

# Office of Extended Learning

## *Summer Learning in Alabama*

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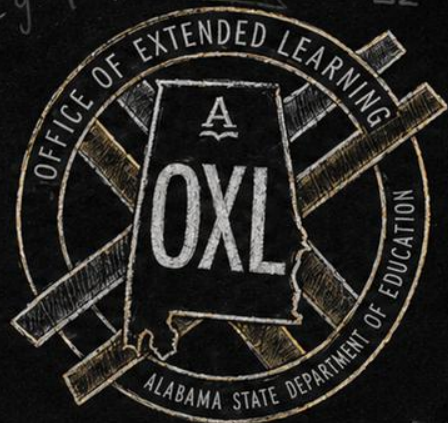
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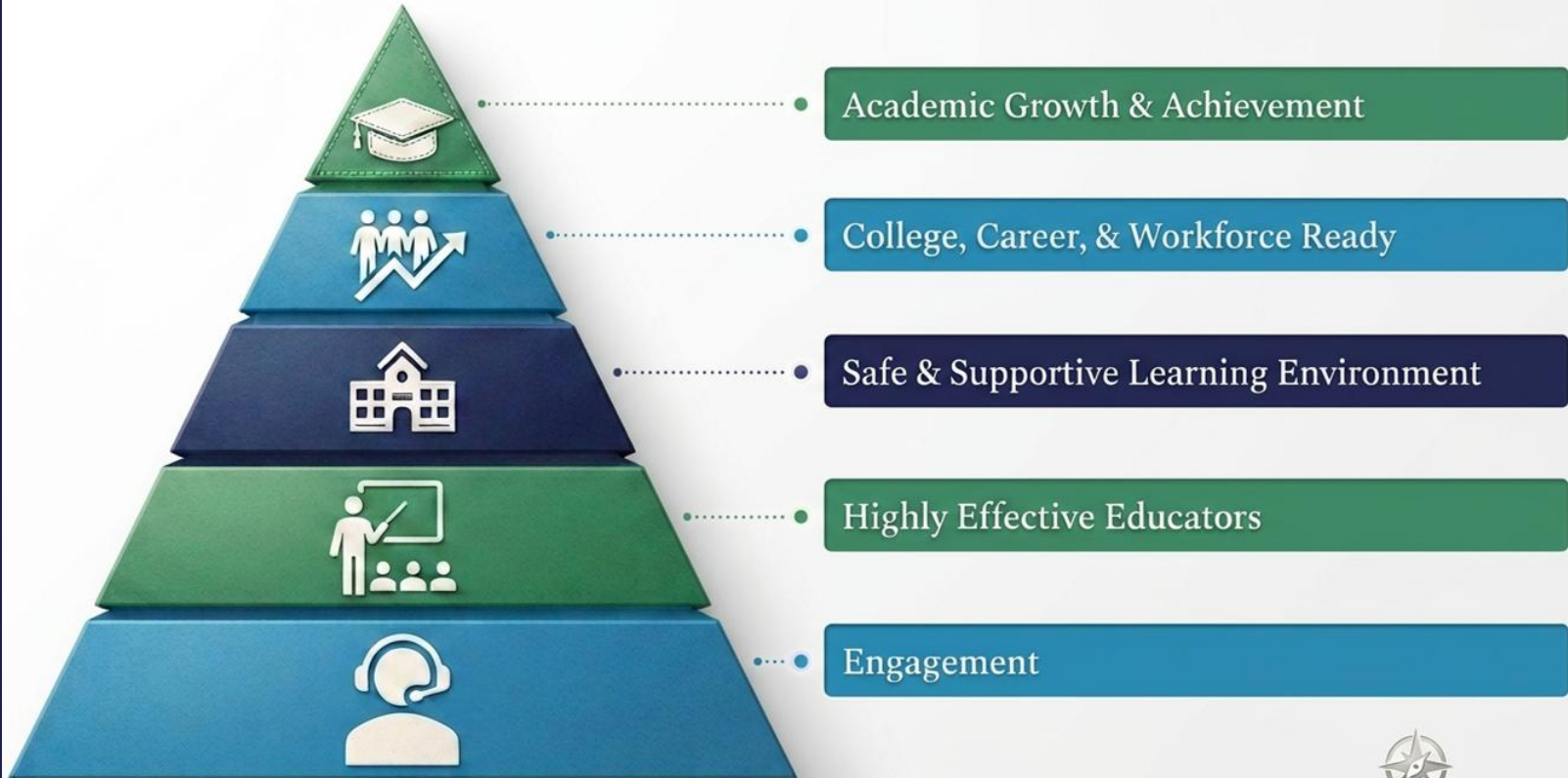
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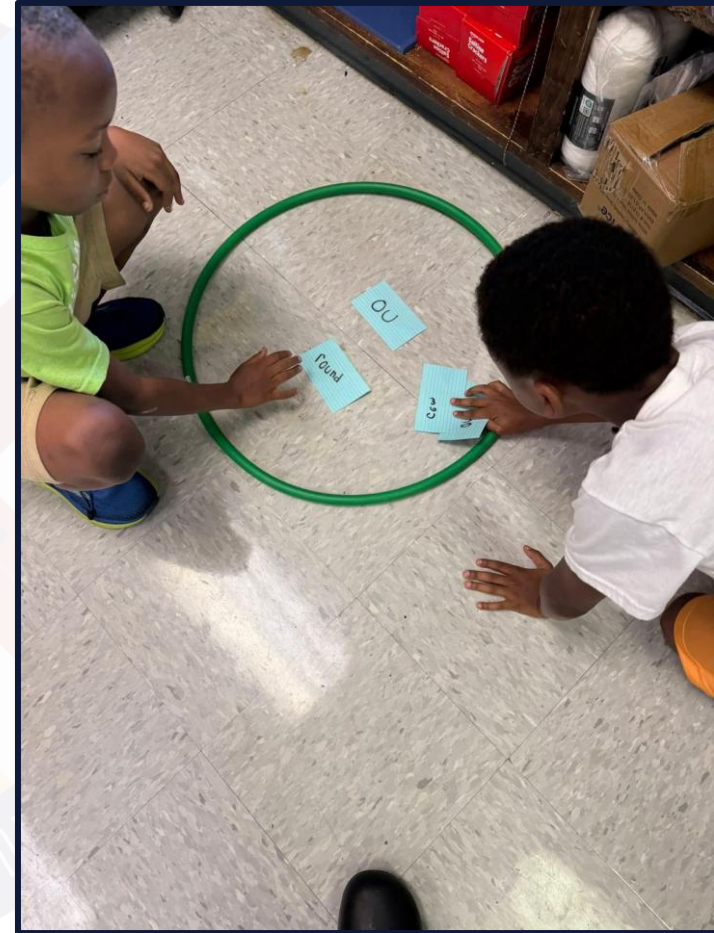


# ALABAMA ACHIEVES



# TYPES OF PROGRAMS

- ALA and ANA-Funded Summer Camps
- Before/After School Tutoring
- Extended Day Programs
- Summer Enrichment Camps
- After School Enrichment Programs
- Credit Recovery/Credit Advancement
- ASAP Grant-Funded Programs
- 21st CCLC-Funded Programs



# FUNDING STREAMS

## Education Trust Fund Allocation

- Approximately \$25M was allocated in FY26 for K-3 summer reading camps/tutoring and 4-5 summer math camps (as provided through *ALA* and *ANA*); this will be level-funded in FY27.

## Supplemental Appropriations Allocation

- \$30M from FY25 is allocated for the continuation and implementation of Pre-K-12 summer and afterschool programs; this was level-funded with FY26 funds.

## ARI Program Grants

- Funds may be utilized for multiple initiatives, including summer and afterschool; for FY27, 82% of LEAs are choosing to use a portion to fund a Local Reading Specialist to coach.

## ASAP Grant

- \$17.2M competitive grant cycle



# SUMMER READING AND MATH CAMPS

## K-3 Reading Camps

**53,519** Invited

**29,633** Attended

## 4-5 Math Camps

**20,427** Invited

**8,809** Attended

## 3rd Grade Reading

- 6,467 students scored below sufficiency
- ~7,000 students chose to attend

## Summer ACAP Supplemental Assessment

- 3,707 students took supplemental assessment
- 1,485 students passed supplemental assessment

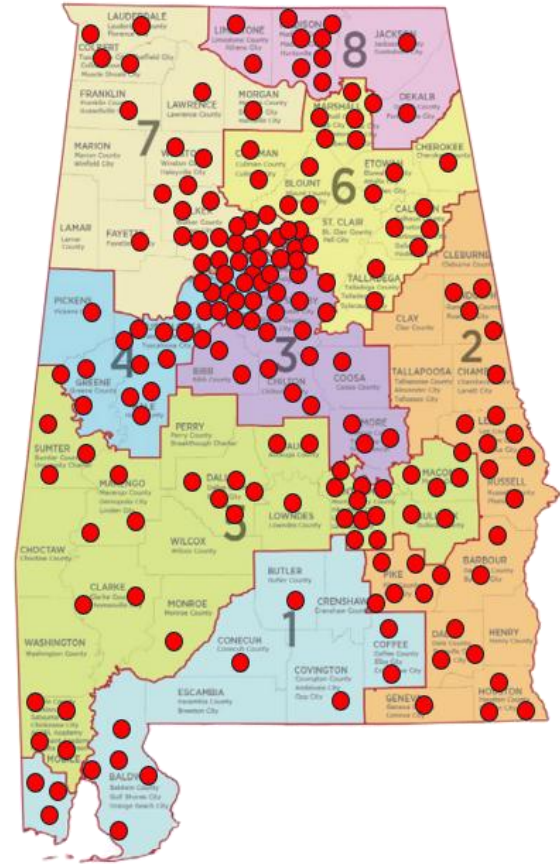
# CLAIMED

*“Throughout the program, we worked to make learning meaningful by combining literacy instruction, project-based learning, community partnerships, technology, and authentic presentations. By the end of the summer, students had not only strengthened their academic skills but had also built confidence, developed teamwork and communication skills, and taken pride in creating and presenting high-quality work. It was rewarding to see students who initially struggled become more engaged, willing to participate, and excited to share what they had accomplished.”*

# STAKEHOLD

# ASAP FY26 COMPETITIVE GRANT

- Alabama Summer and Afterschool Program (ASAP) Grant - \$17.2M was awarded in FY26 and FY27 from supplemental appropriations, an increase from \$2.5M in FY25.
- 192 applications received funding.
  - 52% partnered with a school district .
  - 65% involved a community organization.
  - 34% were Collaborative Group applications.
- Funded amounts ranged from \$18,750 to \$225,000.
- At least 11 programs in every state board district were awarded an ASAP Grant.
- On-site visits were completed with 92% of awardees.



# ASAP FY26 COMPETITIVE GRANT

## EXPENDITURES BY CATEGORY

Salaries / Benefits 61%

Instructional Materials 14%

Professional Learning 14%

Transportation 5%

**>36,843** Total Students Enrolled

\*Enrolled = attended at least 25% of program

**81%**

Average Daily Attendance

**82%**

Students Qualifying for  
Free/Reduced Lunch



# ASAP COMPETITIVE GRANT FEEDBACK

*"STEM camp taught me to be more confident in my abilities, not let anyone bring you down, not to take everything personally, and to listen effectively. Most of all, it taught me to be a leader." "I handle other opinions better than I did earlier this week. During mission one, I was very stubborn on my ideas, but for missions two and three, I was more open to others' ideas. I'll use this to be more open in the classroom and help lead a team."*

**-Wiregrass JROTC Summer Leadership Academy**

*"I really enjoyed flying/programming the drones... Scholar Camp should be longer."*

**-Jacksonville State**

**University**

*"Every day my son came home saying, 'I am a winner! I am the best!'"*

**-The**

**SMARTPLAY - Camp P.E.A.K.**

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