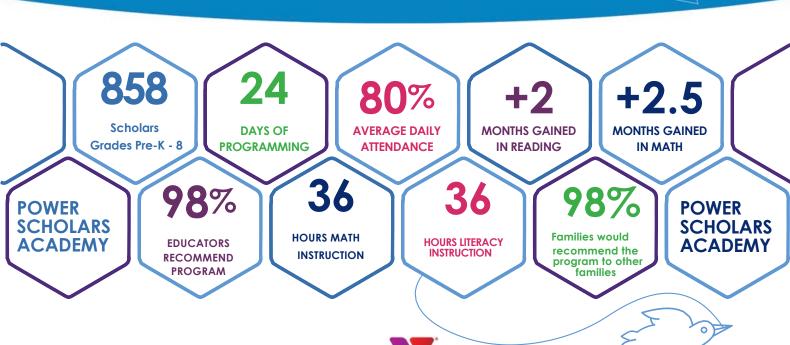
# 2022 SUMMER Impact Report



This report presents outcomes of YMCA of Central Virginia's partnership with BellXcel Summer, a holistic learning experience blending academics with enrichment, social and emotional skill development, and community engagement.

## **Program Goals**

 Provide an engaging academic and enrichment experience for all scholars and their families

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- Provide opportunity for scholars to make gains in literacy and math (\*goal of 1month)
- Provide Social and Emotional skill development to support scholar's well being
- Increase scholar confidence in learning
- Provide an engaging program for all educators and staff involved
- Engage families in their children's success
- Remove all barriers for attendance by providing all food and transportation for all scholars

#### **Professional Development**

Summer professional development, coupled with opportunities to collaborate, plan, and receive feedback, can bolster educators' school-year practices. Educators said:

**90%** The program developed their professional skills

90% Working with the program was rewarding

93% I had meaningful collaboration with fellow teachers and staff.

## **Academics**

Growth in literacy and math skills are key indicators of scholar success.

- +2 Average months gained in reading
- +2.5 Average months gained in math

## **Social Emotional Growth**

Social emotional skills are essential to academic learning and overall well-being. A love of learning is fostered by focusing on goals that are attainable through dedication and hard work. Educators said scholars:

88% Were highly engaged in the program

97% Had opportunity for voice and choice in the program

81% Became more confident in their ability to learn

#### Family Engagement

Increased family engagement is linked to higher scholar achievement. Positive partnerships lead to enriched and equitable experiences for families, youth, and staff. Families reported they:

98% Would recommend the program to another family

89% Were highly satisfied with the program

**99%** Found the program welcoming and open



"This has been one of the most rewarding experiences I have had in my 33 years of education"

PROGRAM TEACHER (Lynchburg City Schools)



## **Enrichment**

Enrichment courses foster critical 21st-century skills like teamwork and leadership, increase self-confidence, and expose scholars to new subjects, opportunities, and career paths. Scholars rotated through the following courses:

Health/Fitness STEM, Ozobots

Social Emotional Learning activities Drama

Computer based learning (coding)

Art

Lego Club Chess Club 24 Math Club



# Field Trips & Community Engagement

Field trips, special events, and guest speakers support learning by exposing scholars to diverse ideas, people, places, and opportunities, while nurturing increased tolerance and critical-thinking skills. Experiences included:

Field trip to Liberty University

Field Day

YMCA Water Safety Assembly

Virtual Field trips
Trip to Funguest

**Family Cookout** 

**James River Trip** 



# **School Partners**

Lynchburg City Schools



**Amherst County Public Schools** 





# **Community Partners**

Lynchburg Regional Water Authority

**Academy Center of the Arts** 

**Parkview Community Mission** 





