

West Contra Costa Public Education Fund **edFUND**

MISSION STATEMENT

The West Contra Costa Public Education Fund (Ed Fund) mobilizes resources for our students and aligns the efforts of partners to ensure that all students succeed in college, career, and life. The Ed Fund's vision is for all children and youth in West Contra Costa County to achieve their highest aspirations and help build healthy, safe, and vibrant communities for generations to come.

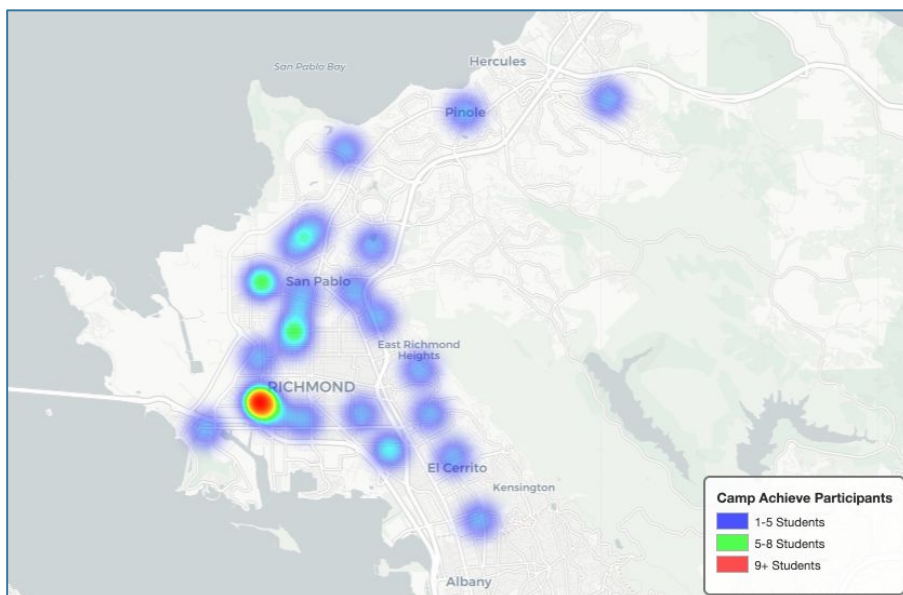
CAMP ACHIEVE PROGRAM APPROACH

The Ed Fund provides technical assistance and capacity building for the City of Richmond Recreation staff by utilizing best practices in staffing, professional development, and curriculum development. At Camp Achieve, children have trained staff who implement a comprehensive program grounded in youth development principles and designed to offer a diverse array of academic, enrichment, and physical fitness activities. Each site provides summer programming for a target number of 60 students per day.

CAMP ACHIEVE PROGRAM GOALS

- Strengthen students' reading comprehension and academic success.
- Provide access to academic supports for students who may not otherwise be able to participate in summer academic enrichment activities.

CAMP ACHIEVE PROGRAM REACH



THE CHALLENGE:

- **2+ Months:** Low-income children lose more than 2 months of reading achievement each summer.
- **Two Thirds:** Summer learning loss explains two thirds of the achievement gap between low-income and middle-income children.
- **2 Years:** By 5th grade, low-income children without summer learning opportunities are already 2 years behind more affluent peers.
- **4 Sites:** Camp Achieve directly supports the most underserved neighborhoods and public housing communities in Richmond.

TOP 10 PARTICIPANT SCHOOLS

- Lincoln Elementary
- Verde Elementary
- Stege Elementary
- Peres Elementary
- Washington Elementary
- Lake Elementary
- Mira Vista
- Highland Elementary
- King Elementary
- Dover Elementary



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PROGRAM STUDY OVERVIEW

The West Contra Costa Public Education Fund partnered with UpMetrics to co-create a study of Camp Achieve's impact on student reading levels to combat "summer slide." Participants' engagement hours in the program were tracked using UpActive. Camp Achieve participants under the age of 9, who received more intensive programming during the summer, saw their test scores improve at higher rates than did their Camp Achieve peers age 9 and older. Participants who attended more days at Camp Achieve also tended to have higher Accelerated Reader test scores than participants who attended fewer days.

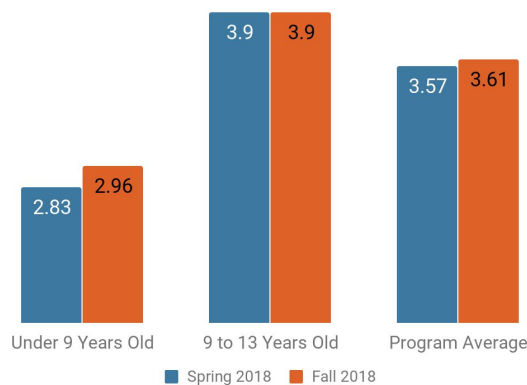
65%

of participants attended 30 or more Camp Achieve days (6 program hours per day)

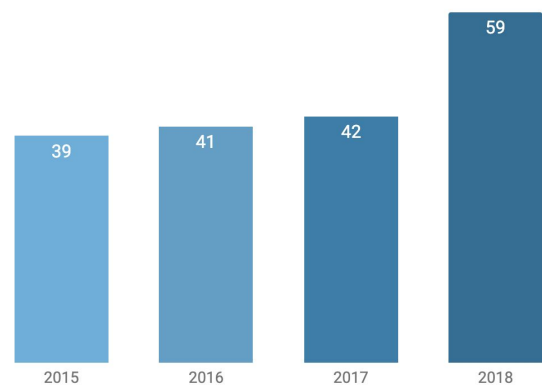
29 Days

average days attended per Camp Achieve participant (6 program hours per day)

Accelerated Reader Grade Equivalent



Average Number of Daily Participants



“ Since summer 2013, the Community Services Department has partnered with the Ed Fund to provide high quality learning and enrichment activities to Richmond youth. The Ed Fund is a stellar collaborator providing technical assistance and training to our dedicated program coordinators. The results of the partnership are evident in areas of students' weekly attendance, students' literacy gains, and parents' survey results. The Community Services Department looks forward to continuing this partnership that benefits youth in underserved neighborhoods.”

- Rochelle Polk, Community Services Director, City of Richmond

