





# SUMMER MATTERS

**Ignite Summer Learning, *ELO-P Style!***

**ELO-P Spring Academy**

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# Mindful Moment Maslow's before Bloom's



# Session Objectives

- ❖ Describe a high quality summer learning program
- ❖ Understand the value of a summer learning program to meet district goals
- ❖ Identify resources to support planning of a fun, engaging, and educational summer learning program





# CDE/Expanded Learning Division Vision



***“California’s Expanded Learning Programs are an integral part of young people’s education, engaging them in year-round learning opportunities that prepare them for college, career, and life.”***



# Quality Standards - LIAS

## Quality Standards for Expanded Learning in California: Creating and Implementing a Shared Vision of Quality

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"This bold initiative provides a road map for improving expanded learning throughout California."  
— Tom Torlakson  
Superintendent of Public Instruction

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### 1. Learning that is Active

Learning and memory recall of new knowledge is strengthened through different exposures – seeing, hearing, touching, and doing. Afterschool activities should involve young people in “doing” – activities that allow them to be physically active, stimulate their innate curiosity, and that are hands-on and project-based.

### 2. Learning that is Collaborative

Afterschool programs should help young people build team skills that include listening to others, supporting group learning goals, and resolving differences and conflicts. Collaborative learning happens when learners engage in a common task where each individual depends on and is accountable to each other.

### 3. Learning that is Meaningful

Learning is meaningful when youth have some ownership over the learning topic, the means to assess their own progress, and when the learning is relevant to their own interests, experiences, and the real world in which they live. Community and cultural relevance is important to all youth.

### 4. Learning that Supports Mastery

If young people are to learn the importance and joy of mastery, they need the opportunity to learn and practice a full sequence of skills that will allow them to become “really good at something.” Afterschool activities should be explicitly sequenced and designed to promote the layering of new skills.

### 5. Learning that Expands Horizons

Afterschool programs should provide learning opportunities that take youth beyond their current experience and expand their horizons. They should go beyond the walls of their facilities to increase young people’s knowledge of their surrounding neighborhood and the larger global community.

# Quality Standards for Expanded Learning Programs



The standards should be considered in the context of the five [Learning in After School and Summer Principles](#)<sup>3</sup> which clearly communicate how expanded learning programs contribute to children’s learning.

## Point-of-Service Quality Standards

- 1 Safe and supportive environment**  
The program provides a safe and nurturing environment that supports the developmental, social-emotional and physical needs of all students. [Page 7](#)
- 2 Active and engaged learning**  
Program design and activities reflect active, meaningful and engaging learning methods that promote collaboration and expand student horizons. [Page 8](#)
- 3 Skill building**  
The program maintains high expectations for all students, intentionally links program goals and curricula with 21st century skills and provides activities to help students achieve mastery. [Page 9](#)
- 4 Youth voice and leadership**  
The program provides and supports intentional opportunities for students to play a meaningful role in program design and implementation, and provides ongoing access to authentic leadership roles. [Page 10](#)
- 5 Healthy choices and behaviors**  
The program promotes student well-being through opportunities to learn about and practice balanced nutrition, physical activity and other healthy choices in an environment that supports a healthy life style. [Page 11](#)
- 6 Diversity, access and equity**  
The program creates an environment in which students experience values that embrace diversity and equity regardless of race, color, religion, sex, age, income level, national origin, physical ability, sexual orientation and/or gender identity and expression. [Page 12](#)

## Programmatic Quality Standards

- 7 Quality staff**  
The program recruits and retains high quality staff and volunteers who are focused on creating a positive learning environment, and provides ongoing professional development based on assessed staff needs. [Page 13](#)
- 8 Clear vision, mission and purpose**  
The program has a clearly defined vision, mission, goals, and measurable outcomes that reflect broad stakeholder input and drive program design, implementation and improvement. [Page 14](#)
- 9 Collaborative partnerships**  
The program intentionally builds and supports collaborative relationships among internal and external stakeholders, including families, schools and community, to achieve program goals. [Page 15](#)
- 10 Continuous quality improvement**  
The program uses data from multiple sources to assess its strengths and weaknesses in order to continuously improve program design, outcomes and impact. [Page 16](#)
- 11 Program management**  
The program has sound fiscal and administrative practices supported by well-defined and documented policies and procedures that meet grant requirements. [Page 17](#)
- 12 Sustainability**  
The program builds enduring partnerships with the community and secures commitments for in-kind and monetary contributions. [Page 18](#)

# Quality Improvement: *A Process and a Mindset*

## Quality Improvement Cycle



# Basic Requirements ELO-P (TK-6th grade, UPP)

**180 DAY SCHOOL YEAR**

9 hrs/day\* =

**Core Instructional Day**

(Includes recess & lunch)

+

**Expanded Learning**

(Before or After School or both)

**30 NON  
SCHOOL DAYS  
9 hrs/day\***

(Includes Summer,  
Intersession, Weekends)

*(\*8 hrs/day for frontier)*



## Summer Reading Achievement Trajectories



2.5 months of learning loss each  
summer = up to 3 years behind  
by 5<sup>th</sup> grade

# Video Prompts

What do you hear students saying?

What do you hear educators saying?

What do you notice about the environment?



# Summer Learning Video



**SUMMER**MATTERS

**Getting a Head Start on the Common Core**

# Video Reflection

**What did you hear students saying?**

*I'm going back to school this Fall ready to learn!*

**What did you hear educators saying?**

*I was able to try on new teaching strategies.  
Youth directed their learning.*

**What did you notice about the environment?**

*Constructivism Model \* Theme based  
Inquiry & SEL Based Instruction*



# *Begin with the End in Mind*

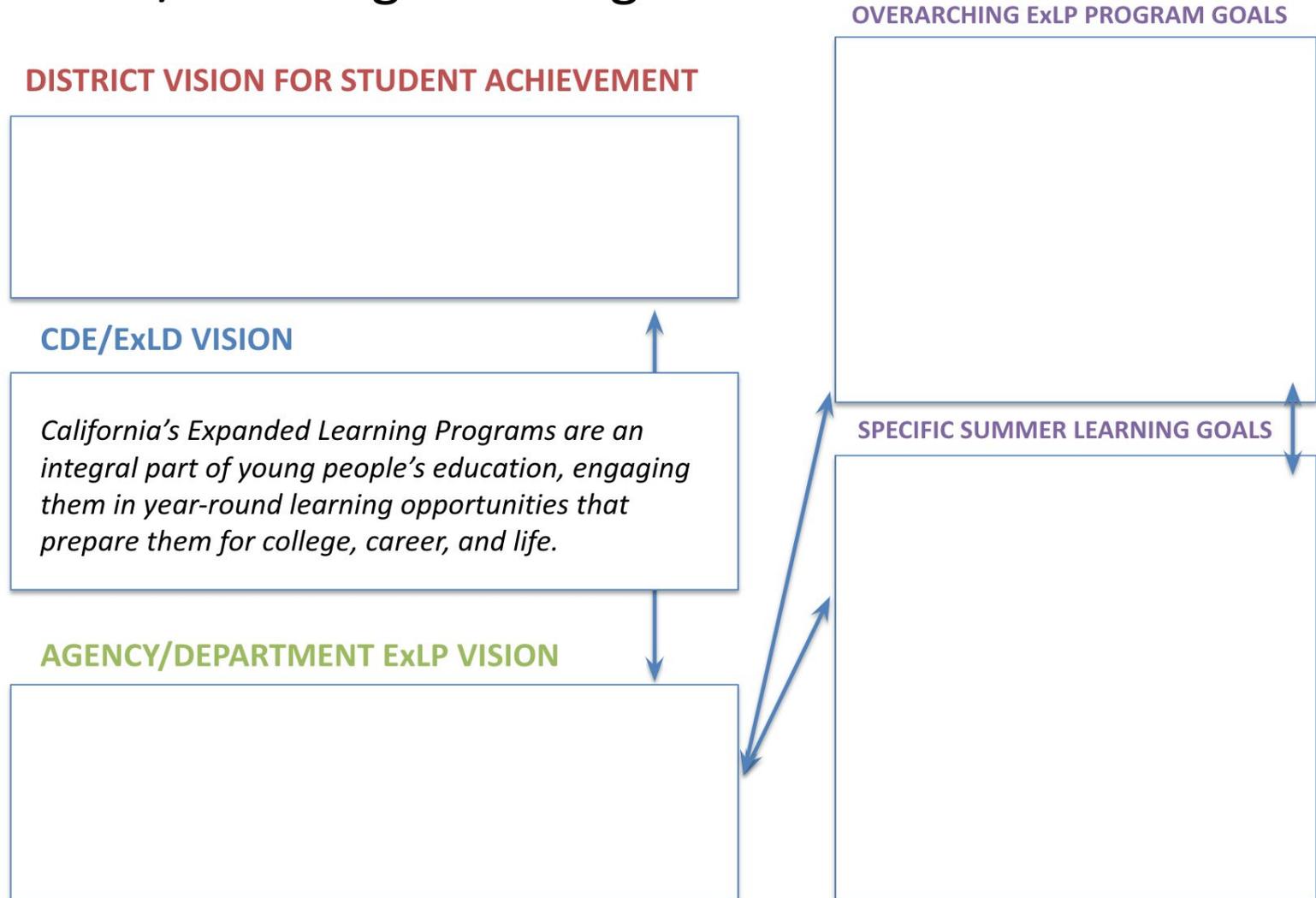


Identify  
youth  
learning  
goals

*CONVENE ALL STAKEHOLDERS!  
Discover Student/Staff Interests & Strengths*

# Where to Start

## Vision/Learning Goal Alignment



# A Sample Journey-GUSD

## Vision/Learning Goal Alignment

(SAMPLE DOCUMENT)

### DISTRICT VISION

*Gilroy Unified School District: All students reach their highest academic and intellectual competencies and personal attributes to be lifelong learners, responsible citizens, and productive members of society.*

### CDE/ExLD VISION

*California's Expanded Learning Programs are an integral part of young people's education, engaging them in year-round learning opportunities that prepare them for college, career, and life.*

### AGENCY/DEPARTMENT ExLP VISION

*Gilroy Unified School District, Power School/Super Power Summer Camp (SPSC): All students will be college and career ready with the 21<sup>st</sup> century skills to succeed in life.*

*P.S. I Can Do It!*

### OVERARCHING ExLP PROGRAM GOALS

- Students will engage in meaningful projects that allow for critical thinking and the opportunity to see connections between subjects.
- Students will increase their participation in collaborative environments.
- Students will increase their confidence and interest in participation.
- Students will thrive in a common core style of learning.

### SPECIFIC SUMMER LEARNING GOALS

SAMPLE: 85% of SPSC participants will increase their engagement in STEAM over the 6 week program.

*Engagement defined as:*

- Students will be interested in math and science (gain confidence and curiosity);
- Students will increase interest in STEAM related careers (th/guest speakers & field trips);
- Students will develop agency (learn how to ask questions, speak up & become leaders in their classroom)

Assessment: activity debrief & check for understanding, visible display of work, post surveys of students, parents, staff

# Plan Alignment & Stakeholder Engagement

## DISTRICT VISION FOR STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

What is your District's North Star?

## CDE/ExLD VISION

*California's Expanded Learning Programs are an integral part of young people's education, engaging them in year-round learning opportunities that prepare them for college, career, and life.*

## AGENCY/DEPARTMENT ExLP VISION

Create a statement for your Expanded Learning Program that connects the ExLD Vision & District's North Star.

1. Jot down key words/phrases from your District vision
2. Underline connecting words/phrases from CA's vision for Expanded Learning
3. Draft a unifying statement for your District's ExL Program

# Expanded Learning & Summer Specific Goals Data-Informed Decisions

## OVERARCHING ExLP PROGRAM GOALS

What data sources will inform your overarching program goals?

## SPECIFIC SUMMER LEARNING GOALS

What is a realistic goal for the summer learning program? How will you measure impact?

1. Brainstorm data sources
2. Develop draft SMART Goal for Summer

# From Vision to Implementation - GUSD



A collaboration between:



## 2019 Summer Camp Operations

**June 17-July 26** (6 weeks) **8:30-2:30** (6 hours) **No Camp July 4th + 5th**

Incoming grades 1-5 at El Roble and Rod Kelley Elementary, incoming grades 6-9 at Gilroy High School

### Brighter Futures- Healthy Communities

Elementary and Middle School:

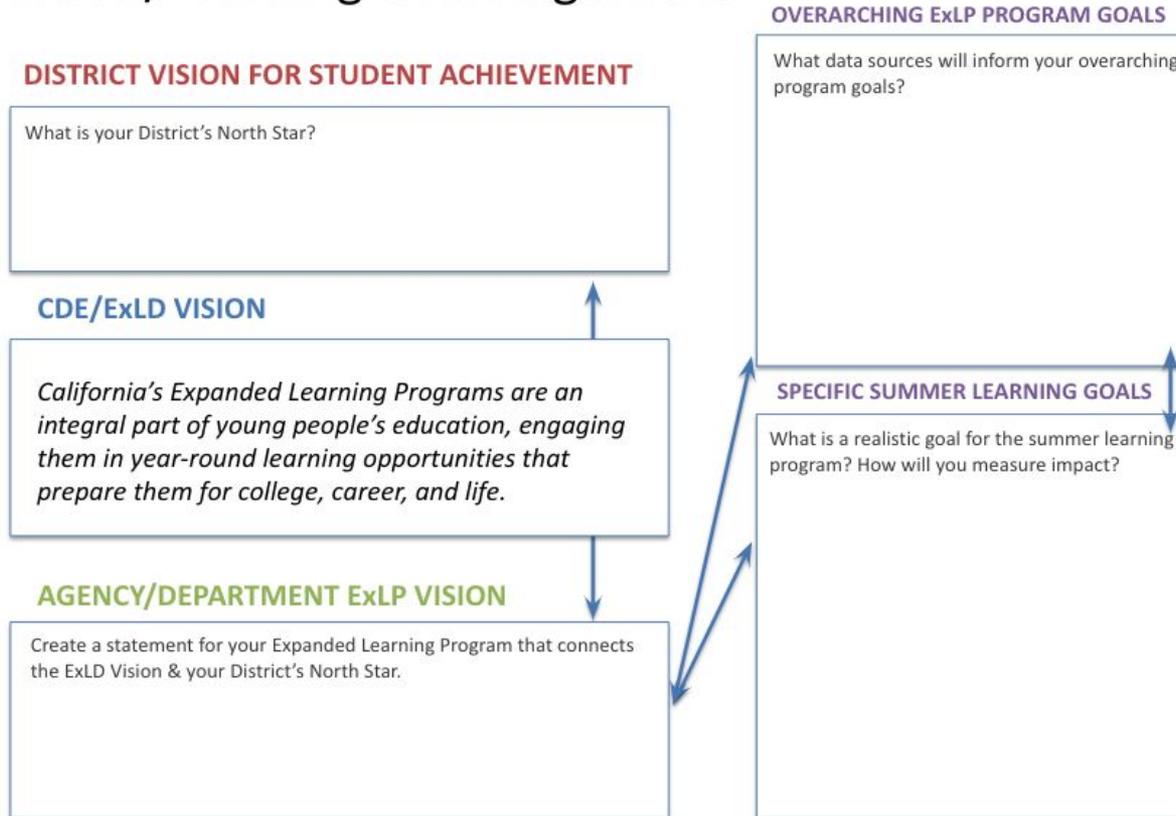
THEMES	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
<b>Components</b>	<b>Kindness</b>	<b>Imagination</b>	<b>Adventure</b>	<b>Community</b>	<b>Balance</b>	<b>Creativity</b>
<b>STEAM</b>	Invention to solve an issue for family	Coding	Seed Challenge - 3 step design process	Invention to solve a community problem	Balance Vehicle Challenge	Alternative Energy Inventions
<b>SELF</b>	Self-Kindness Challenge- bucket filling/appreciation	Create a motivational friend with ideal characteristics	Nature Walk- 5 senses	Motivational Speaker/regular struggles/autobio.	Healthy Body, Nutrition, Yoga, life	Who I was, who I am, and who I want to be- Future
<b>VITAL</b>	Connect to family stories of kindness	Illustrate own graphic novel)	Games/Maps	Visual rep of community	Mind-body-spirit: impact of music	Creative Problem Solving (origami)
<b>Enrichment or Service Learning</b>	Elementary- Thingamajig MS- Options	Elementary- Thingamajig MS- Options	Elementary- Thingamajig MS- Options	Elementary- Health Dept -Ped/Nutrition MS- Options	Elementary- Health Dept -Ped/Nutrition MS- Options	Elementary- Health Dept -Ped/Nutrition MS- Options

Middle School program

- Service Learning- Collaboration with Latino Family Fund de Gilroy
- Enrichment- Student selected topics/Staff developed sessions, students choose weekly

# Access the Planning Tool

## Vision/Learning Goal Alignment



Region 5 Expanded Learning Partnerships/MCDE



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your records!**

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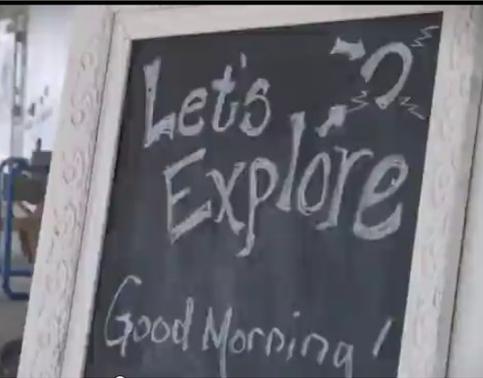
# Tip #1: *Begin with the End in Mind*



*Make Learning Fun & Intentional*



# Tip #2: Establish a Unique Program Culture



*Choose a Theme  
Incorporate Student Voice & Choice*

# Tip #3: *Connect with Community Partners*



CALIFORNIA  
STATE PARKS  
FOUNDATION



CALIFORNIA  
ENVIRONMENTAL  
LITERACY  
INITIATIVE



Monterey Bay  
Aquarium®

**raft**®  
RESOURCE AREA  
FOR TEACHING



San José Public Library



think  
TOGETHER



BOYS & GIRLS  
CLUB



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*Field Trips, Program Providers & Curriculum*

## Tip #4: *Start small*



*Add an element each summer*



## RESOURCES!

- Sample Summer Learning Schedules
- Documents/Videos shared today
- ExL Quality Standards Booklet
- National Summer Learning Assoc Resources
- and more!*

Access the  
Shared  
Folder

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[tinyurl.com/4xx866ha](https://tinyurl.com/4xx866ha)



# THANK YOU!

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**Find support in your local area!**

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# Regional Discussion



**VACAVILLE**  
NOW Rain  
55  
WIND 11

**TODAY**  
Rain  
56

**TONIGHT**  
Cloudy  
52

**TOMORROW**  
Sunny  
62

**KRON** SKYLIGHT CINEMA

**BIG SCREEN DEBUT**  
DOCUMENTARY FEATURING CAMPBELL STUDENTS PREMIERES SATURDAY

**KIA** **KRON**

thrive **DAILY 3 EVENING** **8 1 1**

