

# GIRLS INC. OF ORANGE COUNTY LITERACY LAB

# girls inc.

## of Orange County

The Literacy Lab program was researched and developed originally through our National Resource Center and a grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation. Girls Inc. of Orange County was one of three national pilot sites for the program. At each new site Girls Inc. has been able to bring strong community support including school districts, individual administrators and teachers, and community supporters. All Literacy Lab books feature a female protagonist. **Results show...**



Girls Inc. of Orange County has been partnering with schools to provide Literacy Lab to their students since

## 2013



## 232 girls

received Literacy Lab programming across eight schools in the 2021-22 school year

Girls Inc. of OC Literacy Lab participants develop their **early literacy skills** through activities in a **safe, supportive, pro-girl environment**. Girls Inc. of OC tracks reading levels using a nationally recognized measurement tool: Acadience (formerly known as DIBELS, Dynamic Indicators of Basic Literacy Skills)

### 98%

of Girls Inc. of OC Literacy Lab participants' parents/caregivers increased their knowledge of activities that help build and reinforce literacy skills

### 88%

of Girls Inc. of OC Literacy Lab participants increased their self-efficacy and motivation as readers

### 85%

of Girls Inc. of OC Literacy Lab participants improved early literacy skills and reading proficiency



By offering Literacy Lab weekly at each site during the school year, participants receive over

## 35 hours

of literacy activities that align with CA Common Core Standards for English Language and one-on-one reading time in a school year.

Girls Inc. of OC hosted

## 8

Family Nights for caretakers to engage in literacy activities with their students and see how they have strengthened their literacy skills through Literacy Lab.



## 98%

of Girls Inc. of OC parents/caregivers agree with the statement, "I feel prepared to work on literacy activities at home with my child."



I liked that we could experience literacy as a family in order to help motivate and show our children the importance of reading.

- Parent of Literacy Lab Participant on Family Night



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