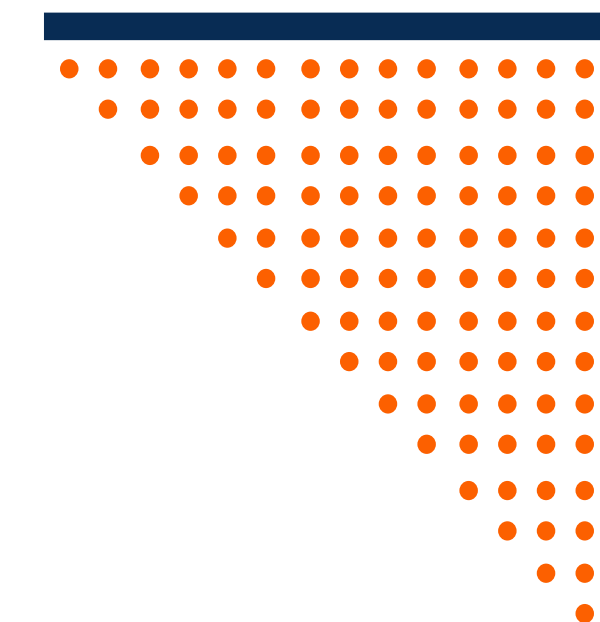
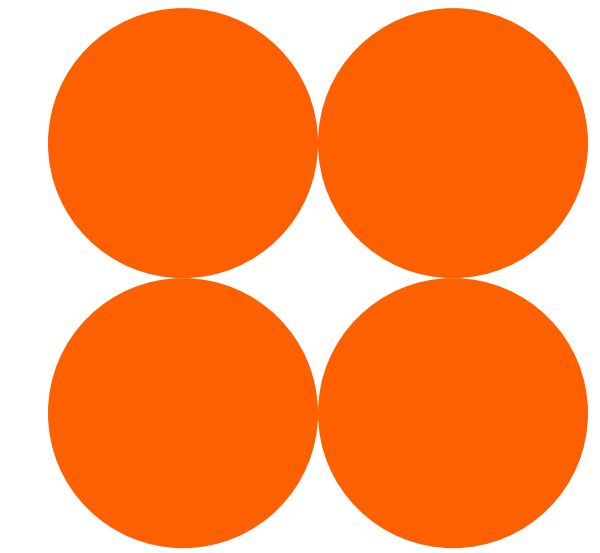
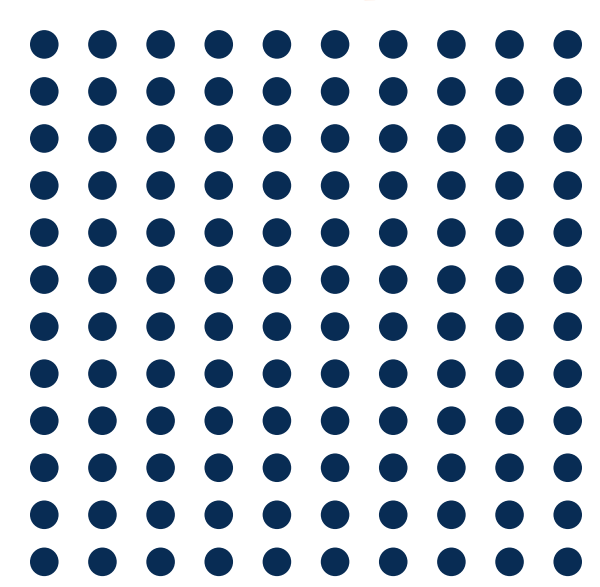
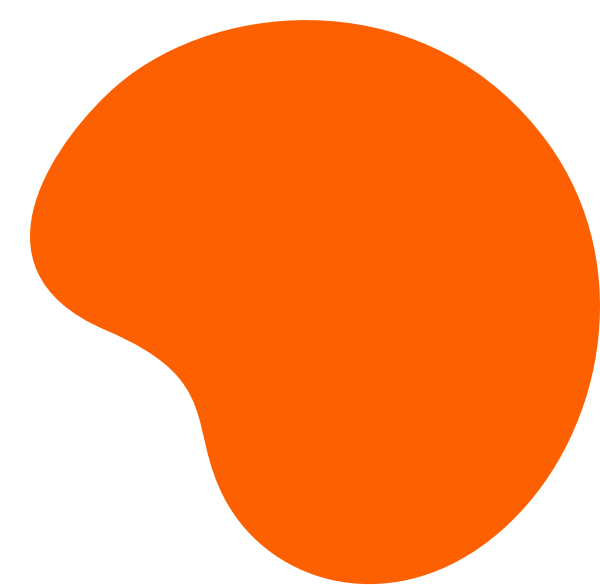


NATIONS ACADEMY
2020 - 2021



REPORT CARD



This school year brought challenges we could have never imagined.

But with your generosity, we rose to the challenge.

Sweet Marie

When Rwandan student Marie started her 4th grade school year online doing virtual school, she had a lot of questions. She wasn't sure how to do basic tasks required of her, like log in to the computer or send email assignments to her teacher. Marie also assumed a lot of the responsibility for helping her younger brother and sister do their school work as well, and often put their school needs before her own.

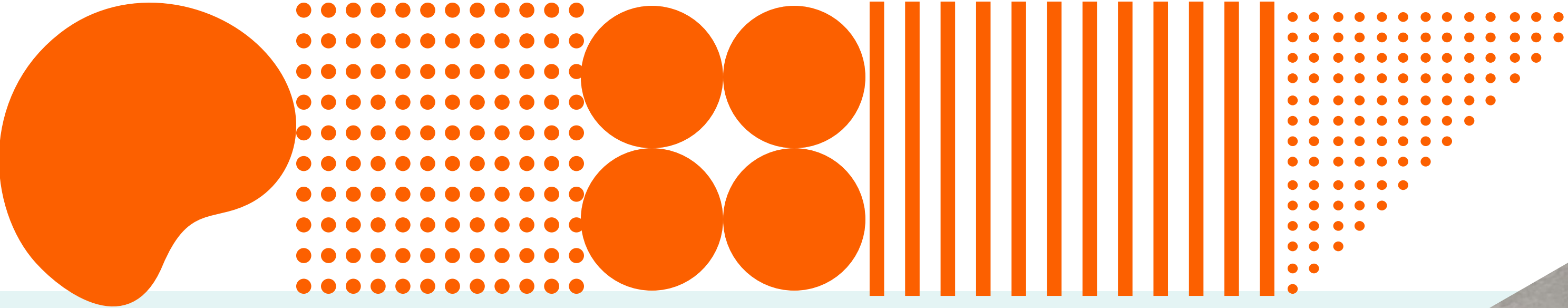
Our staff met with Marie and her family on her front porch to help navigate the barriers of technology in the virtual learning space. After many days of assisting Marie in-person and over the phone, she eventually learned how to navigate virtual schooling on her own. She successfully logged into live class meetings and was able to submit homework on her own.

When Marie started complaining of headaches and explained that her vision was blurry, we met with her mother to come up with a plan of support and provided the family with assistance in navigating getting Marie eyeglasses which enabled her to focus better in school.

Marie is known in our program and among the Tusculum staff as a committed student, a hard-worker, and generous to give of her own time to help others succeed as well. Much of this is owed to her dedication to continue learning, despite the challenges of virtual learning. We can't wait to see the amazing things Marie continues to do in middle school!



*Her name is changed for her protection.



COVID-19 Response



TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE

As the virtual school year began in August 2021, our staff assisted 81 students with setting up WIFI hotspots, acquiring laptops from the schools, learning how to login to Schoology and use Microsoft teams or Zoom to attend classes, and how to turn in homework assignments.

We also helped 13 parents and primary caregivers increase their participation in their child’s education by providing tutorials for online learning platforms like Schoology and Clever.

NUTRITION SUPPORT

A hot meal was provided daily to youth in the fall semester and a hearty snack in the spring semester through partnership with the Nashville Food Project.

Through partnership with Hillcrest United Methodist Church Food Bank and Second Harvest, 35 youth received a bag of food to take home at the end of each week.

Additional snacks were provided by One Generation Away, Hillcrest Food Bank, and Red Bicycle.

VIRTUAL HUBS

16 K-8th grade youth who were unable to navigate distance learning came to our center and received 431 hours of assistance with their virtual school day work over 31 days in the fall semester.

We helped 3 youth complete MAP testing per their teacher’s request.

83 youth received an alarm clock, wrist watch, face covering, and sweatshirt from the Predators Foundation to better prepare them for schooling during the COVID-19 pandemic.

WITH GRATITUDE

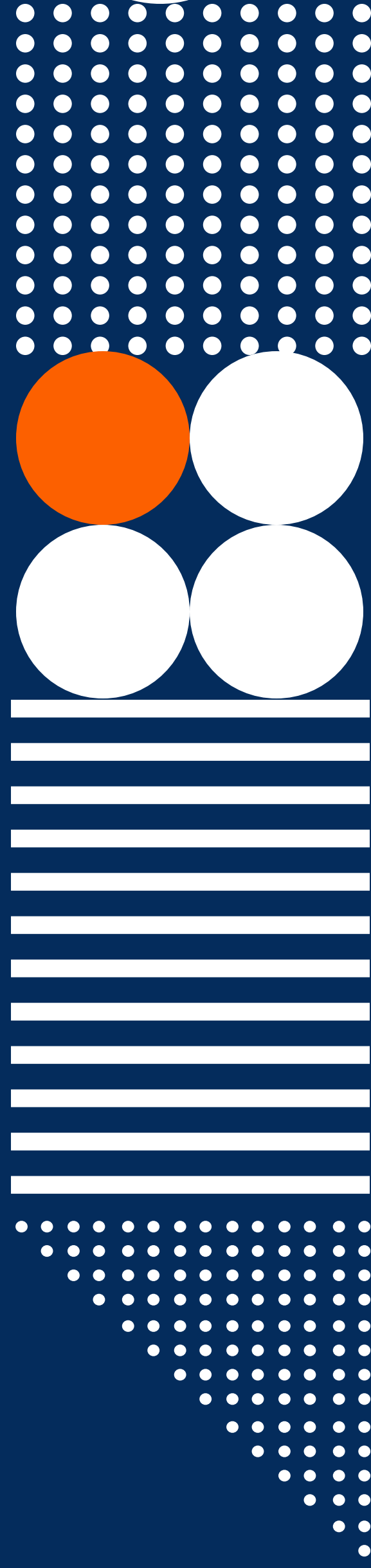
We are especially thankful to the many donors and partners who made this past year successful.

Special thanks to Hillcrest United Methodist Church for their partnership.

We are also grateful to MDHA and Nashville After Zone Alliance for substantial summer funding.



Becoming better readers.



Because of your generosity, we served children in-person as much as possible during the school year. You made literacy interventions possible and children became better readers despite the coronavirus.

Thank you.



Your School-Year Impact



110 students served in person



83% attendance rate



Received 11,785 hours of literacy instruction



110 students advanced, on average, 3.3 Lexia reading levels



61 students received 761 hours of virtual assistance



98 youth received a new pair of shoes and 2 toys

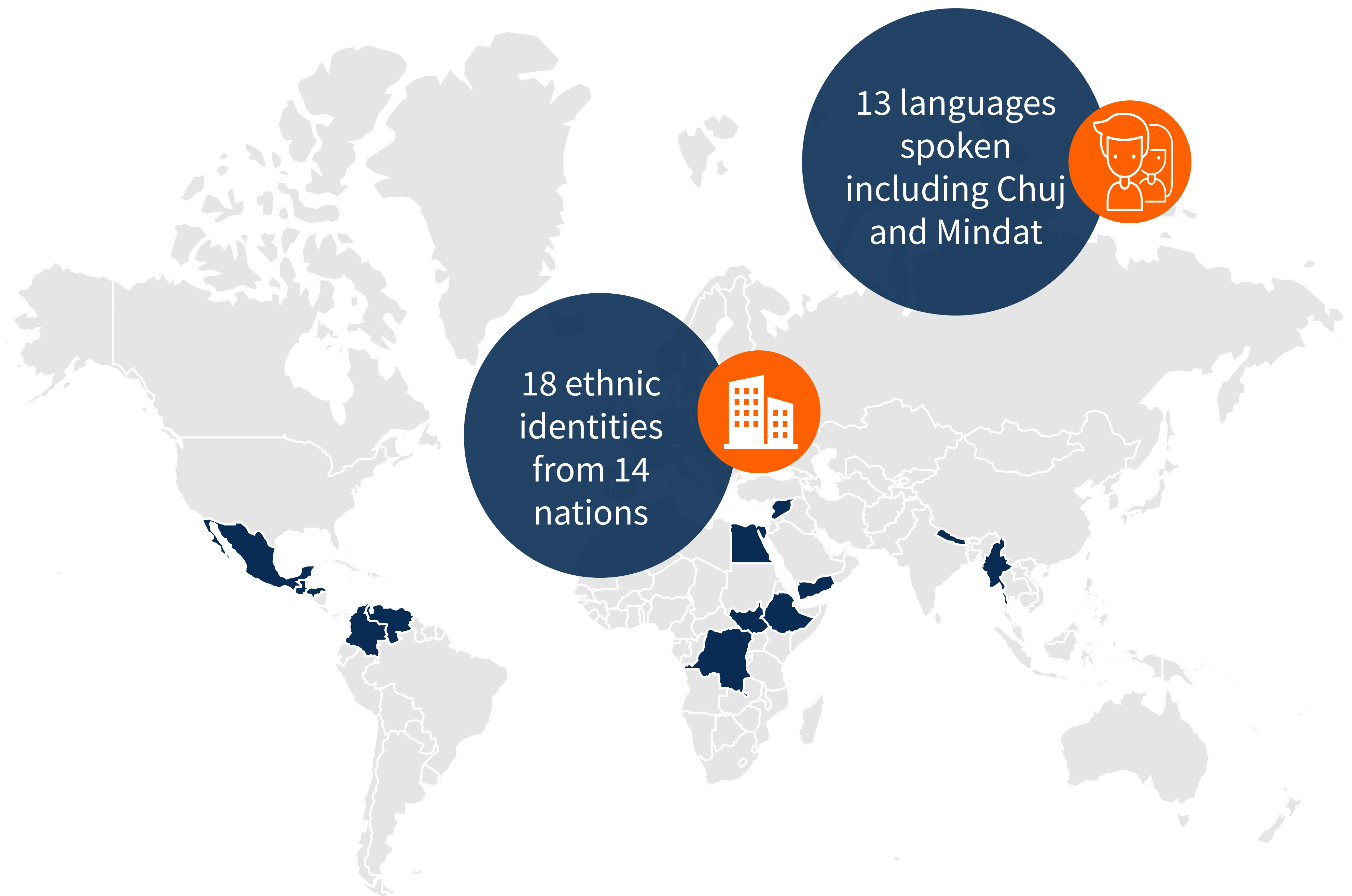


110 students advanced 94 reading grade levels



87% of students improved in at least social-emotional competency

Welcoming the world



154

students served

110

students served in person

44

served virtually and through hub

32

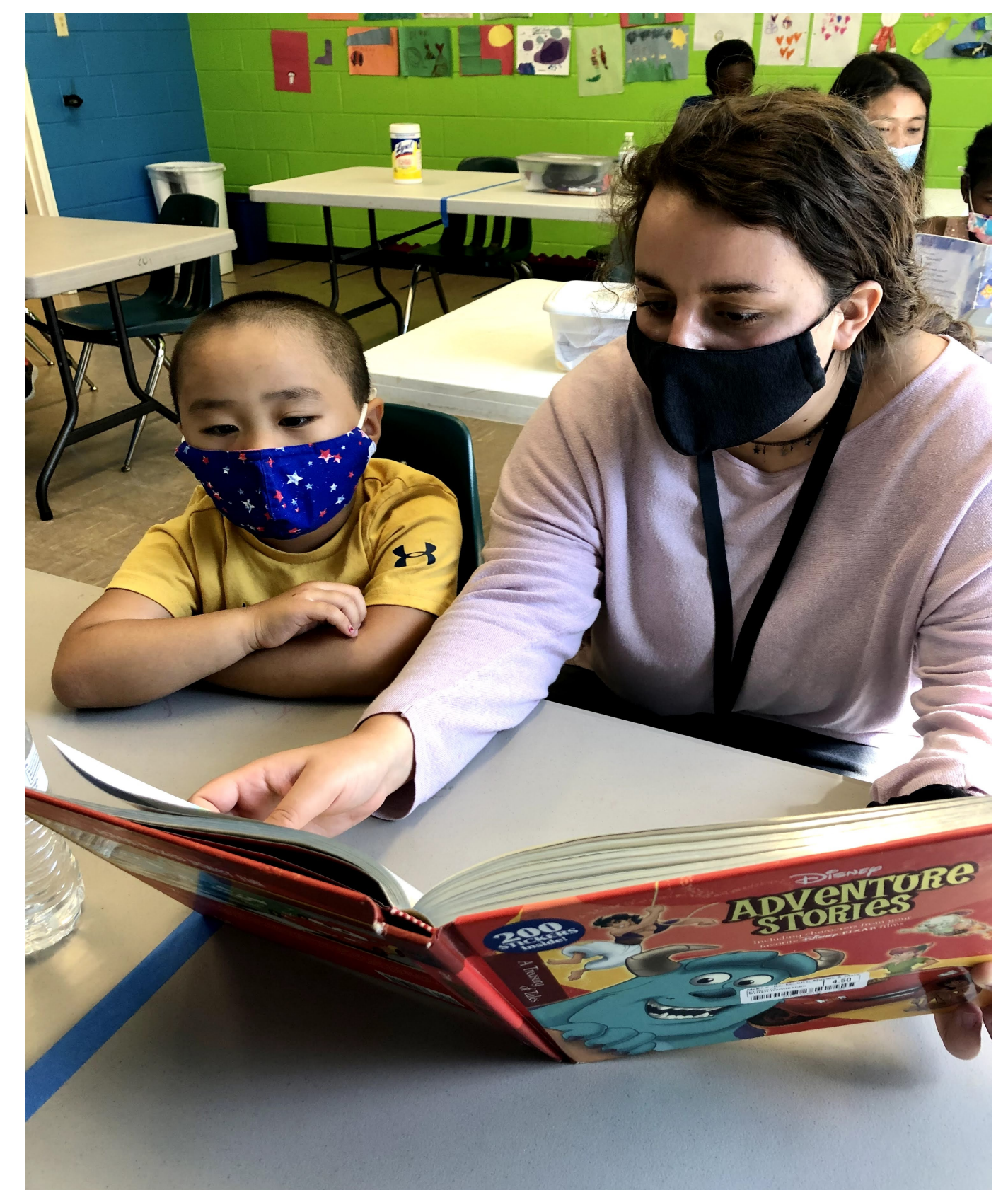
students assisted with school registration

Volunteers

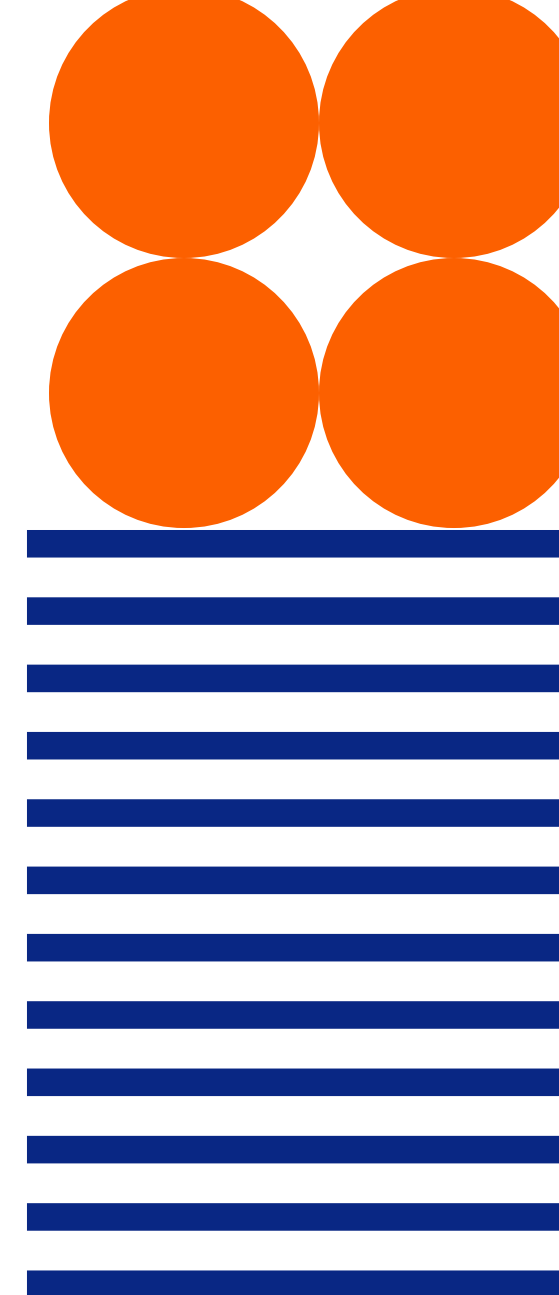
5 volunteers and 2 interns from Trevecca and Lipscomb gave 761 hours during COVID restrictions. One AmeriCorps volunteer served August-May 2021.

Over Achievers

One fifth grader Narimi spent 7,434 minutes on Lexia improving her English and advanced 3 reading grade levels in one year. Vachine, a 6th grader, advanced 17 levels on Lexia PowerUp.



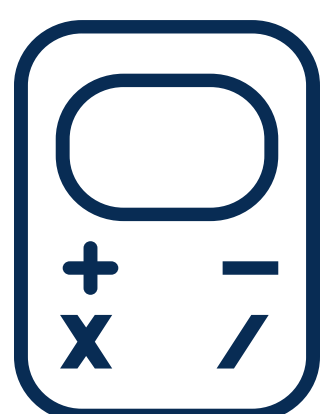
Summer 2021



In our largest summer program ever, together we served 149 children, 100% increase over last year. Their accomplishments are amazing!



141 students spent 79,197 minutes on Lexia, a targeted-content literacy program, and improved, on average, 1.61 Lexia reading levels.



81 students answered 24,947 math problems.



103 children improved in at least one social-emotional learning competency as measured by the DESSA system, a nationally-recognized and evidence-based assessment tool.



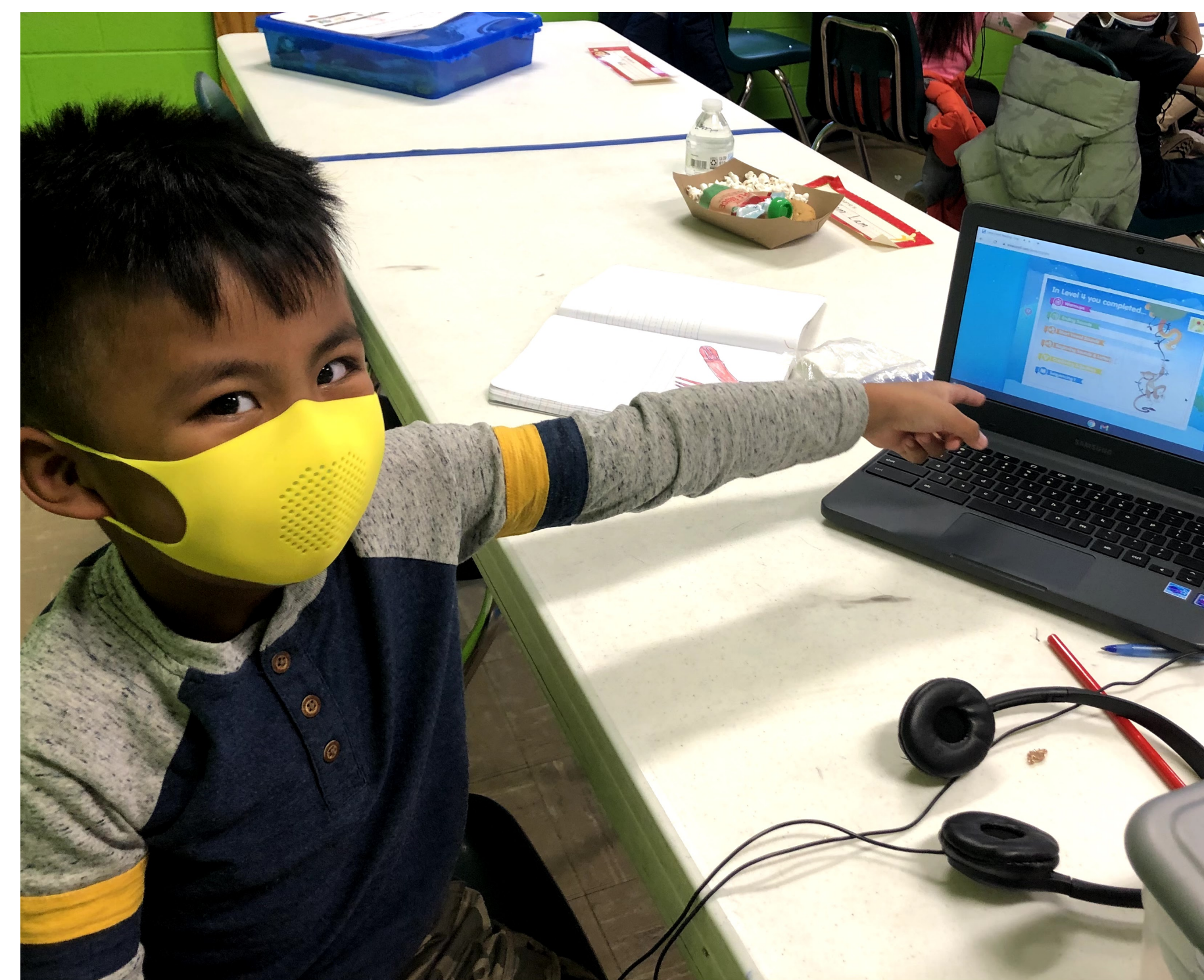
Children were given 248 books to take home to read and enjoy. Youth spent 30 minutes every day in supervised reading.



12 students had perfect summer attendance.

And we had a lot of fun!

- Long Hunter State Park
- Family Golf Center
- Nashville Zoo
- Kayaking
- Inflatable obstacle course
- Four local parks
- NASA scientist and a neuroscientist as guest speakers
- soccer training session with Belmont soccer coach
- Painting kindness rocks with Westminster Presbyterian Church



1,134

service hours by
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