



# SUMMER LEARNING LABS

2024 PROGRAM REPORT



## About Summer Learning Labs

In 2021, Indy Summer Learning Labs (ISLL) was created by The Mind Trust and United Way of Central Indiana to combat the significant learning loss caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. In 2024, The Mind Trust assumed full program management and partnered with the Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) to replicate ISLL to four regions across Indiana through the Expanding What Works grant program.

Summer Learning Labs (SLL) encompass every program region that adheres to the core principles of Indy Summer Learning Labs. In each region, anchor partners serve as the principal program coordinator, recruiting site partners, ensuring proper staffing, and are responsible for overall program management in their service area.

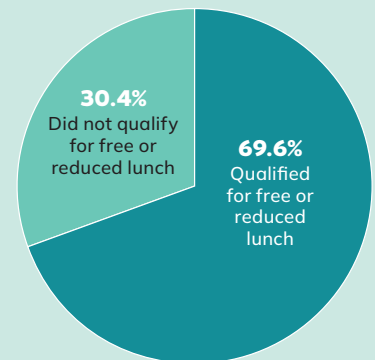
### All Summer Learning Labs follow three core principles:

**A focus on acceleration:** The SLL English Language Arts (ELA) and math curriculum is focused on accelerated learning, rather than remediation. Created by Lavinia Group, the curriculum is aligned to Indiana state standards, promotes critical thinking skills, and is grounded in the science of reading.

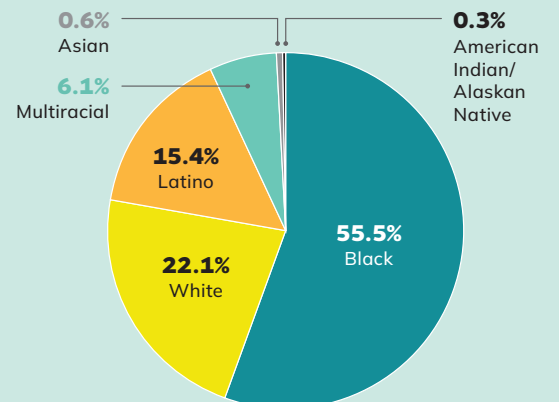
**Reaching the highest-need students:** Since the program began in 2021, it has aimed to serve students who may not have access to a high-quality summer program. This remains an essential commitment for anchor partners. The vast majority of sites are free to attend and all offer breakfast and lunch each day.

**Community and school partnerships:** A hallmark of SLL is the inclusion of community organizations as site partners, along with individual schools and districts. Community centers, churches, and youth-serving nonprofits have hosted sites. Families have shared that they appreciate program options in their neighborhood that they already know and trust.

### 2024 PROGRAM-WIDE ENROLLMENT INCOME BREAKDOWN



### 2024 PROGRAM-WIDE ENROLLMENT RACIAL DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN





## About Summer Learning Labs, continued

### Current and Future Funding for Summer Learning Labs

IDOE's Student Learning Recovery Grant Program was created in 2021 through House Enrolled Act 1008 to address learning loss caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. This grant has served as the primary funding source for all SLL locations. Funding exists for programming in 2025 through the Student Learning Recovery Grant; however, additional funding is needed to maintain and grow the number of students served in 2025, and to sustain the program in future years.

### 2024 Results Show Replication of ISLL Works

Expanding What Works regions in 2024 demonstrated proof of scalability for the program model. The four expansion sites outside of Indianapolis that replicated the ISLL model of daily instruction using a high-quality, accelerated curriculum made similarly strong math and ELA learning gains in their first year to those of the flagship ISLL program in its fourth year.

### 2024 PERCENTAGE POINT GAIN IN PROFICIENT SCORE FROM PRE- AND POST-TEST, ELA

REGION	ELA OVERALL	ELA BLACK	ELA LATINO	ELA WHITE	ELA FRL	ELA ELL
All Expanding What Works Regions	27%	22%	26%	29%	27%	12%
Indy Summer Learning Labs	26%	26%	29%	34%	26%	23%

### 2024 PERCENTAGE POINT GAIN IN PROFICIENT SCORE FROM PRE- AND POST-TEST, MATH

REGION	MATH OVERALL	MATH BLACK	MATH LATINO	MATH WHITE	MATH FRL	MATH ELL
All Expanding What Works Regions	23%	21%	26%	23%	23%	24%
Indy Summer Learning Labs	24%	25%	27%	22%	25%	25%

FRL: Students qualifying for free or reduced lunch  
ELL: Students who are English Language Learners



## 2024 SUMMER LEARNING LAB LOCATIONS

- Northwest Summer Learning Labs**  
**Anchor Partners:** Urban League of Northwest Indiana and DHB & Associates  
**Service Areas:** Gary, Merrillville, East Chicago, and Hobart, Indiana
- BGC Summer Learning Labs**  
**Anchor Partner:** Boys & Girls Clubs of Northern Indiana Corridor  
**Service Areas:** Huntington, Logansport, Mishawaka, Monticello, Seymour, South Bend, and Walkerton, Indiana
- Wabash Summer Learning Labs**  
**Anchor Partner:** Wabash County YMCA  
**Service Areas:** North Manchester and Wabash, Indiana
- Indy Summer Learning Labs**  
**Anchor Partner:** The Mind Trust  
**Service Areas:** Center and Decatur Townships in Indianapolis
- Southeast Summer Learning Labs**  
**Anchor Partner:** Creating Avenues for Student Transformation (CAST)  
**Service Areas:** Salem and New Pekin, Indiana



Scan this QR code to see academic results, demographics, and more information about each 2024 SLL program region.