The Easton Area Community School Full Steam Ahead Summer Learning Camp is a day camp for students in grades 1-3. The camp is a collaborative between the Easton Area School District and the Greater Valley YMCA. This program is partially funded by the United Way of the Lehigh Valley. This learning camp is designed to maintain or accelerate literacy, math and science skills for students who historically are victims of the academic summer slide.

The Structure of the program includes cross-curricular activities in Mathematics, writing, Reading, the arts and science. This multi-dimensional structure will enrich competencies in all content areas. Reading enrichment and creative activities during the summer months are imperative for early learners in order to maintain or increase academic growth that is attained throughout the school year. This camp will offer high quality, structured learning opportunities to all students through integrated and co-planned theme-based lessons. The student day consists of both breakfast and lunch, language arts, math, science, arts and recreation. This holistic model allows students to refine their skills while learning through an exploratory process. We feel strongly, that students need to feel empowered to explore topics and have a voice in the teaching and learning that takes place throughout the day.

In our Full Steam Ahead Summer Learning Camp the students are involved in a language rich interactive theme-based learning which also incorporates field trips and family events. We believe in the power of family engagement and therefore have strived to include the family in as many opportunities as possible thus encouraging the family to become active participants in their child's learning.

The end-of-the-school year STAR assessments are utilized as a factor to drive the curriculum for the summer program. Post-assessment data, captured by the fall STAR assessment, is gathered, analyzed, and shared with the home school Child Study Teams to ensure continuity of service provision.