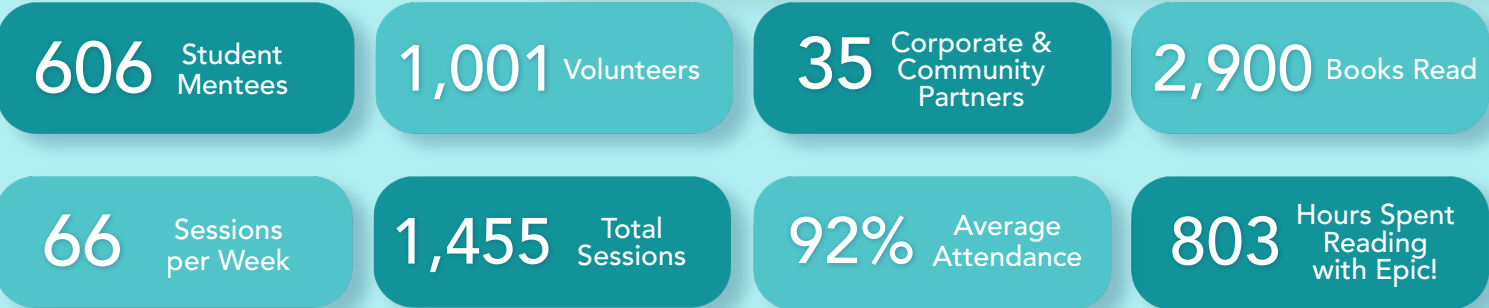


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OUR MISSION is to provide elementary school students with reading-based mentoring programs and the resources that strengthen their confidence and prepare them for future success.

2025-2026 IMPACT REPORT



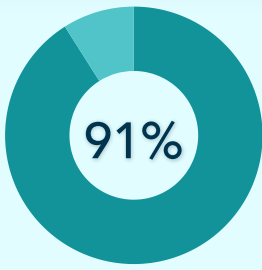
EDUCATOR SUPPORTED

- 99% of educators surveyed would recommend Read Ahead to other teachers, afterschool staff or school leaders
- 94% of educators and caregivers felt their student(s) benefited from Read Ahead

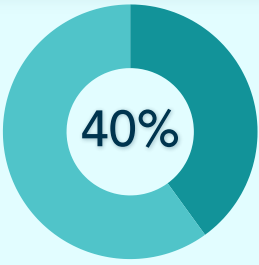
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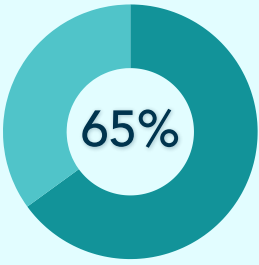
STUDENT COMMUNITY



of mentees in Read Ahead identify as BIPOC

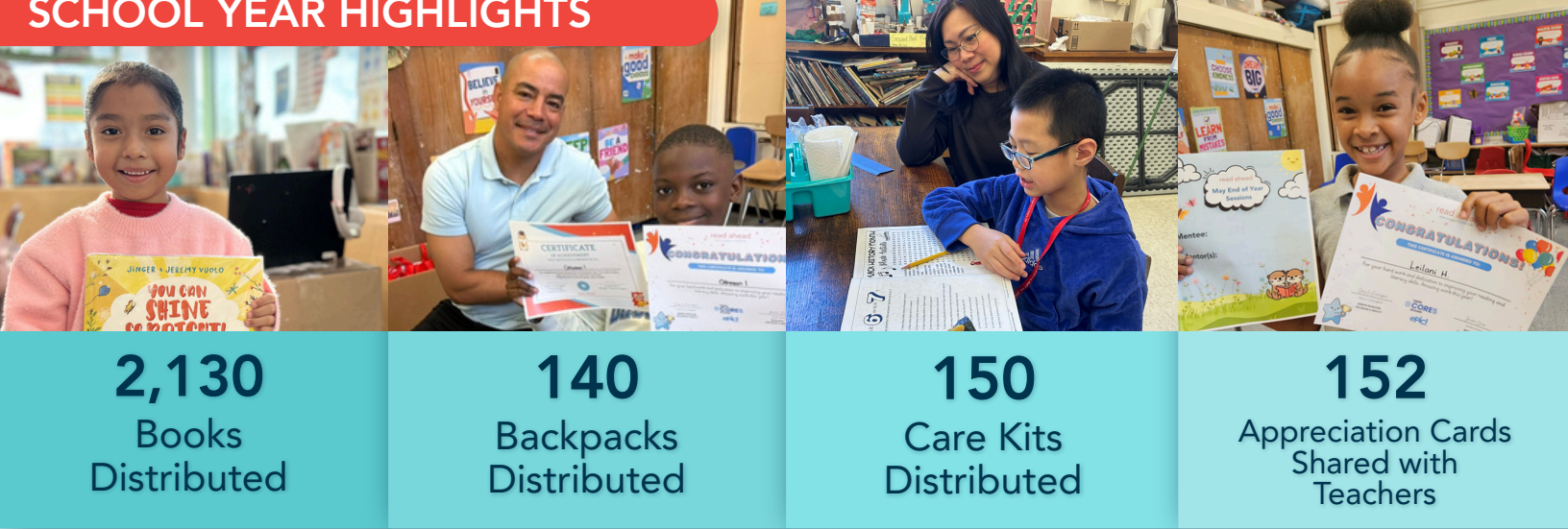


of mentees come from households where English is not the primary language spoken at home; Spanish, Cantonese and Mandarin are the other top languages spoken by families



of mentees have participated for two or more years

SCHOOL YEAR HIGHLIGHTS



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My son was truly blessed to have been in Read Ahead since 1st grade... His mentors have taught him to read slowly and thoroughly, **improved his reading comprehension, sparked his interest in reading** both fiction and nonfiction and helped his writing skills as well.

PARENT, P.S. 130 HERNANDO DE SOTO

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MENTOR ENGAGEMENT

- 98% of volunteers would recommend Read Ahead to a friend or colleague
- 97% of volunteers enjoyed the experience of being a mentor
- 97% of volunteers are proud to work for a company that supports Read Ahead’s mission
- 95% of volunteers have indicated they are interested in volunteering next year
- 37% of volunteers in Read Ahead identify as BIPOC
- 34% of volunteers speak two or more languages
 - Spanish, Chinese and French are the top languages spoken by volunteers



BUILDING LITERACY Beyond the Classroom

Read Ahead believes literacy growth doesn't stop when a mentoring session ends. This year, we expanded opportunities for students and families to **continue building reading skills at home** through Lexia Core5, an adaptive literacy platform that delivers personalized reading practice through engaging, game-based activities.

- First Lexia workshop launched for caregivers!
- 223 students advanced at least one reading level
- 100% of participating caregivers felt more prepared to support reading at home

Expanding FAMILY LITERACY

Read Ahead launched our first caregiver initiative, *Raising Readers at Home*, in 2024. Through a workshop series for families, parents and caregivers are given **powerful strategies for developing readers at home** and are provided with new books to help families build their home libraries.

- Expanded from 1 school to 3 schools!
- 1,000 books distributed to students & families
- 100% of families gained new strategies to support reading & grew their home libraries

Read Ahead envisions a world where all students have the support they need to become confident readers, helping them unlock their full potential.