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Opportunities for youth engagement readily available as summer approaches

Today the Common Council took final action on file #210211 - Communication from various agencies relating to programs intended to engage Milwaukee youth during the summer months. The file, brought forward by **Common Council President Cavalier Johnson** and co-sponsored by the entire Community and Economic Development Committee, sought to inform the public about the abundance of options available to engage youth as summer approaches. Alderman Johnson wants to reiterate the abundance of options available with summer quickly approaching.

“We often hear that there aren’t many options for youth engagement over the summer months, and that this lack of opportunities leads to youth getting in trouble elsewhere. One thing this communication file helped accomplish was dispelling that rumor. Plenty of options are available for youth, and we want to make sure parents and families have this wealth of knowledge on all the options out there,” he said.

The communication file included presentations regarding the Earn and Learn program, MPS Rec opportunities, and information from Beyond the Bell and several partner organizations. A replay of the conversation detailing programming options can be accessed [here](#).

Earn & Learn is a summer youth employment program aimed at preparing young people in the City of Milwaukee to enter the workforce through authentic work experience with local businesses, nonprofits, and community and faith-based organizations. Applications are still being accepted for the Community Work Experience component of Earn and Learn. Additional info can be found at <https://city.milwaukee.gov/EarnandLearn>.

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Summer Youth Programming/ADD ONE

Beyond the Bell is a collaborative effort driven by service providers, funders, youth, policy makers and public institutions all committed to ensuring that youth have access to coordinated and quality programs and services. Visit <https://www.beyondthebellmke.org/> for more info, or click [here](#) to view their summer programming presentation.

Milwaukee Recreation's mission is to enrich and strengthen the community by promoting healthy lifestyles, personal development, and fun through memorable recreational and educational experiences. A variety of summer programming options including sports, arts and more are available and additional info can be found at <https://milwaukee recreation.net/>.

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