



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

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

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; and*

WHEREAS, *with the support of business and community leaders, even older youth can learn, gain real world experience, contribute to their community and economy, and experience safer environments through summer jobs, internships, mentoring and volunteer opportunities; and*

WHEREAS, *the Wallace Foundation's 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; and*

WHEREAS, *the State of New Jersey, the City of Newark, the United Way of Greater Newark, Newark Thrives! and a wide array of public agencies, community-based organizations, schools, libraries, museums, recreation centers, camps and businesses in our community contribute to the wellbeing of youth through summer learning opportunities; and*

WHEREAS, *engaging summer learning experiences are a critical component of our collective effort to ensure America's educational recovery and that all students heal, grow and thrive through and beyond this global pandemic;*

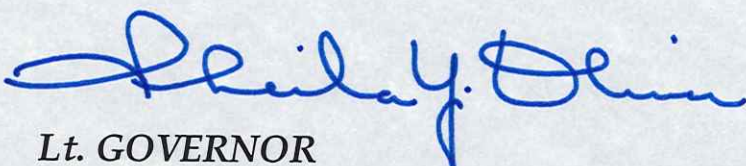
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Governor Philip D. Murphy, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim:

JULY 12 THROUGH JULY 16, 2021
AS
SUMMER LEARNING WEEK

in New Jersey.



GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this twenty-ninth day of June in the year two thousand twenty-one, the two hundred forty-fifth year of the Independence of the United States.


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