

# **EDUCATOR SUPPORTED**

- 99% of educators surveyed would recommend Read Ahead to other teachers, afterschool staff, or school leaders
- 92% of educators and caregivers felt their student(s) benefited from Read Ahead

#### TOP BENEFITS MENTIONED BY EDUCATORS AND CAREGIVERS

Enjoyment of reading

Self-confidence in reading

Reading ability

Positive interactions with adults

90% of students in Read Ahead identify as BIPOC

41% of mentees come from households where English is not the primary language spoken at home

Spanish, Cantonese, and Mandarin are the other top languages spoken by families

64% of mentees have participated for two or more years





## MENTOR ENGAGEMENT

- 99% of volunteers would recommend Read Ahead to a friend or colleague
- 98% of volunteers enjoyed the experience of being a mentor
- 90% of volunteers are proud to work for a company that supports Read Ahead's mission
- 98% of volunteers have indicated they are interested in volunteering next year
  - 43% of volunteers in Read Ahead identify as BIPOC
- 32% of volunteers speak two or more languages
  - Spanish, Chinese, and French are the top languages spoken by volunteers



# SCHOOL YEAR HIGHLIGHTS

### CORPORATE ENGAGEMENT AND DONATIONS

- 180 holiday gifts and cards shared with teachers in December 2024
- 1,700 books, 139 backpacks filled with school supplies, 100 snack packs, and 100 care kits distributed to Read Ahead schools



### **PROGRAM EXTENSIONS**

- Raising Readers at Home is a pilot program offering three 1-hour workshops to families that is designed to provide quick, impactful tips for supporting developing readers at home, as well as distribute new books to help families build their home libraries
- Read Ahead provided the option to deliver the workshops in Spanish with dual language slides to support the participants who speak Spanish as their primary language at home
- After attending the workshops, 100% of surveyed participants agreed that they now:
  - Feel better prepared to support their child's reading at home
  - Have more ideas on how to excite and/or motivate their child to read
  - Have more ideas on how to increase the amount of time they will spend reading at home
  - Have more helpful books in their home library for their child's reading development

### LEXIA CORE5 ADOPTION

We adopted Lexia Core5 across all sites this year:

- Reading level data: assessed in Lexia Core5 at the start of the year, and automatically adjusted throughout the year based on student usage and performance
- Platform usage: average weekly usage of 22 minutes, with a goal of 20-25 minutes/week



What I have enjoyed most from being part of the program is building a meaningful relationship with my mentee over the school year. My mentee sharing that she both enjoys these sessions and sees the value as her English comprehension grows is what makes this program worthwhile.

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