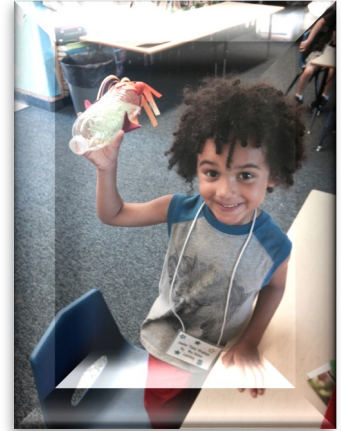


SUMMER LEARNING CAMP.... IT'S NOT YOUR TYPICAL SUMMER SCHOOL



This past summer, more than 300 students attended the Summer Learning Camp for four weeks at Grant Elementary School in an effort to prepare them for the next grade level and IMPROVE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT. This program was funded entirely with Title I monies which meant that students were able to obtain a high-quality education while the district was able to keep costs down.

Title I is a federal program that provides funds to local school districts to finance programs such as the Summer Learning Camp. While attending the Summer Learning Camp, students in grades kindergarten through the eighth grade spent their mornings focusing on math and English language arts lessons in the classroom and participated in enrichment activities in the afternoons.



During enrichment activities, students gained exposure to local businesses as they participated in on-site visits from more than ten local organizations. Some of the businesses that came to Summer Learning Camp included The Akron Zoo, The Cleveland Gladiators, the Lake County Captains, Euclid Pet Pals, NASA, the Cleveland Museum of Natural History, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, and the Willoughby Fine Arts. In addition to these groups, local volunteers assisted through their participation as “Book Buddies.” The interaction that took place between the students, local businesses and generous volunteers brought a heightened awareness of the excitement that can occur as students learn, making education more fun.

As students from the Summer Learning Camp returned to the classroom in August, the opportunities given to them through the program have assisted them to retain academic knowledge from the previous school year, prepare for the upcoming school year and ***Improve Academic Achievement.***

