

# YOUTH DRIVING LEARNING



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# PROBLEM

Hundreds of schools  
Thousands of students  
The same patterns



## Going through the motions

- Bored.
- School is a place we come to be told what to do.
- If we just do well here, then we can do what we want later – maybe in college or when we're adults.

# LEARNING CHALLENGE



## What is it?

Youth define what they want to learn, how ever they want to learn it. We provide time, authority, \$500, and a Champion.

## Who qualifies as a challenger?

- ages 14-19
- lives in the U.S.
- lacks resources or opportunities
- has a passion

## What does a Champion do?

Belief - Interest - Thinking  
Keep Youth in the drivers seat!



## Topics:

- designing dolls
- publishing a book
- starting a business
- health care inequities
- beat-boxing
- theatre lighting
- voter registration
- sustainable clothing
- urban gardening



**32000+**  
**ALUMNI**

**“... a complete 180 ... I let myself be more open, I gave myself permission to make mistakes ... Before I would shut down and get angry. Now, I’m able to take advice, reflect, and learn and improve.”**

**– Former Challenger**



# OUR IMPACT



04

**Mindset**

Confidence, Direction, Desire

03

**Skills**

Reflection, Goal Setting, Regulation...

02

**Behaviors**

Seize, Create, Advocate, Spread

VERY IMPORTANT >

01

**YOUTH LOVE AND VALUE GRIPTAPE**



# CORNELL RESEARCH

70

constructs  
assessed  
during the  
research

FROM

550+

We have  
studied 550+  
teenagers over  
time

THIS

11,000

daily surveys  
spanning 70  
days per youth

DATA



## ENVIRONMENTAL MASTERY

feeling in control of one's responsibilities, able to select for optimization



## AUTONOMY

perceived independence, able to act against social pressures and shape environments



## SELF-ACCEPTANCE

confidence and happiness with oneself, ability to be at peace with most parts of the self

*Psychological Wellbeing*



# 2023: Another BIG Year



support 1000  
teenagers across the  
country



expanding our  
R&D Hub



support  
implementation  
partnerships

# APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN!



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our website up until  
September 30th.

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