technology	<a href="#">Hour of Code</a> <a href="#">Code.org</a> <a href="#">Design a Robot</a>
Manufacturing	<a href="#">Manufacturing in the 21st Century</a> <a href="#">Modern Manufacturing: Do you have what it Makes?</a>

**Community Resources (Field Trips/Guest Speakers, partners)**

Resource	Details
Nepris	<a href="https://www.nepris.com/home/v4">https://www.nepris.com/home/v4</a>
My Life. My Way	<a href="https://www.laworks.net/mylife/">https://www.laworks.net/mylife/</a>
Fast Food Farm	<a href="#">Fast Food Farm Field Trip</a> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/educationalfarm/">https://www.facebook.com/educationalfarm/</a>
Louisiana Career and Technical College System	<a href="https://www.lctcs.edu/our-colleges">https://www.lctcs.edu/our-colleges</a>
Louisiana Board of Regents	<a href="https://regents.la.gov/about/our-institutions/">https://regents.la.gov/about/our-institutions/</a>
Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry	<a href="https://www.ldaf.state.la.us/">https://www.ldaf.state.la.us/</a>
Louisiana Department of Health	<a href="https://ldh.la.gov/">https://ldh.la.gov/</a>
Louisiana Economic Development	<a href="https://www.opportunitylouisiana.com/">https://www.opportunitylouisiana.com/</a>
Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority	<a href="https://coastal.la.gov/">https://coastal.la.gov/</a>
Louisiana Workforce Commission	<a href="http://www.laworks.net/">http://www.laworks.net/</a>
Louisiana National Guard	<a href="https://geauxguard.la.gov/">https://geauxguard.la.gov/</a>
<p><b>Work with School System CTE Supervisors to organize field trips to tour high school facilities and programmatic offerings at the high school level.</b></p>	

**Project Matrix**

The [Summer Learning Program Matrix](#) provides a snapshot of the cross-curricular connections among projects. This chart will help teachers see integration opportunities when planning for summer learning experiences.