

## **Obama's Proposal for More School**

### **Classroom Lesson Plans and Activities**

#### **Classroom Activity – Say So Long to Summer Vacation**

Students can look at a Debate on both sides of the longer school year and enter into their own discussion or debate

<http://encarta.msn.com/encnet/features/columns/?article=moreschooldefense>

#### **Classroom Activity – Should the School Year Be Lengthened?**

Facts on both sides of the question that can enable students to create their own debate

[http://www.helium.com/debates/143802-should-the-school-year-be-lengthened/side\\_by\\_side?page=1](http://www.helium.com/debates/143802-should-the-school-year-be-lengthened/side_by_side?page=1)

#### **Classroom Activity – Students Voice Their Own Opinion**

Have students write a one paper essay “Longer school year, week, hours? Your take?” Have them share their ideas. Have them then read this paper written by a student and voted the best on Yahoo! Answers.

<http://answers.yahoo.com/question/index?qid=20090927184927AAkzupV>