

BUILDING A MORE

RESILIENT

GENERATION



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JOIN OUR MOVEMENT. BE A CHAMPION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

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Why Now?

In just two short years, a generation of young people has stood witness to the COVID-19 pandemic, the murder of George Floyd, and ongoing senseless shootings at schools just like theirs. They are seeking resilience skills and a sense of belonging to make them whole. **Outward Bound is working with communities to address an elevated need for social and emotional learning and support.**

Why Outward Bound?

We believe that the confidence and resiliency skills students discover during their Outward Bound experience inspire bolder futures and are antidotes to challenges they face, today and tomorrow. Outward Bound educational programs across the USA are life-changing. Students demonstrate long-term outcomes that include **self-actualization, social responsibility, and leadership, leading to stronger educational and career aspirations and achievement.** The nationwide need for those critical social and emotional skills is more urgent than ever.

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REGIONAL SCHOOLS

400+

PARTNERSHIPS

45,000

STUDENTS ANNUALLY



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Opportunity for Impact

Research has proven that young people who have stronger social and emotional skills are more likely to:

Enter and graduate from college

Succeed in their careers

Have positive work and family relationship

Experience better mental and physical health

Become more engaged, compassionate participants in their communities. (The National Commission on Social, Emotional, & Academic Development, 2019)

“I can work more effectively in a group.”

74%

“I have gained courage to face challenges.”

86%

Student Outcomes Survey Highlights: Results reflect the percentage of students who agreed with the following statements after completing their Outward Bound course. Students also reported the greatest degree of positive change on measures of Group Relationships, Perseverance, Teamwork, and Learning Interest.

Engine for

Outward Bound is translating research-based best practices into professional learning. Outward Bound's vision is to **scale and replicate a proven educational program model for young people in more communities nationwide over the next 10 years.** Over the last five years, we have studied the national education landscape and made significant investments to align Outward Bound programming to meet the ever-expanding needs of young people and their educational systems.

With a goal to enhance Outward Bound's community-based partnerships, we collect and analyze data on program delivery and student outcomes to continuously improve programs and professional learning. **We are setting the standard for social and emotional learning in out-of-school time settings.**

The Domains of Thriving (DoT) framework and tool (right) combines Outward Bound's 60 years of experience facilitating life-changing experiences with the latest insight and research on social-emotional development. The (DoT) highlights the four areas of human development that are impacted on an Outward Bound course: Courage, Belonging, Reflection, and Physical Engagement.



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In alignment with Outward Bound USA's commitment to rethink how to approach education in partnerships with schools and communities, a collaboration with the Partners in Education and Resilience (PEAR) led by Gil G. Noam, Ed.D., Associate Professor at Harvard Medical School is bolstering the credibility of Outward Bound as a **world-class educational organization.**



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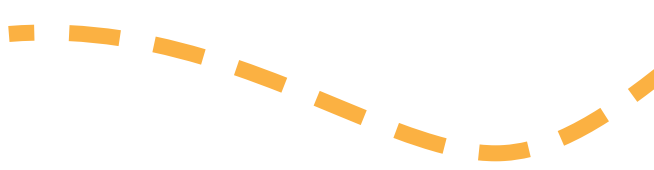


Strategic Approach to

Community-Based Partnerships

Over 50 million students attend public schools in the U.S.¹. A large proportion of Outward Bound's programming is already dedicated to community- and school-based partnerships. These partnerships provide an opportunity for Outward Bound to fulfill its mission of greater access and opportunities for all and most importantly, **inspire a generation of young people to lead with compassion and inner strength.**

Outward Bound has been a force for good for 60 years in communities coast to coast. Outward Bound USA builds learning resources for Outward Bound Schools to more effectively:






Learn from the community and engage local educational experts

Meet partners where they are with a shared vision and aligned program goals

Create ease of access for more community partners

Develop a continuous cadence of education from pre- to post-program to support positive learning environments for every student

Achieve buy-in with measurable outcome-driven models focused on social and emotional impacts



Millions and millions of young people around the country yearn for a sense of belonging. Some seek support, some seek direction, and some just want to explore.

**We are there for them,
meeting them where they are
with opportunities to
discover their potential.**

Outward Bound gives:

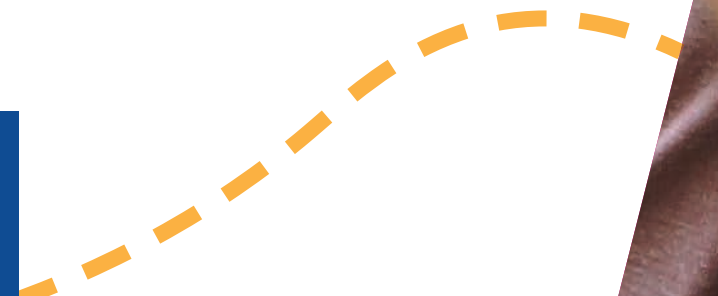
Students access to experiences that open the great outdoors and build school and career-ready life skills

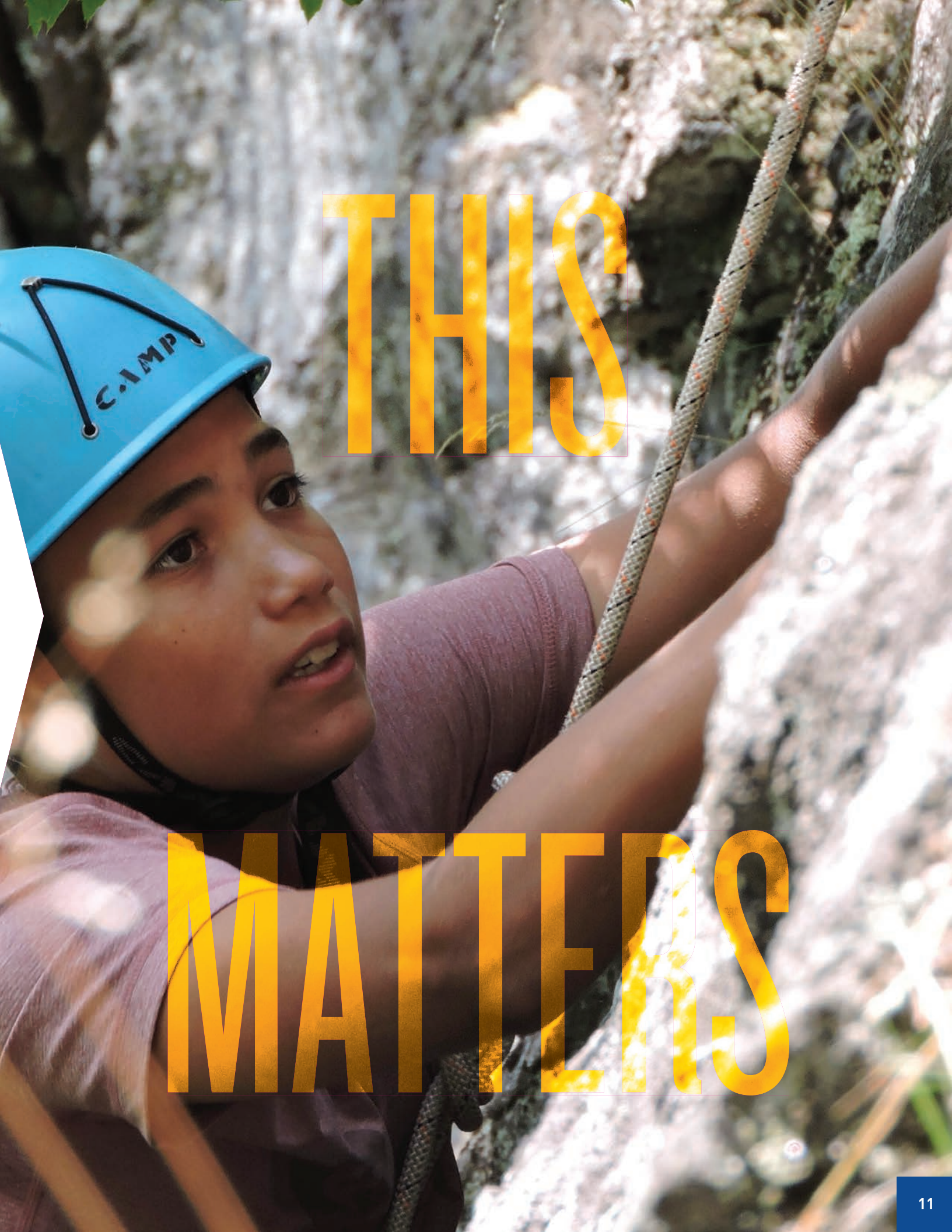
Schools innovative data-driven programs to support and sustain the social and emotional learning of their students

Community partners catalyst learning opportunities that add impact to their youth-development missions



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