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Since 2021, Dufur School has provided an enriching summer school program. The program employs wonderful staff, including teachers, paraeducators, and high school interns. The program also partners with several community organizations to include amazing enrichment opportunities. For example, there have been past collaborations with BTI to bring in heavy equipment operation courses, introduction to trucking courses, flagger certification courses, first aid certification courses, and a CNA I program. We have had FlyBend land a helicopter on our football field and stay a whole day of summer school to teach students about pursuing a career in being a helicopter pilot. Without state funding, Dufur School will not be able to continue our summer school program, which is too valuable an asset to the Dufur students and community to lose.