



Community School Connections

June 2021

Juneteenth (short for “June Nineteenth”) honors the end of slavery in the United States. It marks the day when federal troops arrived in Galveston, Texas in 1865 with official news of the Emancipation Proclamation, which was originally issued in 1863. Celebrations in the United States typically include speeches, educational events, family gatherings and picnics, religious activities, and festivals with food, music, and dancing.

For more information and a short video explaining Juneteenth, visit

<https://www.britannica.com/topic/Juneteenth>

You can also read further into the history of the holiday at

<https://www.history.com/news/what-is-juneteenth>

It has been a unique and challenging year, **thank you** for continuing to be **Warrior Strong!** Have a wonderful summer break!!!

Ideas to Help Keep Students Engaged Over the Summer

- ◆ **Daily Journaling** – have your child keep a daily journal recording their summer experiences – this will keep reading and writing skills sharp.
- ◆ **Summer Reading**- Reading is one of the easiest ways to keep your child's mind engaged during a break from structured educational activities.
- ◆ **Advance their education**- Visit a museum of art, history, natural history or science. Go to a zoo or aquarium. You can even visit many museums virtually!
- ◆ **Get outside and explore** – A trip to the neighborhood park or a nearby forest can be a terrific learning experience and a great opportunity to stay active!
- ◆ **Volunteer** - Encourage older children to stay active in the community during the summer by volunteering for a local organization. Volunteering provides valuable experience by helping develop leadership and job skills, exposing them to potential career opportunities, and helping them make their own professional connections within their community.

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