



Continue Learning in the Summer

Summer break is in full swing, but that does not mean that your students have to stop learning. Listed below is a compilation of ideas from multiple education experts to keep students engaged in learning at home throughout the summer months.

1. **Daily journal entries** - Record experiences over the summer months to keep reading and writing skills sharp. (Learners Edge)
2. **Summer reading challenge** - Check out the local library and have your students pick out some of their favorite books to read. Check out the website titled “A Summer Reading Challenge...” below for a specific set of challenges for your student. (A Teachable Teacher)
3. **Go outside** - Take a trip to a local, state, or national park. (Learners Edge)
4. **Visit a zoo, aquarium, or museum** - Take advantage of all that Wisconsin Dells, other cities, our state, and surrounding states have to offer. (Learners Edge)
5. **Volunteer** - encourage your students to volunteer for local organizations. This helps students develop valuable skills for their future. (Learners Edge)
6. **Stay active and healthy** - Whether it is participating in sports, or exercising on their own, students need to stay active during the summer months to keep their brains healthy. (Education World)
7. **Cook** - teach your student how to cook by following recipes and practicing safe cooking techniques. (Education World)
8. **Develop math skills** - Have a few “problems of the day” that your students can work on and solve throughout the summer. (George Lucas Educational Foundation and Dianis)

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