

# read ahead

## 2025-26 MIDYEAR REPORT



### Mentees

**615** students (mentees) from eight public elementary school partners are participating in Read Ahead this year.

**66%** of mentees have participated for two or more years.



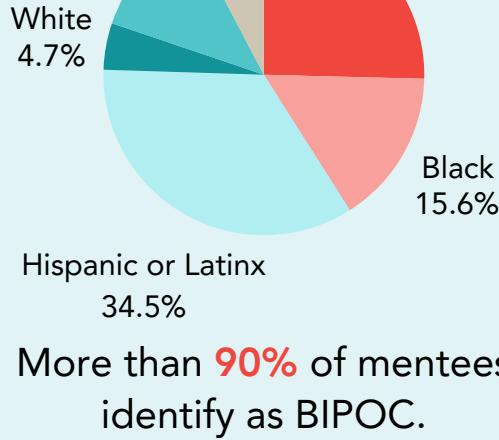
### Lexia Core5



This is our second year rolling out Lexia Core5, a research-proven program designed to accelerate literacy skill development, across all eight schools.

This year is our first time sharing Lexia Core5 access with caregivers for additional at-home usage as a resource outside of Read Ahead program sessions.

Mentees have completed **12,222** learning units so far.



More than **90%** of mentees identify as BIPOC.

**40%** of mentees come from households where English is not the primary language spoken at home.

### Attendance

**92%**

Average attendance for mentors and mentees was **92%** in the first half of the program year.

### Mentors

**977** mentors from **35** corporate and community partners volunteered for **5,012** lunchtime sessions.

### Highlights



**140** backpacks with school supplies, **350** literacy kits, and **150** snack packs delivered to partner schools last fall.

**1,450** new books gifted to our students since September, encouraging a love of reading by building their home libraries.

Celebratory in-person sessions will be held in February and May at all partner schools.

Raising Readers at Home, a workshop series focused on supporting developing readers at home, will be **expanded to three school sites** this year: P.S. 92, P.S. 111, and P.S. 67.

