TRANSFORM SUMMER LEARNING to Achieve Better Education Outcomes

- Evidence-based solution
- Higher ROI
- Measurable
- Proven professional development
- Easy to implement!
An Easier Way to Deliver Evidence-Based Summer Programs

Are you looking for ways to bring your summer program to the next level?

**Scholastic Powered by BellXcel** is a complete solution that empowers school districts to create evidence-based summer learning programs or enhance existing ones. Our solution provides you instant access to all the operating expertise and resources you need, including professional development, coaching, curriculum and on-demand support.

Backed by independent evaluations, programs powered by BellXcel Summer have a proven track record of improving literacy and math skills and transforming struggling students into thriving scholars.

**The Power of Partnership**

Scholastic Powered by BellXcel brings together a trusted educational corporation and a renowned national nonprofit to advance better educational outcomes. Combining Scholastic’s leading learning products with BellXcel’s holistic model brings true innovation to underserved children in classrooms across the nation.
BellXcel Summer is the largest evidence-based summer learning program in the U.S.

A Comprehensive Solution

Now you can design, deliver, and measure evidence-based summer learning experiences featuring:

✓ Operating Expertise and Resources that empower you to build new or enhance existing summer programs that achieve measurable outcomes

✓ Comprehensive tiered ELA/math curriculum coupled with program handbooks and supplemental resources.

✓ Professional development includes up to 25 hours of in-person and/or virtual learning sessions, self-guided learning, and targeted coaching to meet your needs

✓ Quality assurance tools, resources, and in-person visits, to support student development

✓ Evaluation tools to measure outcomes and quality, including licenses to an adaptive online assessment system for academic measurement and stakeholder surveys

✓ Ongoing dedicated coaching and a help desk to support you at every program level to ensure summer success

Build Summer Programs That Combine:

ACADEMICS
✓ Fun and hands-on!
✓ Literacy
✓ Math

SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT
✓ Growth mindset
✓ Voice and choice
✓ Positive behavior incentives
Unparalleled Curriculum

Scholastic Powered by BellXcel’s curriculum is based on best practices for literacy and math instruction. It keeps scholars actively engaged through a variety of whole-group, small-group, and individualized learning activities that include cross-content reading and writing.

Kindergarten readiness includes instruction in letters, sounds, and words as well as early literacy skills and foundational mathematical thinking. Children develop the early learning skills that are most predictive of future success in school and in life, all while becoming comfortable with school routines and developing critical social and emotional skills.

Literacy instruction uses high-quality authentic fiction and nonfiction texts to increase reading proficiency and promote a love of reading. At the end of the program, students take their books home, building their own personal libraries that inspire independent reading beyond the summer.

Math instruction promotes a conceptual understanding of math topics by providing multiple opportunities for scholars to problem-solve and engage in interactive activities aligned to the eight standards of mathematics practice. Our approach is based on the teaching and learning practices of Singapore, South Korea, and Hong Kong—consistent top performers in international studies.

BellXcel empowered our team to deliver a great summer learning experience to the scholars who needed it the most. The impact for our scholars, educators, and families was evident throughout the summer and the next school year.

Dr. Leticia Bhatia, Director of Special Projects, Categorical & English Learner Program, South San Francisco Unified School District
Scholastic Powered by BellXcel uses best practices in instruction, learning, and student engagement. Its research-based curriculum is customized for the summer, incorporating essential components of Scholastic literacy and math programs.

**Literacy**

- Develops preschoolers’ understanding of and confidence with alphabet knowledge, phonological awareness, early writing, oral language, listening comprehension, concepts of print, and sight words. All learning is grounded in wonderful books with daily opportunities for music and movement.

- Provides scholars with extensive opportunities to engage with, talk about, and write about texts in both interactive read-aloud sessions and scholar- or teacher-led book club sessions.

- Enhances scholars’ reading development by integrating differentiated small-group instruction, assessment, and independent practice into the classroom.

- Engages middle school scholars in texts about perseverance and transformation while improving skills in reading, writing, comprehension, and critical thinking. Scholars are encouraged to find their own voice.

- Creates opportunities for scholars to explore various stages of the writing process.

**Math**

- Develops preschoolers’ mathematical thinking with a deep focus on number sense, counting, sorting, and shapes. Hands-on activities deepen scholars’ understanding and engagement.

- Builds essential math vocabulary and concepts that relate to problem solving and mathematical thinking while engaging in discussions to enhance comprehension as well as speaking and listening skills.

- Supports scholars through Singapore math to develop the skills they need to compute with accuracy and efficiency while bolstering the number sense needed to reason and think critically through problems.

- Engages scholars with math magazines that challenge scholars to think logically, reason through problems, and apply grade level-appropriate math skills.
A Proven Model

Backed by third-party evaluations and randomized control trials, BellXcel has a 25+ year track record of improved student and educator outcomes.

✓ A two-year study commissioned by the board of education in Montgomery County, MD, found that BellXcel resulted in a statistically significant lift in measures of academic (MAP) scores for math and reading.

✓ In a recent BellWether Education Partners study, 100 percent of teachers reported that BellXcel positively influenced their approach to teaching in the new school year and found the model to be energizing and motivational.

Success by the Numbers

Built by educators for educators, Scholastic Powered by BellXcel empowers our partners to improve student and educator outcomes that continue into the school year.

TEACHER IMPACT

✓ 91% of teachers reported that BellXcel improved their professional skills.

✓ 100% of teachers say that BellXcel positively influenced their approach to the school year.

✓ 90% of teachers use BellXcel strategies in their school year classroom.

COMMUNITY IMPACT

✓ 150+ communities served across the U.S.

FAMILY IMPACT

✓ 85% of parents said BellXcel helped them become more involved in their children’s education.

SCHOLAR IMPACT

✓ 172,000 children have completed BellXcel programs.

SCHOOL IMPACT

✓ +2 months in average reading gain.

✓ +2.5 months in average math gain.

Source: BellXcel Summer 2018 Stakeholder Surveys
Professional Learning and Measurement

Through our best-in-class professional development, we will empower you throughout all stages of your summer programming, including program design, operations, instruction, measurement, and continuous improvement.

We provide a deep dive into all program content while facilitating the use of research-based techniques and whole child development. This approach ensures that your programs are consistent and of the highest caliber.

This will help you gain a big-picture view of what's working and what needs improvement. Multiple sources of data include:

- Stakeholder survey data
- Training completion rates
- Customized assessments
- Youth outcome and portfolio assessments

“They encourage me, they believe in me, they make sure I try and try and try and never give up. They make sure I am confident and believe in myself.”

Kendell, seventh-grade scholar
Contact us at 1-800-387-1437 ext. 6747 to learn more about bringing Scholastic Powered by BellXcel to your school, district, or community-based organization.