



LEARNING HAPPENS ALL THE TIME

AND ACROSS MANY DIFFERENT SPACES – AT SCHOOLS, PARKS,
MUSEUMS, RECREATION CENTERS, LIBRARIES, CHURCHES AND ONLINE.

Dallas City of Learning (DCoL) creates a citywide network of out of school time learning experiences that help students discover new interests, develop skills and create pathways to future success. From aviation to photography to artificial intelligence, DCoL offers learning opportunities to youth throughout the entire city of Dallas.





WHY WE DO IT:

CLOSE THE OPPORTUNITY GAP BY PREVENTING SUMMER LEARNING LOSS

Kids spend 80% of their waking hours outside of the classroom, yet opportunities for high quality out of school time learning experiences aren't available to many learners. By 6th grade, kids from middle and higher income families have benefitted from 6,000 more hours of enrichment compared to their lower income peers. Dallas City of Learning (DCoL) makes a wide range of learning opportunities visible and accessible to more young people and their families.

WHO WE ARE

DCoL is a public-private citywide partnership, led by the City of Dallas Mayor's Office, Dallas Independent School District and Big Thought, that ensures all students have access to high quality out of school time learning experiences through a powerful network of neighborhood, community and city partners to connect students to valuable local and digital resources. The DCoL ecosystem is supported by more than 700 partners including

- City agencies
- School campuses
- Businesses
- Universities
- Education, arts, cultural and youth organizations
- Neighborhood organizations
- Foundations

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ABOUT DALLAS CITY OF LEARNING

WHO WE SERVE

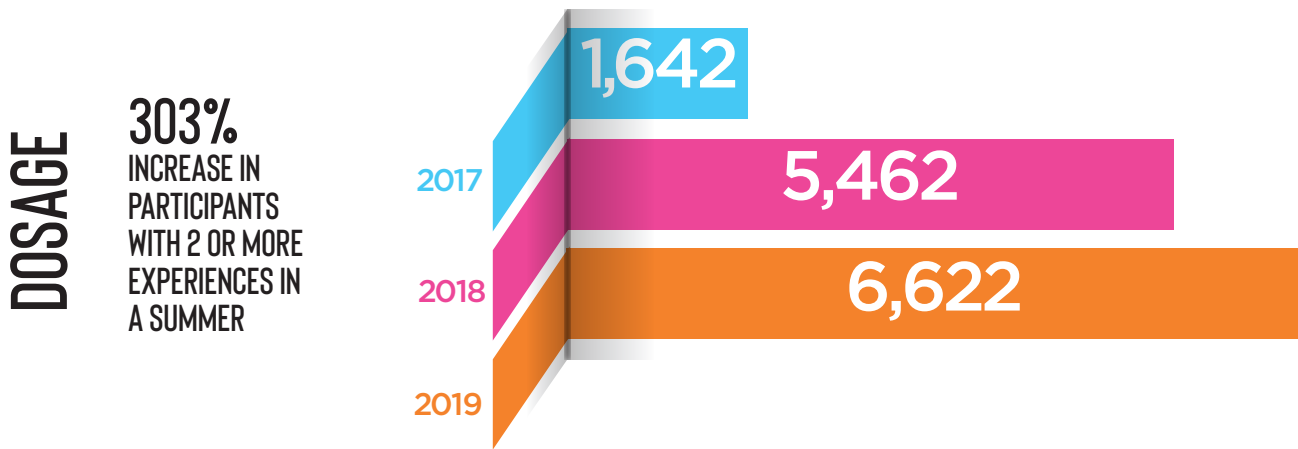
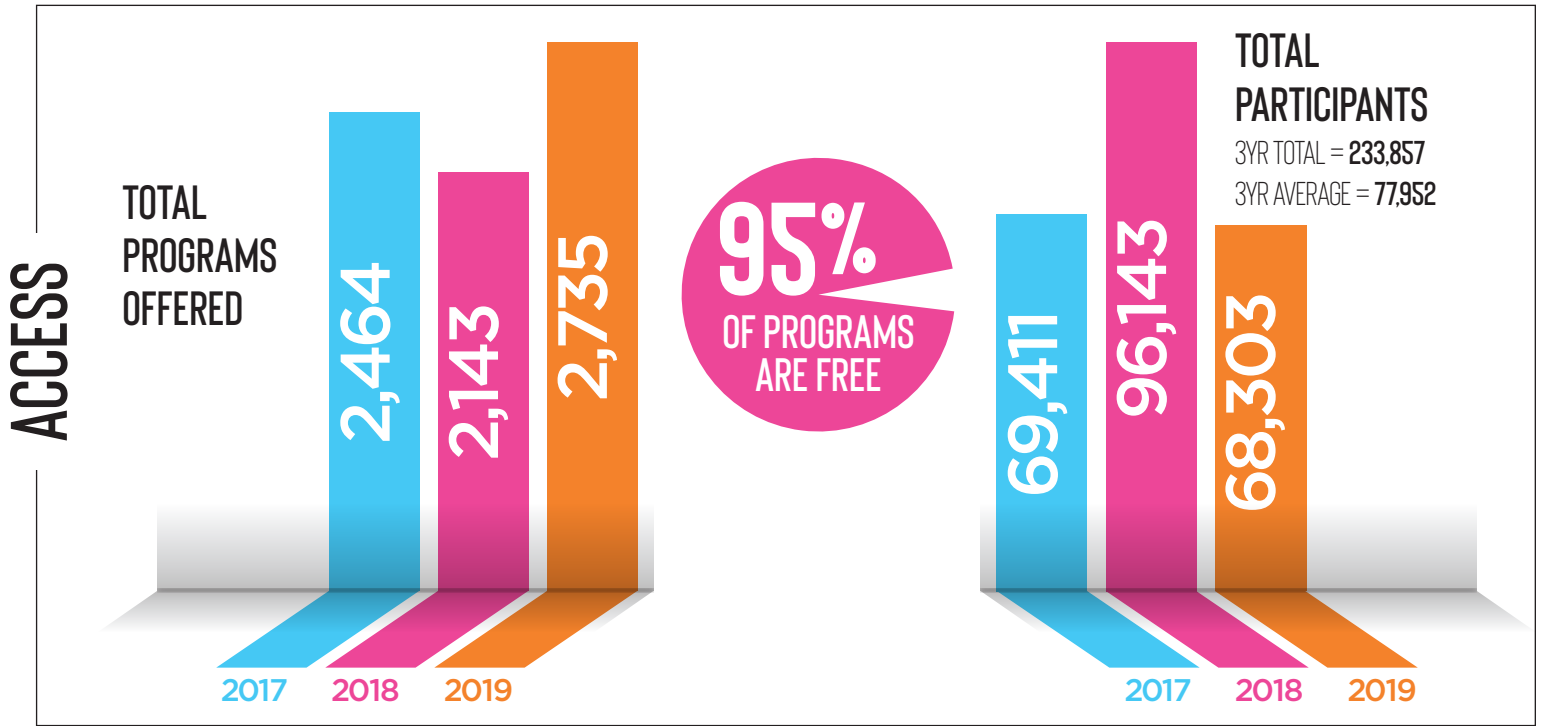
DCoL serves young people of all ages in the city of Dallas and neighboring cities, with special focus on areas with historically limited enrichment opportunities. Over the past three years, DCoL has reached more than 76,500 students each summer from youth in pre-kindergarten through 12th grade.



HOW WE DO IT

- ▶ Bringing together Dallas' out of school time learning resources to help students pursue their individual interests and develop knowledge and skills
- ▶ Creating and maintaining a robust program discovery website that includes a comprehensive inventory of youth programs
- ▶ Breaking down barriers to access by addressing program deserts, providing transportation, maintaining low costs and improving access to technology resources
- ▶ Creating a culture that values all learning by encouraging and tracking informal learning wherever it happens

IN EVALUATING DALLAS CITY OF LEARNING, WE FOCUS ON THREE KEY AREAS



GET INVOLVED

Become a program partner, search for programs or make a donation online at dallascityoflearning.org.

