



Kalamazoo County Board of Commissioners

PROCLAMATION

**PROCLAMATION FOR 2024 SUMMER LEARNING DAY
KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN**

WHEREAS, High-quality summer learning and enrichment opportunities will be more important than ever in 2024;

WHEREAS, Across the country, summer programs are adapting and innovating to ensure children and their families can access quality summer learning opportunities and critical supports and services after the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, Summer Learning Day is a time to reflect on the importance of keeping youth learning, safe, and healthy every summer, ensuring they return to school in the fall ready to succeed in the year ahead;

WHEREAS, There is still a role for summer youth employment programs to engage older youth whether virtual or in-person, with the support of business and community leaders, our youth can learn, gain real world experience, contribute to their community and economy, and experience safer environments through summer jobs, internships, and/or volunteering opportunities;

WHEREAS, The largest-ever summer learning study conducted by the RAND Corporation found that it was clear that low-income students experienced more setbacks over the summer compared to their wealthier peers;


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

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

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

Proclaimed, That the Kalamazoo County Board of Commissioners designates July 18, 2024 as SUMMER LEARNING DAY in Kalamazoo, MI, and do commend this observance to all of our citizens.

Adopted June 18, 2024
Moved Heppler
Seconded Taylor
Carried




Tami Rey, Chair
Kalamazoo County Board of Commissioners

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
)SS
COUNTY OF KALAMAZOO)

I, Meredith Place, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of Kalamazoo County, Michigan (the "County") do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners at the meeting held on June 18, 2024. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with Act No. 267 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1976, as amended.

IN WITNESS WHEREFORE, I have hereunto affixed by signature this 20th Day of June, 2024.



Meredith Place
County Clerk/Register of Deeds

