



# 8 Summer Learning Tips



First Lady Michelle Obama states, that children “forget some of the things that they learned throughout the school years, and as a result, if they stop learning through the summer, they can fall behind and then they’re struggling throughout the year”.

It is important for children to keep learning during the summer. Here are some tips to support summer learning in your family:



**Sign-up for free summer learning tips by visiting [familiesinschools.org](http://familiesinschools.org) and clicking on Passport to Success.** Throughout the summer, free tips are provided to parents on fun ways to support their child’s learning at home.



**Read with your child every day.** If your child is in middle school or high school, set up a family reading time when everyone is reading at the same time daily.



**Participate in a free summer reading program at your local library.** Many libraries have prizes for children who participate.



**Visit museums as a family and discover art, history, and science.** Many museums are free or have free days once a month.



**Participate in cultural festivals and explore different worlds.** Discuss with your child how cultures are different and the same.



**Attend a musical event and experience the wonder of rhythm.** Examine timing, beats, and math through music.



**Visit the beach and discover sea life.** Have a conversation with your child about sea life including plants, fish, and tides.



**Go to the zoo and explore the world of animals.** Talk with your child about animal colors, sizes, similarities, and differences.