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# 2021 impact report



THE MISSION

To build long-term, life-changing relationships with urban youth, equipping them to thrive and contribute to their community.

TEACHER-MENTORS  
REPRESENTATIVE  
OF STUDENTS

CROSS-AGE  
MENTORING

YEAR-ROUND  
PROGRAMMING

LONG-TERM  
RELATIONSHIP  
APPROACH



Elevate Jacksonville, an affiliate of Elevate USA, places full-time staff who are a combination of teacher, mentor and life coach into schools where they are available to their students around the clock. Embedded in the school’s curriculum, Elevate focuses on leadership and character development, a method proven in changing trends associated with high school dropouts. Our program includes classroom instruction, one-on-one mentoring, small and large group settings, and adventure activities.





“With Elevate, some of our most vulnerable, at-risk students are getting the best of both worlds inside and outside the classroom. They’re being prepared for college and career and are graduating on time.”

Dr. Diana Greene  
Superintendent,  
Duval County Public Schools

## THE STUDENTS

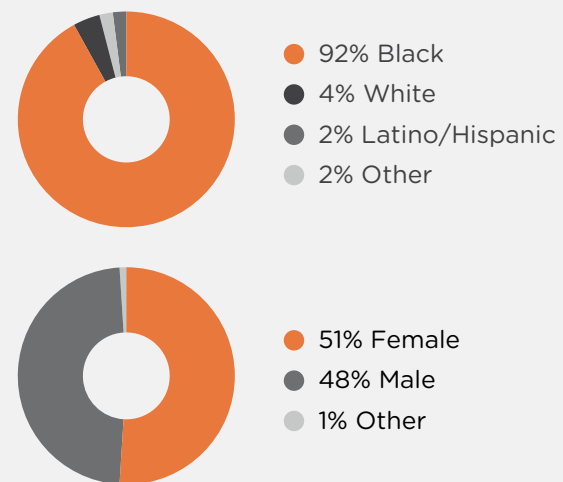
Elevate believes teacher-mentors who come from similar backgrounds as their students can have a life-altering, course-correcting influence on their lives. This impact greatly increases a child’s chance of graduating high school and making successful choices. In fact, 80 percent of Elevate Jacksonville teachers attended Duval County Public Schools.

### OVERVIEW

**750** students enrolled

**100%** students are considered economically disadvantaged; qualify for free/reduced lunch

### DEMOGRAPHICS



### PSYCHOGRAPHICS

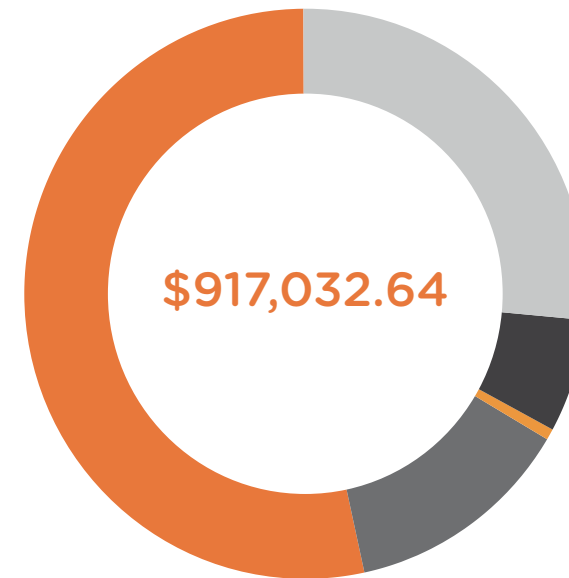
**68%** don’t live with their biological father

**52%** have a job

**80%** students engage with their teacher-mentors about life problems

**61%** report having a deep connection with their teacher-mentors

## OUR PATRONS



Other/Investments	Individuals	Businesses
\$376.30	\$489,765.55	\$59,811.10
Foundations/Grants	Events	Board
\$242,451.19	\$4,470.57	\$120,157.93

Thanks to our partners who helped make 2021 a success!

#### CORPORATE



#### COMMUNITY

ACE Mentoring	Hope Closet
Boys and Girls Clubs of Northeast Florida	Outward Bound
Church Eleven22	YMCA of Northeast Florida
Future Leader Lawyer Program	YoungLife
Girls, Inc.	YoungLives

## QUICK FACTS



14  
teacher-mentors



4 Duval  
County Schools



13 character qualities  
and life skills



\$1,200 per student  
& \$75,000 per  
teacher annually



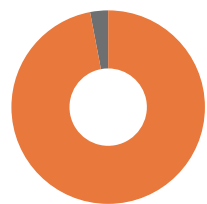
96% of students  
participate 1-on-1  
with teacher-mentors





“We’ve seen powerful results over the past few years and amazing growth in 2021. Not only are we breaking a desperate cycle, we’re changing the culture within some of our urban schools.”

**Skip Allcorn**  
Chair, Elevate Jacksonville  
Board of Directors



#### EXPENSES

- 97% Program Services
- 3% Administrative

Audited financials available on  
[elevatejacksonville.org](https://elevatejacksonville.org)

## THE PAYOFF

There’s no denying the success of the program, whether measured in academic achievement, lives changed for the better, or the cost savings to society.

### EDUCATIONAL

**100%** of seniors with postsecondary plans

**85%** on track to graduate

**76%** expect to have a great future

### SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL

**68%** aren’t afraid to try new things

**63%** achieved a goal with hard work

**47%** ask forgiveness from others they’ve hurt

**The number of smiles, hugs, laughter, and confidence levels are immeasurable.**

### CHARACTER

**72%** of students help struggling peers

**63%** do not get in trouble at school

### COMMUNITY

**45%** hold a leadership position

**51%** participate in sports or other activities

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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**No other program is integrated into the schools’ curriculum as an elective.**