



2019 SUMMER IMPACT REPORT

116

GRADE PK-1 SCHOLARS

4

WEEKS

5

DAYS PER WEEK

+1

AVERAGE MONTHS GAINED IN READING

85%

ADA

95

HOURS OF LITERACY

384

HOURS OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



San Bruno Park School District

This report presents outcomes of Big Lift Inspiring Summers - a holistic learning experience blending academics with enrichment, social-emotional skill development, and community engagement.

Program Goals

- For Scholars: Strengthen Language Arts and STEM skills along with social emotional development
- For Families: Promote engagement in the importance of early literacy for their children

Academics

Growth in literacy skills is an important indicator of student success and is measured via pre- and post-program assessments.

+1 average reading gains in months

Growth Mindset

Through dedication and hard work, scholars develop a love of learning by focusing on goals that are attainable.

78% of parents reported their child improved in their ability to overcome challenges

85% of teachers said scholars exhibited growth mindset

Self-Confidence

Self Confidence is the key to scholars' success in school, college, and their careers.

78% of parents reported an increase in their child's confidence

77% of teachers reported an increase in scholars' confidence

100% of parents reported their child having a more positive attitude about school

Professional Development

BellXcel empowered educators with 21st Century instructional skills and strategies they can transfer into the classroom in the school year.

80% of teachers would recommend teaching in the Inspiring Summers program to their peers

80% of teachers said teaching in the Inspiring Summers program was rewarding

80% of teachers would recommend Inspiring Summers to parents

Family Engagement

Weekly reports and events engaged parents and caregivers in their child's education.

100% of parents became more involved in their child's education

89% of parents were highly-satisfied with the Inspiring Summers program

100% of parents would recommend Inspiring Summers to other parents

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“The program allows flexibility for teachers to work individually with the Scholars in giving them a lift to the next grade.”

Program Educator



Enrichment

Teamwork, leadership and building self-confidence were woven into enrichment courses designed to foster critical 21st Century skills. Scholars were introduced to new subjects and guest speakers that opened their eyes to career pathways within their reach if they apply themselves in school:

- Creative Chemistry
- Fairy Tale Engineering
- Movement and Mindfulness
- Robotics with Dash and Dot
- Force and Friction



Field Trips & Community Engagement

Field trips, special events, and guest speakers supported learning by exposing scholars to diverse ideas, people, places, and opportunities while nurturing increased tolerance and critical-thinking skills. Experiences included:

- San Bruno Public Library
- San Bruno Police Department
- San Mateo County Board of Supervisors
- Germar the Magician
- Marine Science Mobile Lab
- Petting Zoo
- The Bug Lady
- Leah's Pantry (for parents)
- Learning Wheels (book give away)
- Guest Speakers:
 - US Congresswoman Jackie Speier
 - Ray Hernandez, Dean Skyline College
 - Dr. Bryan Vander Lugt, Research Scientist
 - Dr. Henry Sánchez, UCSF Pathologist
 - Wendy al-Mukdad, Engineer
 - Renee Callantine, Attorney
 - Scott Curtner, Banking



School Partners

- San Bruno Park School District (maintenance, business and food services)
- Belle Air Elementary School (providing classroom space and equipment)



Community Partners

- San Bruno Library and Recreation Department
- San Bruno Police & Fire Departments
- San Bruno Cable TV
- Skyline College
- San Bruno Chamber of Commerce
- San Bruno Community Foundation
- Supervisors Dave Pine and Carole Groom



Financial Supporters

- San Bruno Education Foundation
- Welch Family Partnership
- San Mateo County Measure K
- San Mateo County Libraries
- San Mateo County Board of Supervisors
- Tipping Point Community
- Anonymous donation for morning coffee service
- Silicon Valley Community Foundation
- San Mateo County Office of Education

