

girls
inc.

of Orange County

Spring 2025

IMPACT REPORT



Inspiring all girls to be strong, smart, and bold

School-Based Programs

In the Spring of 2025, Girls Inc. served over **1,800** participants in **24** schools across **6** districts in Orange County with school-based programming. These programs covered topics including advocacy, STEM, social-emotional learning (SEL), college readiness, healthy relationships, digital safety, conflict resolution, body image, entrepreneurship, and more.



97%

of Elementary School participants demonstrated an understanding of principles to develop and establish a viable business.

96%

of Middle School participants know how to establish boundaries in order to protect themselves online.



98%

of High School participants demonstrated knowledge of college planning requirements and preparation for post-secondary education.

Non-School Based Programs

Since early February, Girls Inc.'s **Girls Meet the Workforce** program has equipped **249** 9th–11th graders with hands-on training in college preparation, career exploration, résumé building, mock interviews, and more.



Girls Inc.'s ongoing partnerships with **Minnie Street Family Resource Center** and the **Melinda Hoag Smith Center for Healthy Living** continue to flourish, serving **130** students in the Spring with after-school programming focused on literacy, social-emotional learning (SEL), and STEM.



105 graduating seniors from Girls Inc.'s **College Bound** program were celebrated for their high school accomplishments. **\$76,000** in scholarship funds at the national and local level were awarded to 19 participants.



Non School-Based Programs

Now in its second year, the **Eureka! Council** – an extension of Girls Inc.'s Eureka! summer camp – brought together **19** members to develop leadership skills and create a community advocacy project. Their initiative, *The Teen Experience*, addressed key aspects of social life, school, and mental wellness for middle schoolers. The Council showcased their work at the Girls Inc. Summer Kickoff event.



The **HOPE (Hispanas Organized for Political Equality)** youth leadership program inspires high school Latinas by preparing them for a self-sufficient future. This spring, Girls Inc. selected **4** participants for this transformative civic engagement program, where they created a project on sexual harassment awareness in schools and presented it at Latina Action Day in Sacramento, California.



Participant Highlights

Two **Girls Inc. girls**, Sydney and Karalyn, won this year's Chapman Panther Pitch Competition for Entrepreneurs, competing primarily against college students and business professionals. As high school students, their victory is especially impressive. In an article featured in Fountain Valley Living magazine, Sydney and Karalyn credit Girls Inc. as the starting point of their **entrepreneurial journey**. Check out the full article [here!](#)



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This program impacted me by wanting me to live a healthy, drama-free life. I've learned that my body is valuable and that I should care for it. This program has helped me set boundaries with people and maintain a safe and loving environment.

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- Middle School participant

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This program has shaped me into a stronger leader and made me more aware of social injustice issues in my community and ways to contribute to change.

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- High School participant



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