The Hispanic Foundation College Success Programs' primary objectives are to contribute to higher high school and college graduation rates by making supplemental learning programs more accessible to students in underserved communities. These programs aim to improve college readiness, increase student and parent knowledge about the college journey, increase students’ interest and excitement in STEM careers, and increase the number of Latinos employed in the STEM industry.
Milestones

- Collaborated with 18 program partners, 3 being new program partners and initiatives: Eastside Education Initiative, The Tech Interactive, and EveryoneOn.
- Supported 57 schools and school districts across Santa Clara and San Mateo County.

Annual Summary: 2022-2023

- Total participants served: 2,835
- Total repeat visits: 4,500+
- Total graduates: 2,564

Santa Clara County Schools

ACE Charter Schools
Adelante Dual Language Academy
Alum Rock Union Elementary School District
Aptitude Elementary School
August Boeger Middle School
Ben Painter Elementary School
Breakthrough Silicon Valley
Bridges Academy
Cristo Rey Network
DCP Alum Rock High School
DCP Alum Rock Middle School
DCP El Camino MS
DCP El Primero
East Side Union High School District
Franklin McKinley Union School District
Gilroy Unified School District
Hoover Middle School
Hubbard Media Arts Academy
Ida Jew Academy
KIPP Heartwood
KIPP Heritage
KIPP Navigate
KIPP Priza
KIPP San Jose Collegiate
Latino College Prep Academy
Los Altos High School
LUCHA
Luis Valdez Leadership Academy
McCollum Elementary School
McKinley Elementary School
Mountain View-Los Altos Union High School District
Mt. Pleasant Elementary School District
Mt. Pleasant High School
Oak Grove High School
Overfelt High School
Roberto Cruz Leadership Academy
Russo/McEntee Academy
Ryan STEAM Academy
San Jose Unified School District
Santa Clara Unified School District
Silver Creek High School
St. Patrick School
Valle Vista Elementary
Voices Franklin-McKinley
Yerba Buena High School

San Mateo County Schools

Adelante Selby Spanish Immersion School
Bayshore Elementary School District
Carlmont High School
Clifford School
Costaño Elementary
East Palo Alto Academy
Garfield School
Henry Ford Elementary School
Hoover Elementary School
John F. Kennedy Middle School
KIPP Esperanza High
KIPP Excelencia
KIPP Valiant
Menlo Park School District
North Star Academy
Orion Alternative Elementary School
Redwood City Elementary School District
Roberto Cruz Leadership Academy
Russo/McEntee Academy
Russo/McEntee Academy
Ryan STEAM Academy
San Jose Unified School District
Santa Clara Unified School District
South San Francisco School District
Taft Elementary School
Tide Academy
Woodside High School
PARENT EDUCATION

The goal of the Parent Education Academy (PEA) is to increase the knowledge and engagement of Latinx parents in the involvement of their children’s education. Our PEA programs serve 1,000+ parents per year.

Our PEA partners are:
- Parent Institute for Quality Education (PIQE)
- Family Engagement Institute (FEI) at Foothill College
- Familias Unidas, United Through Education
- EveryoneOn (Aprendizaje Digital)
- Financial Literacy: Bank of America and Wells Fargo

99% of parent participants agreed they learned to inspire their children to go to college, are better prepared to have conversations about college with their children, and learned about financial aid, scholarships and other college resources.

Participant Breakdown

- # of Participants: 811
- # of Graduates: 622
At the elementary school level, our educational approach is dedicated to providing students with a robust foundation in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM). To achieve this goal, we have strategically aligned with Springboard Collaborative to help students boost reading skills while also strengthening family-educator relationships. As well, we partner with Science is Elementary to help us bridge the gap between children and access to exciting, high-quality science education.
GRADE 6–8

At the middle school level, we provide coding classes and math proficiency resources. We collaborate with Girls Who Code to offer 6th, 7th, and 8th graders the opportunity to learn about STEM through the lens of Latina STEM professionals.

We also collaborate with Silicon Valley Education Foundation to provide Elevate [Math] programs and Calculus Roundtable to provide Girls Mathletes clubs. The goal of these programs is to increase the number of students passing and meeting Common Core math standards in their next-level math class, to get them on a path for college and career success.

78% of graduates reported feeling confident with understanding new things about STEM after participating in Girls Who Code.
HIGH SCHOOL
College Prep | Quetzal Mama

At the high school level, our primary emphasis is on fostering college readiness and promoting Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) exposure among students.

In collaboration with Quetzal Mama a renowned national resource for students and families from historically underrepresented groups seeking exceptional college advice and support, we provide expert college admission coaching, comprehensive programs, and essential tools to deserving students and their families.

94% of students reported feeling confident about their abilities in writing about their accomplishments for college applications after one workshop with Quetzal Mama.

Participant Breakdown

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HFCSP CONVENING INITIATIVES

STEM Community Luncheon

This year, to celebrate Women’s History Month, the Hispanic Foundation collaborated with long-time partner Calculus Roundtable to host our first STEM Community Luncheon. Inviting STEM funders and community partners from both Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties, we gathered for an afternoon of networking and new insights. In conversation with one another, our featured panelists spoke to the importance of advocacy for STEM DEI efforts, family engagement, and representation in STEM-related fields.

53% of participants who completed our post-event survey reported that their first time visiting a museum was during our Community Day at the Tech Interactive.

Community Day at the Tech Interactive

To kickoff our Summer quarter, more than a dozen of our Hispanic Foundation participants and their families joined us for our Community Day at the Tech Interactive—a collaborative effort that sought to bring together HFSV families for a day filled with imaginative, immersive, science + technology learning and fun. Hosting spaces where families are exposed to STEM fields is crucial to our efforts toward empowering future generations and increasing the number of Latinos employed in the high-tech industry.
STEM FOR SUCCESS SCHOLAR CHATS

In our ongoing commitment to fostering excellence in STEM education, we are thrilled to share the remarkable success of our STEM for Success Scholar Chats, a collaborative initiative with The Foundation for Hispanic Education (TFHE) and their three high schools: Latino College Preparatory Academy, Roberto Cruz Leadership Academy, and Luis Valdez Leadership Academy.

88% of students reported having gained important tools, tips, and strategies to help them pursue a path to college.

Once a month, our programs team spotlights and interviews one of our own Latinos in Technology Scholars live across TFHE’s three high schools during the students advisory period. We have 600-800 students and teachers join the chats monthly. The purpose of the chats are to foster STEM curiosity, increase student’s knowledge of STEM careers, and strengthen their confidence in college and career readiness.

As Latinos pursuing degrees in STEM-related fields, our featured scholars spoke to the difficulties of navigating college as a first-generation student, having to finance their own degrees, and finding a reliable support system on campus.

91% of participants would recommend this chat series to other students.

These chats are an engaging way for high school students to learn what to expect in college, and get exposed to STEM fields.
The Eastside Education Initiative (EEI) has four pillars: Student, Family & Community Engagement, Core Subject Proficiency, College & Career Readiness, and Advocacy. The HFSV provides student, family and community engagement opportunities to promote a college and career readiness culture at the Mount Pleasant Elementary School District. We collaborate with our other EEI partners to provide college field trips, STEM College and Career Student Panels, Resource Fairs and more.

Since March of 2023, we have had 227 participants enroll in our PEAs. 92% of them reported understanding the importance of being engaged in their students’ education. Parents can enroll in classes such as:

- Parent Institute for Quality Education (PIQE)
- LEAF’s Puente
- Bridge to College
- Digital Literacy
- And more
Irma Castillo is a proud Mexican mother who has lived in East San Jose since 1997. Her three children have attended Ida Jew Academy, Mount Pleasant High School, and her youngest daughter, Emily, is a recent graduate from Silicon Valley Education Foundation’s Elevate Math summer course at Mount Pleasant High School.

Irma has consistently demonstrated her commitment to her children’s education by actively participating in their school through volunteering and employment. Despite her engagement, she found it challenging to comprehend the U.S. education system and navigate the college admission process. Enrolling in our courses, such as PIQE, proved transformative for Irma. She gained insights into the roles of school districts, administrators, and college requirements. Moreover, she acquired knowledge about seeking assistance when her child faces academic challenges. Empowered with a comprehensive understanding of her rights and responsibilities as a parent, Irma now feels confident in advocating for Emily’s education at both local and state levels. Our Eastside Education Initiative advocacy class has equipped her with the wisdom needed to effectively champion her child’s educational journey.

Irma’s biggest takeaway from participating in our parent education academies is that she can guide and support her daughter to and through college by using the communication skills and educational tools she learned. Irma learned there will be grants, scholarships and many other forms of financial aid available to her daughter. She realized that the opportunity to attend a university is possible and can exist in her family.

Irma thanks the Hispanic Foundation of Silicon Valley for investing in East San Jose because she believes access to resources is crucial for our Latino community to have the opportunity to feel empowered and capable of earning college degrees, professional careers and higher socioeconomic status. Thank you, HFSV!

- Irma Castillo
More about the Hispanic Foundation of Silicon Valley

Our mission is to inspire community philanthropy and engage people to invest in the Educational Excellence, Leadership Development, and Convening and Engaging of the Hispanic community to improve the quality of life for Latinos and the Silicon Valley region.

Educational Excellence
- Latinos in Technology Scholarship
- Parent Education Academy
- K-12 STEM Exposure
- College Readiness Workshops

Leadership Development
- Latinos Board Leadership Academy
- Board Match Night

Convening & Engaging Community
- The Hispanic Foundation Ball
- The Latino Report Card
- The Latinx Speaker Series

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